

Ownership Changes

There are basically two types of pre-openings related to ownership changes. They are:

1. Ownership changes where the existing facility is not closing their operation, or the operation is being closed for minor issues such as cleaning or painting. Please see pre-openings for this situation.
2. Ownership changes where the existing facility is closed for minor or major remodeling. Please see below.

Criteria for a major remodel: A situation where an ownership change occurs, and the facility is totally renovated and opened as a brand-new facility. An example of this type of remodel would be the purchase of an existing food operation which is then totally deconstructed and then reconstructed to become a different type or the same type of food operation. In these cases, outside walls may be the only things that are left untouched.

Criteria for a minor remodel:

1. Adding an additional structure to an existing building.
2. New plumbing, for example, a new walk-in cooler and the plumbing that is associated with its proper construction. The addition of a new sink or sinks and the new plumbing associated with its installation.
3. Equipment requiring structural change, for example, addition of a walk-in cooler.
4. Changes in the ventilation system, for example, the addition of a new hood.
5. The addition of new equipment.
6. Plumbing, lighting and ventilation repairs.
7. Repairs and upgrades to existing floors, walls and ceilings. For example, the addition of FRP, replacing ceiling tiles or wall repair.

Both types of remodels listed above will require a plan review submittal. Please see Preparation for Plan Review.

Note: If you are unsure about the type of remodel you are submitting a plan review for contact our office at 928-679-8750. We will make sure you have the right remodel type before you begin the process of online submittal.