

Cut and burn prevention

Preventing cuts:

- Store sharp knives or cutting utensils in a safe place—like a drawer or storage rack—when not being used.
- Never place knives or other sharp utensils in the bottom of a sink or in dirty dishwater. Employees can easily cut themselves when washing dishes.
- Train employees on safe cutting procedures and require protective cutting equipment when necessary. When using cutting or processing appliances, check with the manufacturer(s) to see if training is available.
- Follow equipment safeguards according to manufacturer specifications. All parts should be put back together after cleaning to ensure safe operation.
- Keep customer utensils in good condition with safe grip handles. Customer knives should not be extremely sharp.
- Throw away broken or chipped glasses and plates immediately.
- Never use glassware to scoop ice. Ice bins should be melted down and cleaned weekly to make sure glass chips are not present.

Preventing burns:

- Never serve flaming food and/or boiling liquids at the table.
- Keep hot foods at least 140 degrees, but not too hot to eat or drink.
- When cooking, keep stove top flames to a minimum. Remove pans from flame before adding any flammable cooking liquids.
- Wear protective gloves with slip resistant surfaces when handling hot pans and dishes. Extremely hot plates should not be served tableside.

For more information, contact your Allied Insurance Loss Control representative.

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