

**OREGON CONVENTION CENTER**  
**FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SAMPLING POLICY**

**A. FOOD, CANDY, ETC.**

1. Food sampling will be permitted by those exhibitors whose products/business they represent are being sampled
2. No other food may be distributed from booths other than exhibiting companies whose product or service is being represented at the show. Exhibitors wishing to give away food and beverages from their booth, but who do not qualify for sampling may purchase such give-away food and beverage items from the Oregon Convention Center's exclusive food and beverage contractor.
3. Food sampling will be bite sized portions (the size used in grocery store samples). Anything larger must be pre-approved by the OCC Executive Director.
4. No food or drinks are to be sold for on premise consumption
5. All non-alcoholic beverage samples must be in 2 to 3.5 oz. containers (see – Alcohol Authorization Form for sampling of alcoholic beverages)
6. Any products that are sold for off-premise consumption must be factory sealed to discourage on-premise consumption.
7. All persons dispensing products of food must have the proper food handling permit from Multnomah County and/or the City of Portland if required by the Multnomah County Health Department. (small sample sizes usually do not require the permit unless dealing with raw uncooked food product)
8. All exhibitors are expected to carry such permits if required while on-site and may be subject to inspection of such permits by the Multnomah County Health Department.
9. If required by the Multnomah County Health Department sanitizing/hand washing stations will be the responsibility of the licensee to provide for exhibitors sampling food products.
10. Any exhibitor distributing samples that do not meet OCC portion guidelines, or that require a permit by the Multnomah County Health Department without the authorized food handlers permit may be asked to discontinue sampling from their booth.
11. All insurance shall hold Metro, MERC (Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission) and the members, officers, directors, agents and employees of each entity harmless from any problem occurring from the dispensing of samples of food and beverage from the Licensee and/or the exhibitor dispensing the samples.
12. It is the responsibility of the Licensee, distributor or exhibitor to acquire all necessary Permits and licenses if required for such sampling. Multnomah County Health Department, Environmental Health, 727 NE 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue Portland, Oregon 97232