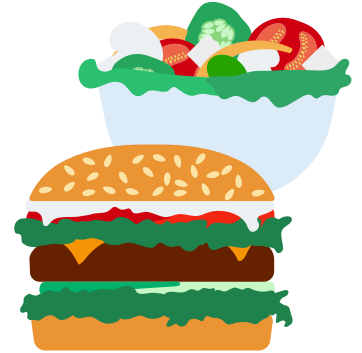


» No Bare Hand Contact

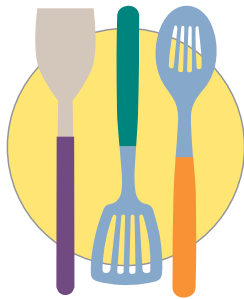
The Rhode Island Food Code (3-301.11) does **not** allow bare hand contact with ready-to-eat (RTE) food. RTE food is served without extra preparation, such as cooking to make it safe. RTE food includes sandwiches, salads and bread. By law, food service workers **must** use suitable utensils when handling RTE food.



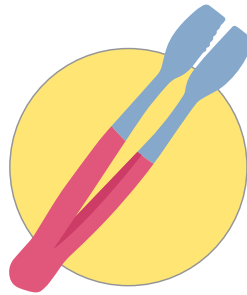
Suitable utensils include:



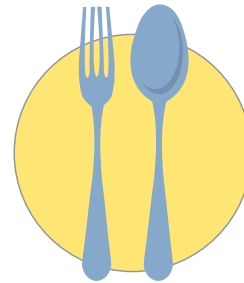
Deli tissue



Spatulas



Tongs



Forks and other serving utensils



Single-use, non-latex gloves



Single-use glove guidelines

- Do not use gloves instead of washing your hands!
- Wash hands before putting on gloves
- Use gloves for one task only, such as handling RTE foods
- Wash hands between glove changes
- Throw gloves away if they become torn or soiled
- Do not use fabric or re-usable gloves to handle RTE foods

