New Lodging Rules

Chatham County Environmental Health

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Food and Lodging Program

Significant Changes in the New Lodging Rules

- New Format containing NC Food Code References
- There are 41 new defined terms in Rule .1821
- BB Homes and Inns will be required to have a Certified Food Protection Manager by October 1, 2018
- Chapter 3 of the NC Food Code applies to all BB Homes and Inns.
- Rule .1824 requires testing method for sanitizers used on food contact surfaces.
- Rule .1825 references Chapter 5 of NC Food Code and required a designated handwashing sink in a convenient location for the kitchen (except those BB Homes and Inns that were permitted prior to April 2017 and only serve the breakfast meal).
- Rule .1825 requires plumbing to be installed according to LAW. The water temperature is guestrooms is no longer a requirement.
- Rule .1826 required 20 foot candles of light at 30" above the floor in areas used for handwashing, ware washing, equipment and utensil storage and toilet rooms.
- Rule .1827 requires household cleaning agents to be stored according to manufacturer's specifications and required medications to be stored in a manner to avoid contamination of food and food contact surfaces.
- Rule .1829 allows all lodging establishments 180 days to complete transitional permit conditions.
- Rule .1833 requires all lodging establishments to submit plans for review prior to construction or renovations.
- Rule .1833 requires an application for a permit or transitional permit to be submitted at least 30 days prior to projected opening date.

Bed and Breakfast Rules to combine with new Lodging Rules

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The NC Department of Health and Human Services Food Protection Branch issued the New Rules Governing the Sanitation of Lodging Establishments. These rules were effective as of October 1, **2017**. The Rules Governing the Sanitation of Bed and Breakfast Homes, the Rules Governing the Sanitation of Bed and Breakfast Inns, and the Rules Governing the Sanitation of Lodging Establishments have been repealed and are now included in the new Rules Governing the Sanitation of Lodging Establishments. In other words, three sets of rules have been combined in to one set. The Inspection of Lodging Establishment form will be used for all lodging inspections, including bed and breakfast homes and bed and breakfast inns.