

**10A NCAC 14J .1721 MEAL SERVICE**

- (a) Each municipal lockup shall provide at least three meals for inmates, two of which must be hot, at regular times during each 24-hour period. There shall be not more than 14 hours between the evening meal and breakfast. An inmate shall be provided a meal if he is in the municipal lockup during a normal meal hour.
- (b) Food shall be served to inmates on individual serving trays. Eating utensils, consistent with security considerations, and condiments shall be provided.
- (c) While food is being transported, either from inside or outside the jail, it shall be covered to prevent contamination. Food must be maintained at appropriate serving temperatures as specified in Commission for Health Service Rule 15A NCAC 18A .1522.
- (d) Food shall never be used as a reward or punishment.
- (e) Each municipal lockup shall keep a daily record of the number of meals served.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 153A-221;  
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