



SACRAMENTO COUNTY
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

Food Display and Sampling



"THERE'S A STICK IN MINE..."



CA Retail Food Code

114060. Food display v

(a) Except for nuts in the shell and whole raw fruits and vegetables that are intended for hulling, peeling, or washing by the CONSUMER before consumption, FOOD on display shall be protected from contamination by the use of **PACKAGING, COUNTER, SERVICE LINE, OR SNEEZE GUARDS** that intercept a direct line between the CONSUMER's mouth and the FOOD being displayed, containers with **TIGHT-FITTING securely attached lids, display cases, mechanical dispensers, or other effective means.**



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Unsupervised PROTECTED Sampling



Sneeze guard



Closed lid

Prevents contamination



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Unsupervised & UNPROTECTED Sampling



No guard or lid to prevent CONTAMINATION



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(b) Non PREPACKAGED FOOD may be displayed and sold in bulk in other than self-service containers if both of the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1) The FOOD is **served by a FOOD EMPLOYEE directly to a CONSUMER.**
- (2) The FOOD is displayed **in clean, sanitary, and covered, or otherwise protected, containers.**



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Supervised Approved Sampling



Supervised & PREVENTS CONTAMINATION



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Supervised UNAPPROVED Sampling



Supervised but **PROMOTES CONTAMINATION**



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Take Home:

- Protect your samples from contamination by the food preparer and the public
- Create barriers
- Facilitate individual self-service
- Don't leave room for "double-dipping"!



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