

July 20, 2018



Dear Municipality:

Effective July 1, 2018 the Food Premises regulation made pursuant to the Health Protection and Promotion Act was amended to require health unit notification of an intention to commence operation of a food premises:

“A person who gives notice of an intention to commence to operate a food premise to the medical officer of health under section 16(2) of the Act shall include his or her name, contact information and the location of the food premise in the notice.” (section 6)

We are seeking your assistance in advising food premises operators of this new requirement. Please find attached a “Notice to Operate” letter meant for the public. Please share this letter with the appropriate departments within your municipality, and at your discretion, where it may be visible to members of your municipality.

If you require additional information, please contact the undersigned at 519-376-9420 ext. 1252 or email at a.newman@publichealthgreybruce.on.ca

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Angela Newman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Angela Newman

Public Health Manager

Notice to Operate



Food Premises Owners and Operators Contact Public Health Before You Open a Business

Under the law you are required to notify the Grey Bruce Health Unit of your intent to operate a food premises [Health Protection and Promotion Act, S. 16 (2) and Ontario Regulation 493/17, S.

Complete the online application form:

<https://www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca/Your-Environment/Food-Safety/Legislative-Requirements/Establish-a-Food-Premise>

Speak with your Public Health Inspector to:

- Review applicable regulations and relevant standards
- Receive information, advice and support
- Review floor plans and equipment needs
- Schedule an opening inspection before you officially open

Contact a Public Health Inspector at 519-376-9420 or 1800-263-3456 and press option 4 or email publichealth@publichealthgreybruce.on.ca

Food Premises include, but are not limited to:

- Restaurants, cafeterias, and take-outs
- Daycare, long-term care, retirement homes, homes for special care
- Mobile premises
- Catering companies
- Retail butcher shops
- Convenience stores
- Recreational camps
- Some farmers' markets

Food Handler Training:

The Grey Bruce Health Unit offers food handler training throughout the year. Check our web- site for course details at <https://www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca/Your-Environment/Food-Safety/Food-Safety-Certification-Courses>

