



# COVID-19 FOOD SAFETY STANDARDS

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## Recommended Safety Procedures for Compliant Restaurants & Staff:

- Require anyone with COVID-19 symptoms to stay at home, out of the kitchen, and out of delivery vehicles.
- Go beyond cleaning and sanitizing food preparation surfaces to cleaning and disinfecting them with agents proven to kill the COVID-19 virus on contact.
- Delivery personnel must be instructed to leave orders on the porch or outside the front door and then using sound or texting to let customers know they are there. This touchless transfer requires that all menu charges and tips must be pre-paid online in advance by credit card.
- Delivery personnel must carry and use hand sanitizer between each and every drop-off.



## Recommended Safety Procedures for Delivery customers:

- Order through an online ordering system to facilitate no-contact delivery (phone ordering often requires a credit card slip signature).
- Transfer food received from its packaging on to your own plate.
- Throw away the packaging, the bag, and everything inside the bag including utensils.
- And most importantly, before eating, wash your hands with soap and water after unpacking the delivery.



## Recommended Safety Procedures for Takeout customers:

- Order through an online ordering system to facilitate minimum-contact pickup (phone ordering often requires a credit card slip signature).
- Carry hand sanitizer with you and use it immediately after picking food up from the restaurant.
- Transfer food received from its packaging to a plate when you get home.
- Throw away the packaging, the bag, and everything inside the bag including utensils
- And most importantly, before eating, wash your hands with soap and water after unpacking the delivery.