

ServSafe Practice Exam

- 1. Ready-to-eat time/temperature control for safety (TCS) must be date marked if it will be held under refrigeration for more than how many hours?
 - a. 12
 - b. 24
 - c. 48
 - d. 72
- 2. Where should cleaning supplies be stored?
 - a. In a location away from food prep areas
 - b. In the dry-storage area
 - c. On the bottom shelf of the walk-in cooler
 - d. On top of the dishwasher
- 3. Garbage containers used by an operation should be
 - a. Odor proof, damage resistant, and light in color.
 - b. Leak proof, waterproof, and easy to clean.
 - c. Durable, absorbent, and corrosion resistant.
 - d. Pest proof, smooth, and made of metal.
- 4. Which must be washed before being prepped for service?
 - a. Green onions
 - b. Shell eggs
 - c. Dry pasta
 - d. Raw meat
- 5. A recent delivery of eggs has been recalled in response to a foodborne-illness outbreak. The manager should
 - a. Remove the eggs from inventory and mark them with a sign stating "do not use"
 - b. Remove the eggs from inventory and throw them in the garbage container.
 - c. Leave the eggs in the cooler and use them only for baking
 - d. Leave the eggs in the cooler and not use them until the regulatory authority inspects them.

- 11. What is the best way to prevent foodborne illness?
 - a. Cooking chicken to 160F
 - b. Washing hands after using the restroom
 - c. Storing pans on the floor for easy access
 - d. Using one knife to chop raw poultry and then raw onions
- 12. At which sink should garbage containers be washed and rinsed?
 - a. Food-pre
 - b. Handwashing
 - c. Three-compartment
 - d. Service
- 13. When a critical control point is NOT met, a food handler must first
 - a. Verify the procedure
 - b. Take corrective action
 - c. Notify the regulatory authority
 - d. Revise the training plan
- 14. Single- use gloves must be worn by a food handler when he or she
 - a. Is prepping food that will be cooked prior to service
 - b. Is correctly washing produce in the food prep sink
 - c. Rotates canned goods in storage
 - d. Has an open would on one of his or her hands.
- 15. A cross-connection can occur when
 - a. Overhead pipes connected to the air conditioner begin to leak.
 - b. Grease builds up around pipes.
 - c. A faucet extends below the flood rim of a sink.
 - d. An air gap is located under the equipment sink.
- 16. To prevent food in a self-service area from becoming contaminated by guests, an operation should
 - a. Ensure that guests use only one plate.
 - b. Require food handlers to monitor the self-service area
 - c. Post allergen information around the self-service area.
 - d. List all the ingredients in each menu item.

•	being washed in a three-compartment sink. Some food bits are stuck to the pan. To e pan correctly
a.	Soak the pan in warm water, wash it in a detergent solution, rinse, and air-dry.
b.	Scrape the pan, wash it in a detergent-sanitizer solution, rinse, and air-dry.

a. b. c. d.	
23. Dairy p	roducts, other than milk, must be received at or below
a.	32F
b.	35F
c.	41F
d.	45F
24. Which	organization requires SDS to be kept in a location accessible to all employees?
a.	OSHA
b.	FDA
c.	HACCP
d.	USDA
25. Ice for	use as a food or cooling medium must be
a.	Made from drinkable water
b.	Commercially processed
c.	Frozen for a minimum of 24 hours
d.	Small in diameter
26. When below	using running water as a method of thawing food, the water temperature should be at o
a.	41F
b.	70F
c.	125F
d.	135F
27. Cold-h	olding equipment should keep food at or below a maximum temperature of

a.	0 F
b.	10 F
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c. 32 F d. 41 F

a.	Infector			
b.	Transporter			
c.	Carrier			
d.	Host			
35. The thi	rd compartment in a three-compartment sink is for			
a.	Rinsing			
b.	Sanitizing			
C.	Cleaning			
d.	Sterilizing			
36. Food, water, and shelter will not attract insects and rodents if recyclables are stored in a(n)				
a.	Dry-storage room			
b.	Garbage compactor area			
c.	Clean, pest-proof container			
d.	Chemical storage unit			
37. Highly	susceptible populations include			
a.	Individuals who eat raw or undercooked food from a home kitchen			
b.	Anyone that has eaten food that has been contaminated and has symptoms of a			
	foodborne illness			
C.	Young children and people with compromised immune systems			
d.	College and university students who share common housing			
38. Cross-contamination may occur when a food handler				
a.	Places dirty dishes used by different customers in the same dishwasher rack			
b.	Chops fresh herbs on the same cutting board as vegetables that will be served raw			
C.	Carries raw vegetables and raw ground beef together on the same tray			
d.	Uses separate utensils for serving grilled chicken and steamed carrots			
	ne/temperature control for safety (TCS) food received at which temperature can be			
accept	ed			
a.	130 F			
b.	132 F			
C.	134 F			
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34. An individual who is infected with pathogens but shows no signs of illness is called a(n)

d. 137 F

46. /	A hose is connected to a faucet to fill a bucket, then left submerged in the bucket	while it fills.
٦	This is a risk to the water supply because	

