

Title 9.12 Health and Food Safety

New Prepackaged non-potentially hazardous Food Product Establishments Requirements

As of July 2, 2014 the City of El Paso Department of Public Health-Food Inspection Program will no longer regulate Food Establishments that sell only prepackaged non-potentially hazardous food products.

For more information please visit the One Stop Shop located at 811 Texas Avenue, El Paso, Texas 79901 or call (915)-212-0104 or visit the website below.

City Development-One Stop Shop

<http://home.elpasotexas.gov/city-development/>

QA's:

Question: Will I need a Food Permit to sell prepackaged food.

Answer: No, you will no longer need a Food Permit if you are only selling prepackaged food items that are non-potentially hazardous foods.

Question: Will I need to get a License from the One Stop Shop to sell my prepackaged food items.

Answer: Yes, you will still need to obtain a License which will allow you to operate a commercial business. For details please visit City Development-One Stop Shop.

Question:

9.12-Food Handler Certification

QA's

Question: If I work in a store that only sells non-potentially, prepackaged food items, do I need do I need a Food Handler Certificate.

Answer: No, you will no longer need a Food Handler Certificate if are selling prepackaged items.

Question: I sell prepackaged items and also do a little food preparation such a sandwiches, nachos, and hot dogs, do I need a Food Permit.

Answer: Yes, you will need a Food Handler Certificate because you are now preparing food and you must wash your hands before you handle any types of foods. For more Information on taking a Food Handler Course, Please visit Department of Public Health at 5115 El Paso Dr. El Paso, Texas 79905 or call (915)-774-4570 or visit the below website.

Department of Public Health-Food Inspection Program.

<http://home.elpasotexas.gov/health/>

Questions: I work in a Processing Plant, Meat Distributor Plant, or Warehouse, do I need a Food Handler Certificate.

Answer: No, you are not required to a have a Food Handler Certificate. These establishments are regulated by the USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) and the State of Texas Department of Health.