

FOOD SAFETY AFTER THE STORM Refrigerator

IF YOU KEEP THE REFRIGERATOR DOOR CLOSED THE REFRIGERATOR CAN KEEP FOOD SAFE FOR 4 HOURS.

AFTER 4 HOURS THE FOOD SHOULD BE TRANSFERRED OR DISCARDED.

After 4 Hours:

SAFE TO EAT FOOD

• High-acid foods

Such as: mustard, ketchup, relishes, pickles, non-creamy salad dressings, jams, and jellies.

• Foods that don't actually require refrigeration.

CAN'T HAVE MOLD OR UNUSUAL ODOR

- whole fruits & vegetables
- dried fruits and coconut
- baked goods (expect those with cream cheese)
- hard & processed cheeses
- butter & margarine
- fresh herbs & spices
- flour
- nuts

Transferring Food

- Transfer of food to a cooler filled with ice or frozen Ice packets
- Cooler should be kept at 40°F or below.

UNSAFE FOOD

- all meats, eggs, their substitutes
- all leftovers
- all dairy products (besides ones on safe list)
- cut fruit & vegetables
- fruit & vegetable juices
- batters & doughs (pancake, cookies, etc.)
- creamy anything
- mayonnaise, tarter sauce, horseradish



If there is any doubt in the food THROW IT OUT!

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