Producing, processing and handling food



## **Transporting food**



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## What do you need to know?

- If a food needs to be kept under temperature or humidity control to stop bugs from growing to levels that will make people sick, it is important to make sure temperature/ humidity is kept constant through the whole chain including while being transported.
- While food is being transported, the vehicle it's being transported in should be considered a food premises or food room - keep it clean and separate food as you would in a kitchen or store room.
- If you are contracting someone else to transport food, you need to check that they are a registered food business.
- Food and non-food goods need to be kept separate.
- Only use vehicles suitable for the type and amount of food being transported.

## Why is it important to transport food and drink safely?

• Food or drink can become unsafe at any point in the supply chain, including during transport.



## What do you need to do?

- If transporting food that must be kept cold always use (tick which one you/your staff use):
  - a freezer/chiller vehicle
  - a chilly bin with ice blocks in an insulated container



other (write the method you/your staff use here: )

- All parts of the vehicle that you use to transport food or food equipment must be clean (and sanitised if going to be in direct contact with ready-to-eat food).
- Always transport and deliver food at the correct temperature:
  - keep frozen food frozen,
  - transport chilled food cold (at or below 5°C) and monitor this regularly (using a thermometer or equivalent),
  - transport hot food hot (above 60°C),
  - only deliver food in the temperature danger zone (5°C-60°C) if it's going to be eaten within 4 hours of entering the temperature danger zone.
- Control and check humidity or atmosphere conditions where this is required to keep food safe.



What do you need to show?

- Show your verifier:
  - how you check food is kept at the correct temperature and/or humidity when being transported,
  - how you control temperatures and keep foods separate while transporting food,
  - your vehicle(s) used for transporting food.
- Your verifier will ask to see your temperature and/or humidity **records** for each transport vehicle and transport run, where these are required to be controlled.

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