

Town of Stoughton

Board of Health

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Food Establishment Emergency Policy for Fires

Should any Stoughton Board of Health (BOH) licensed food establishment (FE) have a structure fire (inside or out) or if the fire suppression system discharges at any time, the person in charge (PIC) must cease operations and notify the BOH immediately. The FE cannot re-open until such time that an agent of the BOH has given permission to re-open. If the event occurs out of normal hours of the BOH office, a message can be left at the BOH office and the food establishment cannot re-open until contacted and/or visited by a BOH agent, which might not occur until the following day or possibly the next town office business day, if occurring on the weekend or a holiday.

Please note: every food establishment must have a designated PIC authorized by the business owner to enact emergency closures when applicable, under the above policy, who is onsite working at all times when open for business. Should any business fail to have a designated PIC at all times when open or should any business fail to enact emergency closure procedures under this policy as directed by which when applicable, the FE license can be suspended by a BOH Agent and/or revoked by the Board.