Maine CDC Health Inspection Program

## Minimal Internal Temperatures



Food must cook long enough to meet minimal internal temperatures as required.



Item

## **Temp/Time**

Raw shell eggs that are broken and scrambled	145°F for 15 sec.
Whole, fillet or steaks of fish	145°F for 15 sec.
• Beef, lamb, pork, game animal commercially raised for food	145°F for 15 sec.
(steaks and chops)	
• Whole roast of lamb, beef, pork, game animal raised for food	145°F for 3 min.
• Ground beef, ground game animal commercially raised for	155°F for 15 sec.
food, flaked fish, ground fish, ground ratites (ostrich/emu)	
mechanically tenderized and injected meats (ham)	
• Stuffed poultry, game animal commercially raised for food,	165°F for 15 sec.
pasta, fish, beef, lamb, pork, ratites	
Poultry, turkey chickens, ducks, etc.	165°F for 15 sec.
Microwaved foods must be covered, stirred and rotated	165°F for 15 sec.
throughout the heating process and let stand for 2 mins.	



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