



Housekeeping and Hygiene

Lesson 2

Recognise the importance of housekeeping and hygiene in a food factory. It's vital role in maintaining food safety, and Health and Safety is all described within this course.





There will be a defined level of acceptable and unacceptable cleaning performance on processing equipment and food contact surfaces



The defined level of acceptable can be determined by five tests:

- 1. Visual appearance
- 2. ATP bioluminescence testing
- 3. Microbiological testing
- 4. Allergen testing
- 5. Chemical testing



If the results are at an unacceptable level then corrective action should be taken for example recleaning and then retesting. This will all be recorded on documentation.





Three specific resources are required for effective cleaning.

- 1. Cleaning equipment
- 2. Cleaning chemicals
- 3. Trained personnel

There will be documents which define the staff who have the relevant training.



If specialist cleaning resources are required then it must be scheduled for non-production periods.



Cleaning equipment will be:

- Hygienically designed and fit for purpose.
- Clearly identified for its intended use for example only to be used in a high-risk area.
- Cleaned and stored in a hygienic way to prevent contamination





Revision Activity 2

Name a test which can be performed to determine if the acceptable level of cleaning has been achieved?