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Press Release

Food Safety at Public Events

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Are you planning a temporary event for a local charity or organization? Does that event involve the serving of food to the public? If you answered yes, then you want to talk to the new Director of Health for the Town of Killingworth, Paul Hutcheon.

Organizers of temporary events that include serving food to the public (fairs, festivals etc.) will need to complete an application for a Temporary Food Event License. The application is available on the Town of Killingworth web site as a downloadable form on the Health Department home page, along with a Temporary Food Event Guide.

The Director of Health will review the application and provide guidance on compliance with the requirements for serving food to the public at temporary events. There are CT Public Health Code regulations that address the source of the food served, and how it is stored, prepared and served. Applicants will be asked to provide a list of the menu items, identify where the food will be purchased and how they intend to prepare and serve the items. The intent is to ensure that the food is from a safe source, and properly stored, prepared, cooked and served. There is a focus on personal hygiene/hand washing, food handling/temperatures, and prevention of cross contamination between raw and cooked/ready to eat foods.

The application for a Temporary Food Event License and the Temporary Food Event Guide are available on the Health Department home page, <http://www.townofkillingworth.com/offices/health.html>. For additional information please contact the Killingworth Health Department at (860) 663-1765, x223.

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