

(Effective until March 1, 2022.)

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(c) The establishment's operation involves only coffee service and other UNPACKAGED or prePACKAGED FOOD that is not POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOOD such as carbonated BEVERAGES and snack FOOD such as chips, nuts, popcorn and pretzels.

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