

	MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM		ISSUED	REVISED	CHAPTER	SECTION
	CHILD CARE CENTERS POLICY & PROCEDURE MANUAL		3/8/11	1/16	5	5.13
CHAPTER Chapter 5. Requirements of Management – IC’s			SUBJECT Self-Prep Kitchens – Minimum Equipment Requirements			

To participate in the CACFP, centers that prepare their own meals (self-prep) must have the following minimum food service equipment available:

Equipment	Number of Children in Care (age 1 and over)			
	-1 – 50	51 – 100	101 – 200	201 – 300
Range with ventilating hood (hood requirements may vary according to local fire or sanitation codes)	1 range (4 burners) with oven; 30” domestic or 30”-36” commercial or 1 commercial grade convection oven and 1-1000 watt minimum microwave oven	1 range (4 burners) with oven; 30” domestic or 30” – 36” commercial or 1 commercial grade convection oven and 2 – 1000 watt minimum microwave ovens	1 range (6 burners) 30” – 36” commercial (2 if over 150 children) or 1 commercial grade convection oven and 6 burner range	2 ranges (8 burners) with ovens; 30” – 36” commercial or 2 commercial grade convection ovens and 8 burner range
Refrigerator with shelves	Single section domestic 18 cubic feet or commercial reach-in 20-25 cubic feet	Two domestic 18 cubic feet each or Double section commercial reach-in 40-50 cu. ft.	Double section commercial reach-in 50-60 cu. ft. or 64 sq. ft (8x8 ft.) walk-in	Triple section commercial reach-in 60-75 cu. ft. or 64 sq. ft (8x8 ft.) walk-in
Freezer (free standing)		1 freezer 18 cu. ft. separate from refrigerator	1 freezers 18 cu. ft. separate from refrigerator	2 freezers 18 cu. ft. each separate from refrigerator

If the center serves over 100 children, the following additional equipment is recommended: steam equipment (kettle, steamer), roaster oven, commercial mixer with attachments, food slicer, microwave oven(s), hot holding food cabinet. Crock pots and other slow cookers are not approved equipment for child care.

Child care centers that do not have the minimum equipment required by this policy within one year of the effective date of this policy will be required to purchase meals from a food service management company or caterer in order to participate in the CACFP. CFNA will provide technical assistance and resources to child care centers to assist in finding a food service management company capable and experienced in providing CACFP meals.

Note: variations to the above minimum equipment requirements will be made on a case by case basis.