



INSPECTIONS AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Quarterly Update

DATCP

- FCHD is starting another permit cycle of the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) Fiscal year 2023-2024. This program runs July 1-June 30 each year.
- There continues to be county-wide establishment updates, including new food service entrepreneurs and an increase in short term rentals!
- DATCP establishments owners noticed an increase in permit fees in the recent 2023-2024 renewals. This is partly due to the state of Wisconsin's increase to agent counties. **Reminder to pay before July 15th to avoid an \$85 late fee!**



DNR

- The 2023 Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Drinking Water and Groundwater Program inspection year is in full swing. The program manages activities that affect the safety, quality and availability of drinking water to protect public health and water resources. These include restaurants, campgrounds, town houses and churches not on the public water system. The DNR Drinking Water and Groundwater Program runs calendar year (Jan-Dec).
- During annual DNR inspections, FCHD staff collect drinking water. Samples are tested for bacteria and nitrate.



REMINDER for RETAIL FOOD OWNERS & OPERATORS!

Don't let your Certified Food Protection Manager (CFPM) certificate expire! Contact NWTC in Aurora at 715-589-2768 to schedule the course.

Looking for a way to get involved?

As a facility owner in Florence County, you can contribute ideas to improve your industry and/or facility! Or if you just have question for your county sanitarian-

Contact us!

Amber Kolberg- Registered Sanitarian (akolberg@florencecountywi.gov) at the Florence County Health Department or call 715.528.3428



WHATS NEW

FLORENCE COUNTY, WISCONSIN



FREE instant read food thermometers will be given to all retail food

establishments! Florence County Health Department, with grant funding, purchased thermometers to increase compliancy of the Wisconsin Food Code and help owners and operators train food employees on proper food safety techniques and active managerial control. Florence County retail food establishments will get their thermometers during this year's annual inspection!

FCHD will also be distributing FREE beverage coasters to all restaurants and bars! If you would like more, please stop by the Health Department Monday thru Thursday, 8:30am- 4pm or call Rachael at 920-545-0042.

Florence County Establishments Continue to GROW! Let's welcome these new licensed establishment operators:

Bramysti Lake Haus in Florence, owner Bryan Muehleis

Hawg Wild Smoked Meats transient mobile unit in Florence, owner Brandon Jerue

Indian Tacoville transient mobile unit in Spread Eagle, owner April VanEynde

Jimmy Dogs transient mobile unit in Aurora, owner Selena Okler

KC Cabin in Spread Eagle, owner Kent Cory

Michaela May's Bakery (formerly Chainey House Bakery) in Florence, operator Michaela Rice

Prisca's Fabulous Fresh Fish transient in Florence, owner Billy McCoy

Redd's Cabin in Fern, owner Evan Redders

Secluded Retreat in Long Lake, owner Jessie Duquaine

Spread Eagle Cottage in Spread Eagle, owner Andrew and Matthew Johnson

The Ice Shack transient unit in Spread Eagle, owner Ryan and Angela Pierce



In September 2022, FCHD environmental health staff completed a risk factor study of the occurrence of foodborne illnesses in Florence County. To meet the department's mission statement, staff provide education, technical assistance and promotion of active managerial control to prevent the most commonly associated foodborne diseases in retail food establishments. The results of the study showed employee behaviors and food preparation practices most in need of improvement and educational outreach in Florence County's retail food are:

- **Poor personal hygiene** (when/where to hand wash)
- **Improper holding time & temperature** (in food and equipment and date marking)

Due to the study findings, FCHD environmental health staff have increased education to food service employees during annual inspections or as requested (presentations, providing food thermometers, in-person real-time trainings, etc.).



To view retail food establishment inspections in Florence County, visit <http://healthspace.com/Clients/WI/Florence>