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Foreword²

The purpose of this Glossary is to provide a single resource containing all of the technical terms used in all NSF Food Equipment Standards. By having all NSF Food Equipment definitions located in one document, and not in the individual Food Equipment Standards, greater consistency will be achieved as changes to a given definition will affect all other Food Equipment Standards simultaneously once adopted in the Glossary. In addition, the Glossary of Food Equipment Terminology may serve as a reference tool within the industry.

This Glossary was developed by the NSF Joint Committee on Food Equipment using the consensus process described by the American National Standards Institute.

In this version, Normative References were updated and the following term were added/clarified in the document: door mullion, hot water urn, removable, and unexposed non-food zone.

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1 General

1.1 Purpose

This Standard establishes definitions for food equipment, devices, and related components.

1.2 Scope

Definitions covered by this Standard consist of terminology related to food equipment including terms describing equipment, materials, design, construction, and performance testing. This Standard includes common definitions of terms used throughout NSF Food Equipment and Sanitation Standards.

1.3 Measurement

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

2 Normative references

The following documents contain provisions that, through reference, constitute provisions of this Standard. At the time this Standard was balloted, the editions listed below were valid. All documents are subject to revision, and parties are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the recent editions of the documents indicated below.

FDA³ *Food Code 2001. Recommendations of the United States Public Health Service Food and Drug Administration.*

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, (21 CFR) Part 131, *Food and Drugs*⁴

IEEE/ASTM SI 10 – 2002. *Standard for the Use of the International System of Units (SI): The Modern Metric System*⁵

NEMA LD 3 – 2000.⁶ *High-Pressure Decorative Laminates*

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