

This rule is hereby repealed.

6A-7.0422 Procedures for Food Service Companies to Qualify as Child Care Food Service Providers.

Specific Authority 228.195(2), 229.053(1) FS. Law Implemented 228.195 FS. History—New 5-3-88, Repealed

Cf. 7 CFR Part 226, Sections 226.6, 226.20 and 226.21.

6A-7.0422 Procedures for Food Service Companies to Qualify as Child Care Food Service Providers. In order to bid on contracts with sponsoring organizations to provide meals reimbursed under the Child Care Food Program, food service management companies must be registered and approved by the Department. The Department shall annually publish announcements concerning the availability of food service contracts. The registration and approval process involves:

(1) Registration. A food service management company shall complete and file an application for approval to bid on contracts. The application shall include a permit to operate or other certificate issued by the county health unit and a current balance sheet.

(2) Approval. The Department shall schedule an on-site inspection of the production site within thirty (30) days of receipt of the complete application to, (a) determine if the company has resources to fulfill the requirements for the meal contract; (b) inspect the facility for suitability to provide sanitary, nutritious food; (c) ensure that procurement procedures comply with Federal Regulations, specifically 7 CFR Part 226, Sections 226.6, 226.20, and 226.21. Each approved food service company shall be inspected annually to ensure continued compliance with these requirements.

(3) Appeal Process. If an application to be an approved bidder is denied, or a company's qualification is withdrawn upon annual inspection, the food service management company shall be notified within ten (10) days of such an action by the Department. The company shall be notified of the right to appeal using procedures established in Federal Regulations in 7 CFR, Section 226.6(j).

(4) Publication of Approved Bidders. Sponsoring organizations shall be notified of qualified food service management companies by publication of a list of such companies by the Department.

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