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Serve safe samples



Use cleaned and sanitized utensils, surfaces, and containers with lids to prepare, store, and serve samples.

Why?



Utensils, surfaces, and containers that are not cleaned and sanitized could cross-contaminate your samples and possibly make people sick. Bare hands carry bacteria and viruses and can cross-contaminate samples.

Clean and sanitize all utensils, surfaces, and containers before and after use. Use single-use, disposable sampling utensils and serveware, like toothpicks or disposable cups, for serving. Do not use bare hands to serve samples; handle samples with clean single-use gloves or utensils.





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