

The following is a list of food items that may be sold or distributed to the public without a permit. This list is defined in the Washington State Retail Food Code (WAC 246-215). Vendors selling or distributing these products must still meet the provisions of the rules and submit an <u>Application for Exemption from Permit</u> form to SRHD for approval prior to operating.

- Popcorn and flavored popcorn, (including kettle corn), prepared from commercially packaged, non-potentially hazardous\* ingredients.
- Cotton candy
- Dried herbs and spices processed in an approved facility.

\*A potentially hazardous food (PHF) is one that needs to be held hot or cold in order to be safe to eat. Cream pies, cut leafy greens, cut melons, sprouts and cut tomatoes need refrigeration. Chocolate chip cookies, bread, and brownies are some examples of non-potentially hazardous foods.

- Crushed ice drinks, containing only non-potentially hazardous food\* ingredients and dispensed from a self-contained machine that makes its own ice. However, a permit is required for drinks containing potentially hazardous food, snow cones and shaved ice.
- Corn on the cob cooked and served within 30 minutes
- Whole peppers roasted and served within 30 minutes
- Roasted nuts, peanuts and roasted candy-coated nuts
- Chocolate-dipped ice cream bars, prepared from pre-packaged ice cream bars produced in a food processing plant
- Chocolate-dipped bananas, prepared from bananas peeled and frozen in an approved facility
- Individual samples of non-potentially hazardous\* sliced fruits and vegetables.

## The approved application must be on site and available at all times during operation

## *If you plan to offer any food that is not on the above list, be sure to contact the SRHD Food Safety Program for additional requirements*