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EXEMPT	
EH Permit ID: _____	
Fee: _____	Receipt: _____
Rcvd: _____	Date: _____

Application for Exemption from Food Service Permit – Fee \$35.00

Application must be received 14 days prior to first event. Upon approval, you will receive copy which must be posted in booth for the duration of event(s). Approved exemptions from permit expire December 31 each year.

☐ Check here to pay your permit fee by credit card over the phone. **Person & phone number to contact for credit card payment:**

Applicant Information:

Person in Charge: _____ Contact Phone: _____

Business/Organization Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Event Location: _____

Date/Time (or attach itinerary): _____

Foods to be served: (refer to exempt food list on other side)

Approved Kitchen or Source of Exempt Food:

Food Safety Information:

Food handlers are required to make sure food safety rules are followed. The applicant agrees to:

- ☐ Provide only the food items listed above.
- ☐ Obtain all food, water and ice from sources approved by the Health Officer.
- ☐ Provide acceptable handwashing facilities for employees.
- ☐ Provide suitable utensils, disposable single-use gloves or other barriers to eliminate bare hand contact with ready-to-eat foods and ice.
- ☐ Provide a bucket for bleach (or other approved sanitizer) and water for cleaning surfaces.
- ☐ Protect food and service items from contamination from the ground, patrons or environmental contaminants.
- ☐ Provide a valid food worker card for person in charge on site.
- ☐ Assure restrooms are available within 200 feet.
- ☐ Dispose of all wastewater (including graywater) in manner approved by Health Officer.
- ☐ Send volunteers/employees home if they are ill with vomiting, diarrhea, jaundice or persistent coughing or sneezing.

I understand that if I am found violating food safety rules I may be asked to stop operation.

Applicant signature: _____ Date: _____

SCPHD approval: _____ Date: _____ Waiver expires: _____



Temporary Food Service

List of Foods Exempt from Permit in Skagit County

There are foods that can be sold in Skagit County that do not require a Skagit County Department of Public Health permit.

Certain foods are exempt from permit because they generally do not support the growth of bacteria and are not handled by food workers as part of their preparation or service. It is important that all people involved in the production and sale of these foods maintain good personal hygiene (washing hands, using clean equipment), use disposable gloves or other barriers and have current Washington State Food Worker's Cards to ensure a safe product. All foods must be from an approved source.

FOODS PROCESSED OR PREPARED IN HOME KITCHENS MAY NOT BE SERVED OR SOLD IN SKAGIT COUNTY except for charity bake sales or WSDA-licensed cottage food operations.

Complete the application on the reverse side to determine if your food product is eligible for waiver of permit fee.

Allowable items for exemption from permit with approval under WAC 246-215-08305:

- Popcorn and flavored popcorn
- Cotton candy
- Dried herbs and spices processed in an approved facility
- Machine-crushed ice drinks containing non-potentially hazardous ingredients and dispensed from a self-contained machine that makes its own ice. This does not include shaved ice or snowcones or any TCS food.
- Corn on the cob
- Whole roasted peppers prepared for immediate service.
- Roasted nuts, roasted peanuts and roasted candy-coated nuts
- Chocolate-dipped ice cream bars prepared from pre-packaged, commercially produced ice cream bars.
- Chocolate-dipped bananas prepared from bananas peeled and frozen in an approved facility
- Individual samples of non-TCS sliced fruits and vegetables

Do not complete this application if your food operation is exempt from the definition of a food establishment. See [WAC 246-215-01115\(50\)\(c\)](#) for a complete list or email us at EH@co.skagit.wa.us.

All other food service in Skagit County not specifically exempted by definition or under an approved exemption must have a valid food establishment permit. Visit www.skagitcounty.net/Food for more information.