

**Conference for Food Protection  
2016 Issue Form**

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**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:**

Clarifying Date Marking Disposition

**Issue you would like the Conference to consider:**

Subparagraph 3-501.18(A)(3) of the 2013 FDA Food Code refers to a food that is "appropriately marked with a date or day that exceeds" date marking timeframes. The word "appropriately" is confusing.

**Public Health Significance:**

Clarifying the Food Code can help with compliance.

**Recommended Solution: The Conference recommends...:**

a letter be sent to the FDA requesting the 2013 Food Code be amended as follows (language to be deleted is in strikethrough format):

3-501.18 Ready-to-Eat, Time/Temperature Control for Safety Food, Disposition.

(A) A FOOD specified in ¶ 3-501.17(A) or (B) shall be discarded if it:

(3) Is ~~appropriately~~ marked with a date or day that exceeds a temperature and time combination as specified in ¶ 3-501.17(A).<sup>P</sup>

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