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FDA Food Code Requirements for ROP

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Food Code Requires Variance & HACCP Plan for Specialized Processing Methods



- · Smoking food for preservation (not flavor)
- Curing food
- Using food additives or adding components such as vinegar
 - As a method of food preservation
 - To render a food non-TCS



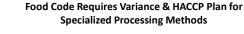
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- · Operating a molluscan shellfish display tank. · Custom processing animals for
- personal use.
- Sprouting seeds or beans.
- Any method determined by the RA to require a variance.

a ROP method except where C. bot. and L. mono. are controlled under § 3-502.12.



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Packaging TCS food using



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FDA ROP Food Code Definition The reduction of the amount of oxygen in a COMPOSITION OF AIR AT SEA LEVEL

FDA **Vacuum Packaging** Vacuum packaging - Air is removed from a package - The package is hermetically sealed so that a vacuum remains inside the package.

Modified Atmosphere (MAP) & **Controlled Atmosphere Packaging (CAP)**

Modified atmosphere packaging (MAP)

- Atmosphere of a package of food is modified so that its composition is different from air.
- Atmosphere may change over time
 permeability of the packaging
 respiration of the food.

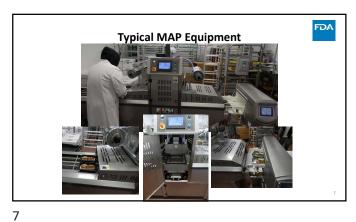
- MAP includes
 Reduction in the % of oxygen Total replacement of oxygen,
- Increase in the proportion of other gases (carbon dioxide, nitrogen)
- Controlled atmosphere packaging (CAP)
- Modified so that until the package is opened, its composition is different from air, and continuously controlled
 - Using oxygen scavengers or
 - a combination of total replacement of oxygen, nonrespiring food, and impermeable packaging material.

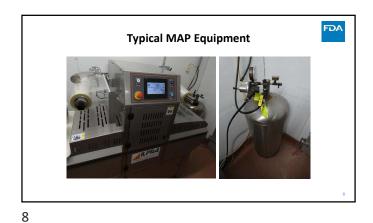
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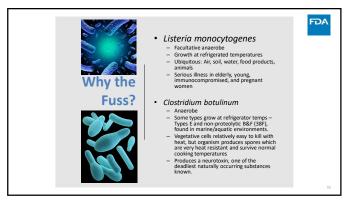






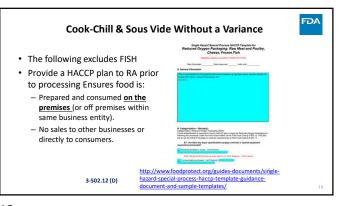
FDA **Sous Vide Packaging:** in which raw or partially cooked food is vacuum packaged in an impermeable bag, cooked in the bag, rapidly chilled, and refrigerated at temperatures that inhibit the growth of psychrotrophic pathogens.

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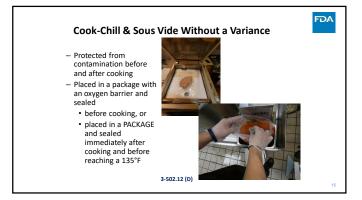


FDA **ROP** •AW of 0.91 or less
 •PH of 4.6 or less
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 •MAT or POULTRY product cured at a FOOD PROCESSING
PLANT regulated by the USDA
 •COOD with a high level of competing organisms such as raw
 MEAT, raw POULTRY, or raw vegetables without a variance: 3-502.12 **HACCP Plan Required**

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Cook-Chill & Sous Vide Without a Variance

• Cooled to 5°C (41°F) in the sealed package per the Code and:

- Held at 41°F ≤7 days and consumed or discarded; or

- Cooled to 34°E within 48 hrs, of reaching 41°F; removed from 34°F, and maintained at 41°F ≤7 days (can't exceed 30 days);

- Held frozen with no shelf-life restriction while frozen.

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FDA Other Requirements • Labeled with product name & Operational procedures: date packaged. - Prohibit BHC with RTE Maintain cooling and cold - Designated work area - Cleaning/sanitizing procedures holding records for 6 mos. for regulatory review. · Training program - Concepts for safe operation - Equipment use & operational procedures 3-502.12 (D)

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- · A HACCP Plan is not required for ROP packaging methods to package TCS food that is always:
 - (1) Labeled with the production time and date,
 - (2) Held at 5°C (41°F) or less during refrigerated storage, and
 - (3) Removed from its package in the food establishment within 48 hours after packaging.

Not FISH



3-502.11 (F)

FDA Possible Additional Sous Vide Equipment

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Question 1

With this type of ROP, cooked food is hot filled into impermeable bags that are then sealed or crimped closed. The bagged food is rapidly chilled and refrigerated.

- A) Vacuum Packaging
- B) Cook chill
- C) Sous vide
- D) Controlled atmosphere packaging (CAP)

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Question 2

With this type of ROP method, air is removed from a package of food and the package is $% \left\{ \left(1\right) \right\} =\left\{ \left(1\right)$ hermetically sealed so that a vacuum remains inside the package.

- A) Vacuum Packaging
- B) Cook chill
- C) Sous vide
- D) Modified atmosphere packaging (MAP)

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Question 3

In this type of ROP packaging, raw or partially cooked food is vacuum packaged in an impermeable bag, cooked in the bag, rapidly chilled, and refrigerated.

- A) Vacuum Packaging
- B) Cook chill
- C) Sous vide
- D) Modified atmosphere packaging (MAP)

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Question 4

Retail establishments may use ROP methods on TCS foods without a variance if the provisions of 3-502.12 (B) are followed exactly as written and it is a food with a high level of competing organisms such as raw meat, raw poultry, raw vegetables, or fresh raw fish.

