

Health Regulations for Soft Drink and Juice Sale Shops

Article (1): A municipal licence for the shop shall be obtained from the concerned municipality prior to practising the activity.

Article (2): Every person working in the shop shall have a valid health card issued by the concerned authority and such persons shall be subject to annual medical examination, or whenever necessary, and appropriate action shall be taken in light of the results of the examination.

Article (3): Workers shall wear special uniforms and caps.

Article (4): The shop location shall be far from any sources of pollution.

Article (5): The floor shall be made of non-slip tiles. A semicircular drain covered with an iron grating and sloping outwards to discharge washing water into the sewage system shall be made according to the approved regulations. All walls shall be covered with white ceramic tiles to a height of two metres from the floor level and the uncovered part shall be coated with light oil paint.

Article (6): The following shall be provided inside the shop:

- a) A potable water source.
- b) A basin for washing fruit to be used in the preparation of juice, as well as for washing cups and tools used for preparation and serving.
- c) A refrigerator for safekeeping of fruit that will be used for the preparation of juice.
- d) Lights, air-conditioners and exhaust fans suited to the shop area.
- e) An electric shock insect trapping device shall be provided and a narrow wire mesh shall be placed on openings.
- f) First aid kit.

Article (7): The health conditions for ice cream shops shall be adhered to, together with the regulations stated in the previous article, for the preparation of ice cream in fruit juice shops.

Article (8): Glass cups or disposable paper cups shall be used for serving juice.

Article (9): Water used in preparation of juice shall be fresh and in accordance with the specifications of potable water in force in the Sultanate, and shall pass through a filter. Fruits which will be used in the preparation of juice shall not be decayed and shall be suitable for consumption.

Article (10): Juice shall be prepared upon request by using suitable appliances. The storage or serving of pre-prepared juices is prohibited.

Article (11): The shop, its appliances and tools shall always be maintained clean.