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## Foreword<sup>2</sup>

The purpose of this Standard is to establish minimum food protection and sanitation requirements for the materials, design, fabrication, construction, and performance of special purpose food handling and processing equipment and devices not fully covered by other individual standards.

This Standard uses inch-pound units as the primary units with SI (metric) units provided in parentheses for informational purposes. The Joint Committee carried a motion that this convention be adopted in future revisions to this Standard. The SI units provided in parenthesis generally represent a hard conversion of the inch-pound units, meaning that the SI value may have been rounded to provide a reasonable and measurable dimension.

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This revision updated the Normative References and boilerplate language in: 1.4 Measurement; 5.21 Breakable glass components.

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## 1 General

## 1.1 Purpose

This Standard establishes minimum food protection and sanitation requirements for the materials, design, fabrication, construction, and performance of special purpose food handling and processing equipment and devices not fully covered by other individual standards.

## 1.2 Scope

Equipment covered by this Standard includes, but is not limited to, specialty equipment items or devices that have special, complex, or multiple functions such as refrigeration heating equipment, and refrigerated tumblers equipment. These are applicable provisions and additional specific requirements or exceptions as might be needed for proper evaluation of devices or equipment for which individual standards do not exist.

The requirements of this Standard shall apply to all specialty equipment items except when equipment components and materials are covered under other NSF or NSF/ANSI Standards or criteria. Components and materials covered by other NSF or NSF/ANSI Standards or criteria shall comply with the requirements of each relevant standard or criteria to which that particular equipment component or material applies. This Standard is not intended to restrict new unit design, provided that such design meets the minimum specifications described herein.

## 1.3 Alternate materials, design, and construction

While specific materials, design, and construction may be stipulated in this Standard, equipment that incorporates alternate materials, design, or construction may be acceptable when such equipment meets the applicable requirements herein.

## 1.4 Measurement

Decimal and SI conversions provided parenthetically shall be considered equivalent. Metric conversions and significant figure rounding have been made according to IEEE/ASTM SI 10.

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