- a. The bucket ma overflow
- b. A cross-connection has been created
- c. The flood rim is compromised
- d. An air gap has been created

47. A variance from the local health authority is required when

- a. Cooking steak to less than 145 F
- b. Reheating food on a steam table to 165 F
- c. Using unpasteurized eggs for baked goods
- d. Displaying live molluscan shellfish in a tank

48. Who is responsible for reporting employee health issues to the appropriate authorities?

- a. Employee
- b. Physician
- c. Inspector
- d. Person in charge

49. Which date should be placed on the label of leftover pasta salad?

- a. The Friday following the day it was prepped
- b. The last serving day of the month
- c. The day the ingredients were received from the vendor
- d. The day it should be discarded

50. Before food handlers enter the prep area, the manager should make sure that all food handlers are wearing clean uniforms and have

- a. Their beards neatly trimmed
- b. No polish on false nails
- c. A limited amount of jewelry
- d. Their hair restrained

51. Cooked rice should be held at a minimum temperature of

- a. 135 F
- b. 145 F
- c. 155 F
- d. 165 F

- 58. To prevent pests from entering an operation, doors that open to the outside should have
 - a. Lead or steel filling
 - b. Pass-card security
 - c. Pest strips installed
 - d. Tight-fitting seals
- 59. An example of a corrective action is
 - a. Reusing utensils for each new task
 - b. Serving food on a buffet that is below 165 F
 - c. Using the same equipment for raw food and ready-to-eat food.
 - d. Reheating food on a buffet that is below 135 F
- 60. The group responsible for the inspection and grading of meat is the
 - a. FDA
 - b. USDA
 - c. Local health department
 - d. Management of the processing plant
- 61. What is a potential contamination source that could result in foodborne illness at an outdoor, temporary serving location?
 - a. A cotton towel used to hold hot handles
 - b. Dirt floors in the food prep areas
 - c. Food cooked outdoors on a charcoal grill
 - d. Used facial tissues kept in an apron
- 62. A food handler is prepping a melon garnish. The food handler pulls the melon from the cooler and then washes, slices, and plates the melon. At what point in the process must the food handler put on gloves?
 - a. Before pulling the melon from the cooler
 - b. After pulling the melon from the cooler and before washing it
 - c. After washing the melon and before slicing it
 - d. After slicing the melon and before plating it

- 69. Which is a way to prevent contamination of hot food on display in a self-service area?
 - a. Providing a handwashing sink for customers
 - b. Providing fresh plates for return visits by customers
 - c. Assigning food handlers to follow customers through the self-service area
 - d. Posting strongly worded signs about inappropriate customer behavior
- 70. Which would be the best way to prevent the parasite giardia duodenalis from infecting foods?
 - a. Using safe water supplies
 - b. Not using home-canned food
 - c. Not cooking with wild mushrooms
 - d. Using pasteurized milk
- 71. Which statement is correct about outdoor waste containers?
 - a. They must be made of anti-rust material.
 - b. They must have tight-fitting lids
 - c. They need to be minimum size
 - d. They should be cleaned inside and out annually
- 72. What negative outcome does the frequent cleaning of non-food contact surfaces prevent?
 - a. Development of odors
 - b. Build-up of soil residues
 - c. Unappealing appearance
 - d. Growth of microorganisms
- 73. Which food would be safe to serve to a highly susceptible population?
 - a. Poached eggs
 - b. Chocolate sauce
 - c. Medium-rare steak
 - d. Alfalfa sprouts
- 74. Which of the following is evidence of deliberate tampering of food?
 - a. Food employees are handling ready to eat foods with bare hands
 - b. Labels are missing from food containers
 - c. Sulfites are added to prevent browning of lettuce
 - d. Seal or wrapper is missing from a food container

- 81. When an operation is notified of a food item recall, the manager must
 - a. Report the recall to the USDA and notify the local regulatory authority
 - b. Report the recall to the FDA and close the operation immediately
 - c. Separate recalled food in an area away from other food and equipment
 - d. Post a sign in the operation warning customers of the recall
- 82. A food worker is not sure when the dry-storage area needs to be cleaned. What can be done to find out when to clean it?
 - a. Wait until told to clean it
 - b. Check the master cleaning schedule
 - c. Review the cleaning duty roster worksheet
 - d. Find out when the next inspection is scheduled
- 83. According to the FDA Food Code, how long must shellfish identification tags be kept on file?
 - a. 90 days after the container is emptied
 - b. 90 day after delivery from the supplier
 - c. 90 days after harvesting from the shipper
 - d. 90 days after serving to the customer
- 84. Besides chlorine, what are the chemical sanitizers approved for operations?
 - a. Ammonia and isopropyl alcohol
 - b. Hydrogen peroxide and quaternary ammonium
 - c. Iodine and quaternary ammonium
 - d. Isopropyl alcohol and hydrogen peroxide
- 85. Parasites are most likely to be found in incorrectly frozen
 - a. Beef
 - b. Vegetables
 - c. Juice
 - d. Fish
- 86. Consuming predatory fish such as grouper may cause food borne illness if the fish has
 - a. Histamine
 - b. Ciguatera
 - c. Parasites
 - d. Caught illegally