

**Conference for Food Protection
2020 Issue Form**

Issue: 2020 I-035

Council Recommendation: Accepted as Submitted _____ Accepted as Amended _____ No Action _____

Delegate Action: Accepted _____ Rejected _____

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Issue History:

This is a brand new Issue.

Title:

When to Wash to Include Vaping

Issue you would like the Conference to consider:

Vaping is on the rise and it should be reflected in the Food Code as an incident that would require employee handwashing. The current code does not include vaping in 2-304.14 (D). (D) Except as specified in ¶ 2-401.11(B), after coughing, sneezing, using a handkerchief or disposable tissue, using tobacco, eating, or drinking; ^P

Public Health Significance:

Vaping is the act of inhaling and exhaling the aerosol, often referred to as vapor, which is produced by an e-cigarette or similar device. The term is used because e-cigarettes do not produce tobacco smoke, but rather an aerosol, often mistaken for water vapor, that actually consists of fine particles. Contamination of hands can occur through the act of vaping as it can when smoking.

Recommended Solution: The Conference recommends...:

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That a letter be sent to the FDA requesting that Section 2-304.14 (D) of the most current edition of the Food Code be amended as follows:

(D) Except as specified in ¶ 2-401.11(B), after coughing, sneezing, using a handkerchief or disposable tissue, using tobacco, eating, vaping, or drinking; ^P

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