

**15A NCAC 18A .2814 FOOD SERVICE EQUIPMENT AND UTENSIL STORAGE**

(a) In child care centers, food-contact surfaces, equipment, utensils, and single service articles shall be protected from contamination.

(b) Cleaned and sanitized utensils and equipment shall be stored above the floor in a clean, dry location and shall be kept clean while stored. The food-contact surfaces of fixed equipment shall be kept clean while stored or otherwise not in use. Equipment and utensils shall not be stored under exposed sewer lines.

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