It’s Never Been Easier to Contact Us!

The Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) Division of Food Protection now has an email account to better serve those manufactured food facilities under the regulatory authority of MSDH.

This mailbox should be used to:

- Ask a manufactured food specialist questions concerning your facility or food safety issues
- Make a complaint about the inspection your facility received or the inspector that conducted the inspection.
- Send a request to receive a plan review packet and submit your plan review once finished.

The Division of Food Protection would like to encourage you to contact us at mfgfoods@msdh.ms.gov.

What’s a Recall Plan?

A recall plan is a document that describes how the affected product will be removed from commerce.

Recalls are utilized to protect consumers from products which pose safety issues, are deceptive or are defective. A properly written and exercised (mock recall) Recall Plan provides manufacturers with the ability to remove adulterated or misbranded product(s) from the market efficiently and effectively. A non-existent or poor Recall Plan can have serious economic and legal consequences.

More information is available about industry guidance for recalls at https://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/IndustryGuidance/

Do You Have a DUNS Number?
The Division of Food protection conducts two types of manufactured food inspections each year.

1. **State Food Inspections** are the inspection your facility receives to be permitted or renew your permit. The frequency of these inspections is based on your facilities risk level 1, 2, 3, or 4. One (1) being the lowest risk level and four (4) being the highest risk level.

2. **Food & Drug Administration (FDA)** Inspections are inspections the FDA has contracted with MSDH to perform on manufactured food facilities that sell or receive products or ingredients from out of state.

New Food Safety Modernization Act rules will require most manufacturers to have a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number. The DUNS number is easy to obtain by applying online at [http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform](http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform) or by calling 1-866-705-5711.

**Documents to have available for review for your FDA Inspection:**

- DUNS Number
- Production Records
- Proof of Registration under the Bioterrorism Act
- Written Recall Plan
- Consumer Complaint File
- Pest Control Records
- Employee Health Policy
- Delivery Invoices

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