AFDO STRIVES TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY BY WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS, ADVOCATING WITH A UNIFIED VOICE TO MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON FOOD AND MEDICAL PRODUCT SAFETY LAWS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS.

AFDO Releases Food Salvage Guide

Tons of food are kept from the landfill and used to feed those in the United States that are not food-stable each day. But just as important to feeding those who benefit, is feeding them safely. Guidelines help those who can participate in food recycling programs see the benefits and minimize the risks often believed to be associated with such programs.

More than 20 years ago, the Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO), in conjunction with Feeding America and Grocery Manufacturers Association (GMA), wrote the initial guide to food salvaging safety and have just finished a complete update that includes new standards and expanded categories as food reclamation and recycling continues to grow in popularity and need. The Food Sorting Guidance and Model Consumer Commodity Salvage Code is available now on both www.afdo.org/publications and through new AFDO app available free through the app stores for Apple or Android. Read the full press release (https://bit.ly/2MHD5L9)

Conversations with AFDO – Podcast Series Launched!

AFDO is launching a new Podcast series in September. Season one will consist of 12 episodes which will be released every two weeks on the on the 1st and 16th of the month.

The series will include chats from guests speakers and
cover a wide range of topics in the food and drug industry.

Don't miss our first chat on the new Food Sorting Guidance and Model Consumer Commodity Salvage Code and how it relates to the food bank community. Guest speaker, Mitzi Baum from Feeding America will giving us her input on the topic.

Keep an eye out for a special announcement!

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**The Passing of Earl Edsel Moore**


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**The Story of Your Dinner Helps You Reach Consumers**

Your community will love these new *The Story of Your Dinner* ([https://bit.ly/2fiV84Q](https://bit.ly/2fiV84Q)) resources!

All through September and into the holiday season we'll be highlighting resources that support your work to bring awareness around safe food handling at home.

These great resources are available now for social sharing and download!

- Delicious [new recipes and videos](https://bit.ly/2wxYX0H) that include food safety steps
- New [activity sheets](https://bit.ly/2wcyN4e) for kids
- A [press release template](https://bit.ly/2wTZC5h) to help you get attention of local media
- Colorful [graphics](https://bit.ly/2PTZC5h) for your website and social media channels

You’ll find much more — [take a look!](https://bit.ly/2fiV84Q)

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**FDA NEWS**

**FDA Advises Consumers to Avoid Eating, Drinking, or Handling Food Products Prepared with Liquid Nitrogen at the Point of Sale**

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration alerts consumers and retailers of the potential for serious injury from eating, drinking, or handling food products prepared with liquid nitrogen at the point of sale.
drinking, or handling food products prepared by adding liquid nitrogen at the point of sale, immediately before consumption. These products are often marketed under the names "Dragon's Breath," "Heaven's Breath," "nitro puff" and other similar names. Read more... (https://bit.ly/2MGfAC7)

AFDO has submitted two resolutions to FDA asking for further advice on the use of liquid nitrogen in both 2018 and 2016. Links to the resolutions are following.


2016 AFDO Resolution: Liquid Nitrogen and Dry Ice use as Food and Beverage Ingredients (https://bit.ly/2onVnT8)

In the FDA's 2016 Response to the resolution FDA had indicated further dialogue was needed before regulatory action should be taken.

OTHER CONFERENCE NEWS

Call For Topics - AFDO Conference

AFDO is looking for topic ideas for the 2019 AFDO Annual Educational Conference (http://www.afdo.org/AFDO-2019)! Your feedback is appreciated. Please submit your suggestions (https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XZMFWCG) on any topics you would like to see presented at the AFDO Conference.

The 2019 AFDO Annual Educational Conference will be held in Atlanta, GA, June 22-26, 2019. We hope to see you all there!

AFDOSS 2018 Annual Education Conference is Fast Approaching!

The AFDOSS 2018 Annual Education Conference (http://www.afdoss.org/conferences/2018-afdoss-aec/) is happening Sunday, Sept. 9 through Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2018 at The Park Vista – A Hilton Doubletree Hotel in Gatlinburg, Tenn. Registration is open, and sponsorships are available! This event is open to any and all food safety professionals and policy makers in local/state/federal government, industry and academic sectors.

Visit the AFDOSS Website (http://www.afdoss.org/conferences/2018-afdoss-aec/) to register or for more information on the agenda, room block, Live Auction, and more!

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Preventive Controls for Human Foods and
Foreign Supplier Verification Programs

Preventive Controls for Human Foods Course (PCQI)
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Foreign Supplier Verification Programs Course (FSVP)
Course Information
Course Schedule

EAS Training Opportunities

Dietary Supplement Good Manufacturing Practices Seminar with a Special Section on Applying GMP Concept so the Cannabis Industry
September 26-27, 2018, Dallas, Texas

LAWS AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE UPDATES

Laws and Regulations Committee Update

Update from 8/27 - 8/31, 2018

A collection of current food, drug, device, and consumer product regulatory issues and news