

Accept or Reject Product Shipment

TIME: 30 minutes

PURPOSE OF THE ACTIVITY:

The participant will be able to apply receiving standards to a shipment of food.

MATERIALS NEEDED:

- Accept or Reject worksheet

CONDUCTING THE ACTIVITY:

1. Divide the group into teams of 4-6 individuals.
2. Give each team 15 minutes to discuss the list and decide if they should accept or reject the product.
3. Have each team report on two or three of the items. Make sure that they describe why they accepted the product or why they rejected the product.
4. NOTE: You can delete any of the products in the list below or add new products to meet your audience's needs.

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ACCEPT OR REJECT

FOOD	ACCEPT	REJECT	WHY?
Cherry red roast with a sour odor			
Shell eggs at 47°F			
25# bag of flour with small tear			
Chicken that is stored in a box of ice that is half melted			
A case of corn, one can is slightly dented but the dent is not on the seam			
Whole tuna with a mild ocean smell and bright shiny skin			
Two, one-gallon containers of milk that have a sell-by date of today			
No shellstock tag on bag of clams			
Individual servings of dairy-based coffee creamers at room temperature			
25-pound bag of potatoes, some of the potatoes are sprouting			

ACCEPT OR REJECT — ANSWER KEY

FOOD	ACCEPT	REJECT	WHY?
Cherry red roast with a sour odor		YES	Sour odors are indicative of temperature abuse or an older product.
Shell eggs at 47°F		YES	Eggs must be received at 45°F.
25# bag of flour with small tear		YES	Small tears can allow for the entry of external contaminants, such as bugs.
Chicken that is stored in a box of ice that is half melted		YES	Half-melting ice is indicative of temperature-abuse. Also the box must be self-draining.
A case of corn, one can is slightly dented but the dent is not on the seam		REJECT THE ONE CAN	If the dent is on the seam or where the side meets the top or bottom it must be rejected. Small pin holes could form in these areas.
Whole tuna with a mild ocean smell and bright shiny skin	YES		
Two, one-gallon containers of milk that have a sell-by date of today	YES BUT USE TODAY		
No shellstock tag on bag of clams		YES	Shellstock tag indicates from where the product was harvested. The law requires that it be kept in-house for 90 days.
Individual servings of dairy-based coffee creamers at room temperature	YES, IF THEY ARE SHELF- STABLE		
25-pound bag of potatoes, some of the potatoes are sprouting		YES	Sprouting indicates improper storage or old potatoes.

