

**15A NCAC 18A .1618 FOOD SERVICE UTENSILS AND EQUIPMENT**

- (a) All food service equipment and utensils shall be kept clean and in good repair.
- (b) All food contact surfaces of utensils and equipment shall be cleaned after each use.
- (c) Utensils and equipment shall be handled and stored in a manner as to protect from contamination.
- (d) Residential care facilities shall provide a kitchen sink for cleaning food service equipment and utensils.
- (e) Food storage areas shall be kept clean and free of pests.

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