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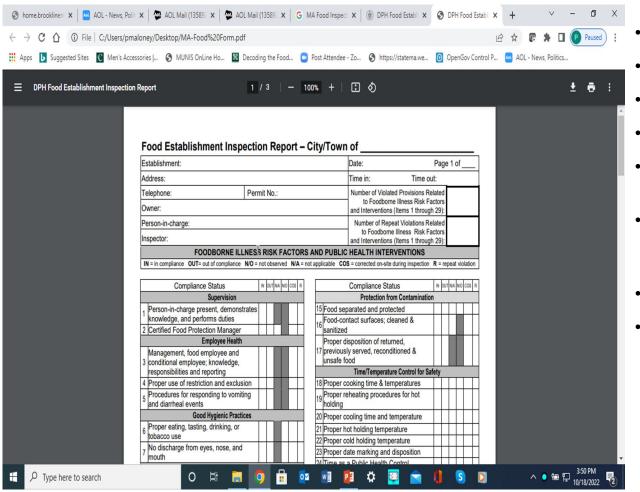
- Recommended Tools for Food Inspections and Audits
- •NSF or Equivalent What does that mean?
- Calibration
- Some interesting challanges
- Where to obtain equipment
- Additional Resources



^{*} Purchase Certified Testing Equipment

NSF or Equivalent?





- Complete the inspection form It is a legal document
- Document type of inspection (Routine, Re-inspection, Complaint)
- Number the pages 1 of 5
- Document start end time
- Document compliance times and re-inspection (P 72 Hrs, Pf 10 Days, C 90 Days)
- Document type of operation (Food Est, Retail, Limited Retail, School, Temp Food, Mobile Food, Catering, Nursing Home, Hospital, Farmers Market
- Signature of PIC and Date
- Description of violations in Observation and Corrective Actions
 - Area of grill needs to be cleaned Area of grill has excessive grease, grime, and encrusted old food matter build-up.
 - Rodent activity found in kitchen Fresh rodent droppings (TNTC) or (greater than 50) found in main kitchen food preparation area, food contact surfaces, cutting boards, food equipment on meat slicer and in draws under prep table containing food prep knives and utensils

Thermometers





Thermocouple Thermometers



Infrared Thermometers





Maximum Registering Thermometers





More Maximum Registering Devices





T-Stick Disposable Thermometers



Thermometer Probe Wipes





Flashlights – LED and UV



Tape Measure and Phone with Photo Option



Light Meter and pH Tester





Calibration Buffer Set for the H138 miniLab Meter. Includes three 15 mL dropper bottles of each buffer.

Electrical Tester and Hair Restraint





Chemical Test Strips

When to Calibrate



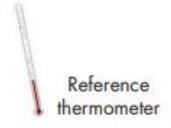
When to Calibrate

- When thermometer is new
- If thermometer is dropped or damaged
- If thermometer not used in a long time
- FDA Standardization Officer Guide Before each Standardization
- If under extreme temperature use
- Follow device instructions recommendations
- Monthly in house Yearly Certified Lab
- Record/log your results in a binder

HOW:

- Bimetal calibration nut
- Digital reset button
- If inaccurate and cannot calibrate Do Not Use

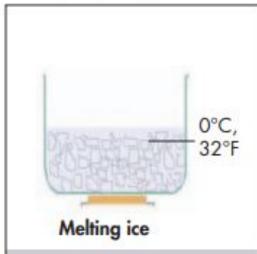
Melting Ice Calibration



How to Calibrate a Dial Thermometer Melting Ice Calibration

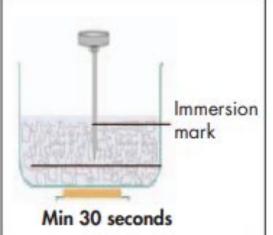
(for low temperature application)





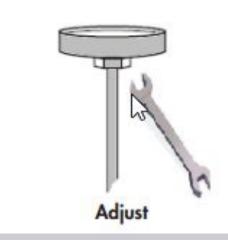
Step 1

Fill a large glass with ice-water slurry. Stir well. Wait until it reaches the freezing/ melting temperature of fresh water, 0°C (32°F).



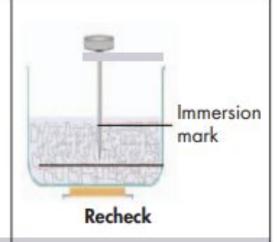
Step 2

Place the thermometer to calibrate in the water. Wait at least 30 seconds or until the temperature is stable. Avoid touching the bottom of the container.



Step 3

Use a wrench to turn the adjusting nut until the thermometer reads 0°C (32°F).

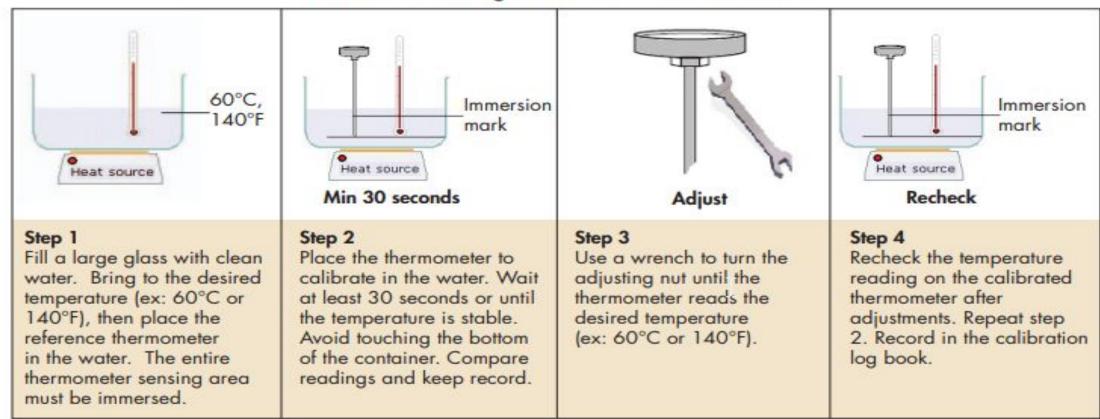


Step 4

Recheck the temperature reading on the calibrated thermometer after adjustments. Repeat step 2. Record in the calibration log book.

Hot Method with Reference Thermometer

Calibration Using a Reference Thermometer



*Boiling Water 212 f

Some interesting challenges

•Kosher - Halal Establishment Inspections

Allergen Free Establishments

Language Barriers During Inspections

Equipment Suppliers and More Resources

Chemical Test Strips:

https://www.microessentiallab.com

Thermal Paper and Thermometers and More:

https://stores.baileysteststripsandthermometers.com/

Food Safety Equipment:

https://www.thermoworks.com/

https://www.sanjamar.com/product-categories/measurement-tools/themometers/digital-thermometers/

Inspector Equipment:

https://inspectusa.com/index.php

https://www.batteryjunction.com/ Flood)
(Maloney's Flashlight - UV and

Resources

Massachusetts Food Safety Guides and Resources

https://www.mass.gov/lists/retail-food#inspection-tools-

- U of Rhode Island Food Safety Program Thermometer Guide: https://web.uri.edu/foodsafety/kitchen-thermometers/#:~:text=Thermocouples%20measure%20temperature%20at%20the,the%20food%20is%20thoroughly%20cooked.
- FDA Standardization Officers Guide:

https://www.fda.gov/media/155353/download

FDA Food Code Annex:

THANK YOU!!!

•Did you learn something today????

•Questions??????