- True
- False

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Question 5

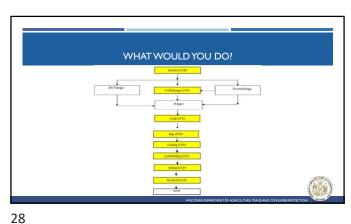
For preparation without a variance, Cook-chill and sous vide products must be cooked according to time/temperatures as specified under 3-401.11 (A), (B), and (C) unless a consumer advisory is provided as detailed in 3-603.11.

- True
- False

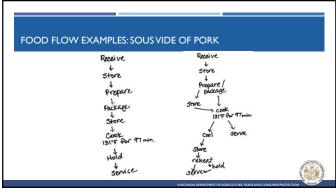
HACCP Plan Validation, Review and Approval
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FOOD FLOW EXAMPLES

Receive → Store → Prepare→ Package → Store → Cook → Hold → Serve

1. Receive
2. Store
3. Prepare
4. Package
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6. Cook
7. Hold
8. Serve

Frequency Prepare → Prepare → Prepare → Prepare → Prepare → Prepare → Then, we prepare the product in ROP.

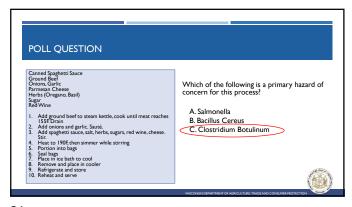
We store the product in ROP packaging.

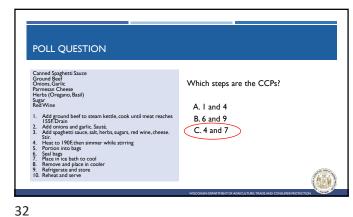
Then, we cook the product to 131 °F for 91 minutes.

We hold the product in a steam table above 135 °F.

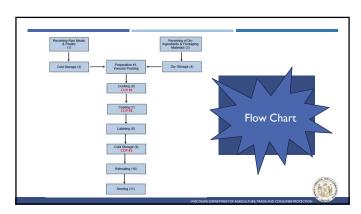
Then, we serve it.

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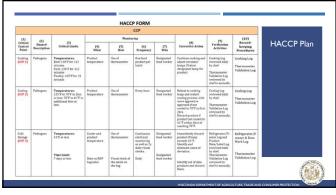




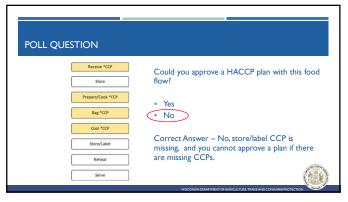


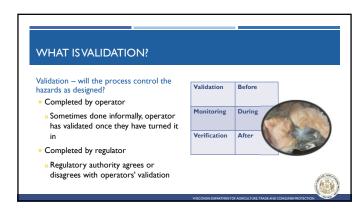
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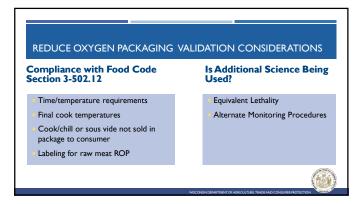
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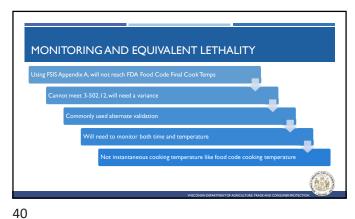


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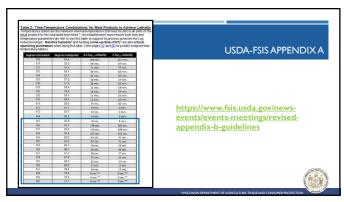


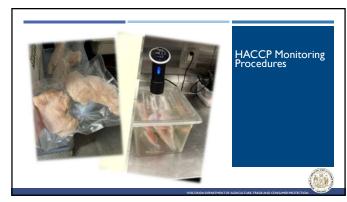






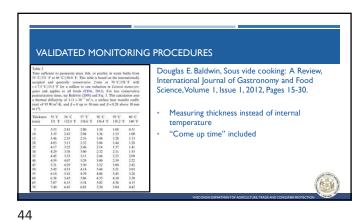
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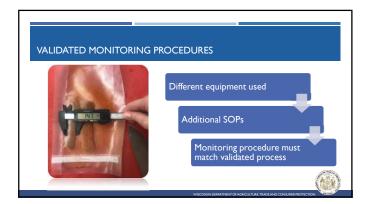


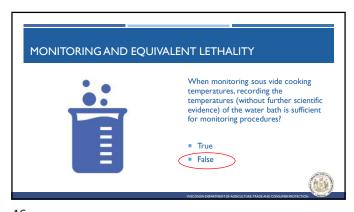


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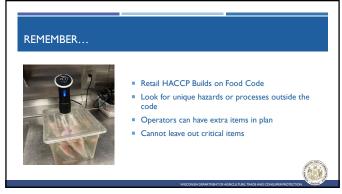








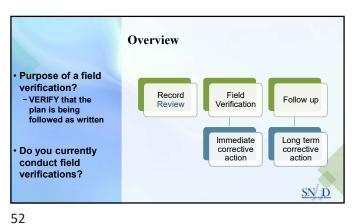




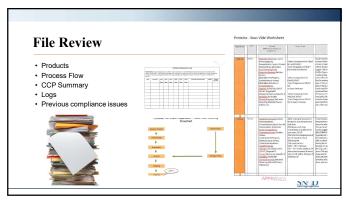








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