The following guidelines illustrate the minimum food safety requirements necessary for an item to qualify for distribution.

All food items must have a label stating all ingredients and labelling indicating a best by or production date.

**DISCARD IF...**
- Packaging where the tamper evidence seals are broken
- Damaged (to the point of not being able to read it) or missing label
- Broken or torn packaging exposing food
- Severe dents (especially deep dents or dents near seams are most likely to cause issue)
- If there is reason to believe it hasn’t been in proper storage conditions through its lifespan

**Items below are unlawful to distribute without a license. Please discard donations of this nature.**

- Prescription Medications
- Cannabis Infused Products
- Alcoholic Beverages

The guidance below represents general shelf life of the products represented, and is not intended as an extension after the "best by date".

Remember that your senses are the best detectors for spoiled or unsafe food. If you are unsure about distributing a product, you are permitted to taste and discard one unit for quality assurance.