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HEALTH**

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# Cooling Chart

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Food Product							
Refrigeration or Room Temp							
Food / Container L x W x H / Material							
Date							
Time at 135°F		:	:	:	:	:	:
After 1 Hour	Temperature	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F
	Time	:	:	:	:	:	:
After 2 Hours <small>(must be 70°F or below)</small>	Temperature	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F
	Time	:	:	:	:	:	:
After 3 Hours	Temperature	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F
	Time	:	:	:	:	:	:
After 4 Hours	Temperature	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F
	Time	:	:	:	:	:	:
After 5 Hours	Temperature	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F
	Time	:	:	:	:	:	:
After 6 Hours <small>(must be 41°F or below)</small>	Temperature	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F	°F
	Time	:	:	:	:	:	:
Corrective Action Taken							
Manager/Employee Signature							

**For Successful cooling of food use the following formula to help you determine if your rate of cooling is fast enough:**

- 1) Cool from 135°F to 70° F within two hours, the rate of cooling must be approximately 0.54°F/minute (135-70=65°F ÷120 minutes (2 hours)=0.54°F) or ~32°F per hour
- 2) Cool from 70°F to 41°F within 4 hours, the rate of cooling must be approximately 0.12°F /minute (70-41=29°F ÷ 240min( 4 hours)=0.12°F) or ~7°F/hour.

**Example:** Initial temperature of soup is 135°F. One hour later the temperature is 129°F.  $135-129=6 \div 60\text{min}=0.1^\circ\text{F}/\text{min}$ . The rate of cooling is not fast enough. The rate needs to be  $\sim 0.54^\circ/\text{min}$ .