## **Temporary Food Establishment**

A Temporary Food Establishment (TFE) is a food establishment, which operates at a fixed location for a temporary period of time <u>not to exceed 14 consecutive days.</u>

## What are the rules and regulations regarding TFEs?

An event that is advertised with fliers, banners, newspaper articles, radio or TV announcements, or by any other means, regardless of whether or not a fee is charged is considered a *Public Event*, and

therefore....

However. . . .

Subject to the Sanitary
Food Code requirements
enforced by the Health
Department

Church gatherings, club or organizational meetings and private events that are for members ONLY, are NOT advertised and are FREE to attend, are *not considered public events* 

To determine if your event qualifies as a TFE, ask yourself. . . . .

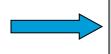
Is your event open to the public?

- > Are you advertising your event (on the radio or TV, with fliers or banners, in the newspaper)?
- > Are you selling tickets to attend the food event?
- > Are you planning to sell food and/or beverages?
  - A yes answer to any of the above question

You will need a TFE permit

To obtain a Temporary Food Establishment Permit Application Packet, please stop by the New Bedford Health Department, 1213 Purchase Street, New Bedford.

If you have questions, please call 508-991-6199 Completed applications should be submitted ..........



No less than 14 days prior to the event date.

\* The Temporary Food Event permit fee for a one-day event is \$75.00. A \$25.00 fee will be assessed for each additional day up to 14 days effective Feb 16, 2012. \* Prior to issuing a permit the Regulatory Authority is responsible for performing a pre-operational operational plan review and site inspection to determine if the establishment is safe and sanitary.

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