

Your local health department is the best place to begin. Let them know what you are planning to do, and ask for their assistance.

These counties hosted Food Rules Workshops:

Winnebago County Health Department: (815) 720-4101

Champaign County Health Department, Environmental Health: (217) 363-3269

Adams County Health Department: Tony Dede (217) 222-8440 or tdede@co.adams.il.us

Peoria County Health Department, Environmental Health: (309) 679-6161

Marion County Health Department: (618) 548-3878, For general inquiries, ask for Melissa Mallow or try Marion County Extension; for information about sanitation, call Audra Arnold.

The following panelists at our Food Rules workshops were extremely knowledgeable and helpful about regulations concerning meat processing and sales, including detailed information about the exemption for on-farm poultry processing.

Mark Kohorst – Meat and Poultry Compliance Officer, IL Department of Agriculture Mark.Kohorst@illinois.gov or (309) 838-6751

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