



Preparing great tasting food:

7 simple steps to cooking great food for your Residents

STEP 1

Pre-loading checklist

Check you have enough portions of the correct menu item and any special dietary requirements

Record all batch codes into the Temperature Log Book



STEP 2

Check the lid information

Sort the foils into full cycle and half cycle, checking each lid of every product



- ✓ Cook with lid on
- **⊗** Cook with lid off
- **⊗** Lift the corners



STEP 3 Loading the oven-full cycle

Main Time

Lighter Time



Top oven (Full cycle)

- 1. Keep free
- 2. Lid off/main course items
- 3. Potatoes and vegetables
- 4. Liquid items (soups/custard)

STEP 4

Loading the oven-half cycle

Main Time

Lighter Time



Bottom oven (Half cycle)

- 5. Lid off items (main course/puddings)
- 6. Potatoes and vegetables
- 7. Puddings
 - Special diets and liquids

STEP 5

Loading Textured Modified & Individual Meals

Main Time Lighter Time

STEP 6

Loading Diabetic & Textured Modified Desserts/Pureed Toasties

Main Time

Lighter Time

STEP 7

Service times

Main Meal Service Time







Serving great tasting food

4 simple steps to serving great food for your Residents

STEP 1

Health & safety

Ensure you and those around you are kept safe at all times

Fold down sharp foil corners

Stand behind the door when opening

Protect hands using oven cloth or gloves.

Arms should also be covered to reduce risk of scalds and burns

support foils underneath with a spanned hand when removing from the oven. Be aware that the pack may contain liquid, such as gravy or sauce, so extra care and time may be required to prevent burns or scalds



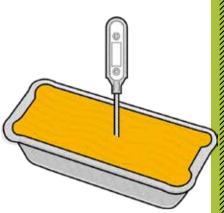
STEP 2Temperature probing

Remember to clean the probe with a probe wipe between each item

Either lift or remove the lid and probe the centre of the food

If any item has not reached at least 75°C (82°C in Scotland) return to oven

Record the temperatures into your Temperature Log Book



STEP 3

Pre-service preparation

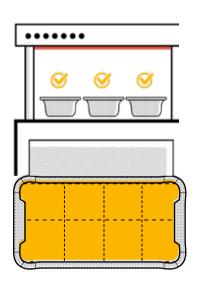
Tidy appearance, washed hands

An organised service counter with cutlery, crockery, herbs and garnish at the ready

Pre portion (pies, crumbles, pasta bakes)

Stir (soups, casseroles, curries and sauces)

Sufficient serving spoons and utensils for each dish and jugs for custard and gravy



STEP 4

Ensuring an excellent dining experience

You can make a real difference to the whole service experience

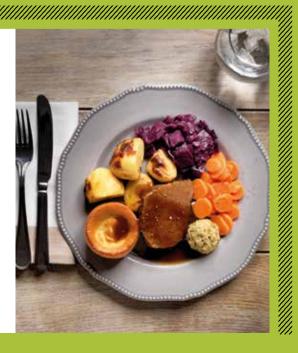
Each meal must be well presented and look appetising

Serve hot food on a hot plate and chilled food on a cold plate

Wipe any spillages from around the sides of plates and bowls

Ensure the resident receives the meal they ordered and that it is appropriate to their dietary needs

Never send a meal to a resident that you would not want to receive yourself



Making a real difference