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Challenges of Implementing HACCP in Small Food Businesses

Enhancing Regulatory Decisions Through Risk Assessment





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Is HACCP Working?









200+ people died





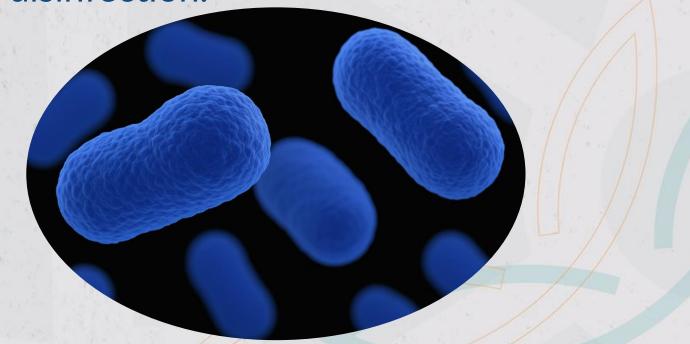


Causes

Cross-contamination from the facility.



Lack of proper cleaning and disinfection.





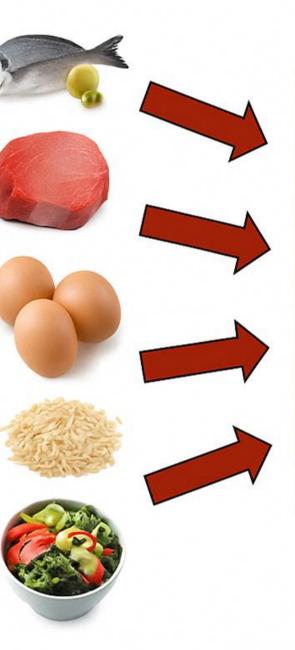


HACCP: Endless Paperwork?

Unique Challenges in SLDBs

SLDBs: Small and / or Less Developed Food Businesses





















The Reality in SLDBs

"They just want to cook and serve safe food. Not fill out papers."





The Reality in SLDBs

- Limited resources no dedicated food safety team or consultants
- Low literacy or language barriers makes HACCP charts hard to create
- One-person operations the chef is also the cleaner and the server
- Fear of inspectors leads to copying documents instead of understanding them
- No time daily survival > documentation



Regulatory Expectations vs. Practical Barriers

- Regulators expect structured food safety systems
- Small businesses often lack tools or guidance
- Result:
 - Paper-based compliance without real control of risk



Simplified HACCP Approaches

Safer Food, Better Business: UK Food Standards Agency

Salamat Zadna: Abu Dhabi (ADAFSA)

Menu-Safe® (TSI): International

• Customized for local use, such as in Sharjah Municipality (UAE)





المنشأة الغذائية Food Business





Menu-Safe as a Model Solution

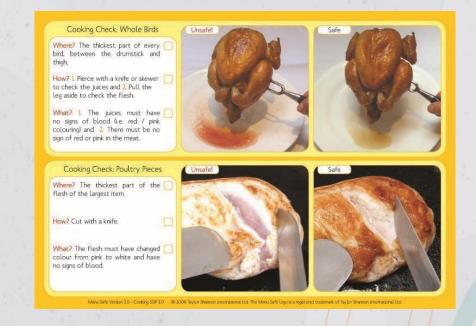
- Focuses on SOPs rather than detailed HACCP charts
- Exception-based record keeping
- Visual tools and templates for daily operations
- Designed specifically for SLDBs



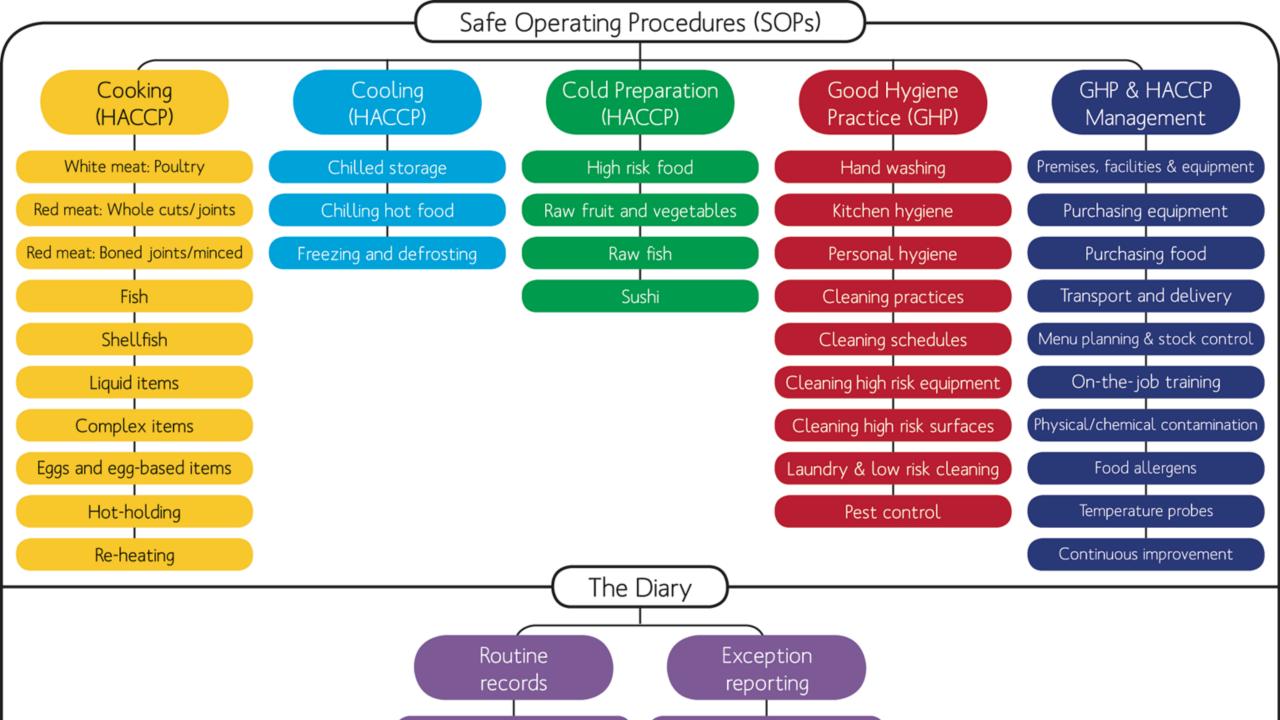


Key Features of Menu-Safe

- Pre-validated food safety SOPs
- Built-in hazard analysis by experts
- Easy-to-use diary for record-keeping
- Reduced documentation workload
- Based on international research and field trials







Benefits to Regulatory Authorities

- Enables risk-based inspections
- Better targeting of high-risk businesses
- Promotes meaningful compliance
- Strengthens collaboration between businesses and inspectors





Practical Case Study: Menu-Safe® Sharjah

Improved compliance and inspection outcomes.

Reduced non-conformities and clearer

understanding by operators.

60% of the businesses successfully passed the audit

on their first try.





Compliance should reflect real risk control, not complicated paperwork."









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