# **ENERGY CONSERVATION CHECKLIST**

USE THIS PERSONALIZED CHECKLIST IN YOUR BUSINESS AS A HELPFUL REMINDER ON HOW TO SAVE!

# KITCHEN AND SERVING

#### **LIGHTING**

- ☐ Install ENERGY STAR® compact fluorescent lamps, LEDs or induction lighting—use dimmable lamps with dimming switches.
- ☐ Clean lighting fixtures and remove unnecessary lamps (de-lamp) and disconnect their ballasts.
- Replace T12 fluorescent lamps and magnetic ballasts with T8 or T5 lamps and electronic ballasts (de-lamp where possible).
- ☐ Install occupancy sensors and/or timers in isolated spaces such as storage rooms or walk-ins.

#### **VENTILATION**

- ☐ Check thermostat settings and programming.
- ☐ Turn off kitchen exhaust and make-up air fans when appliances are off.
- Consider variable-speed drives for kitchen exhaust and make-up air fans.
- Install side-panels on exhaust hoods that fail to capture and contain.

#### **FOOD PREP**

- ☐ Follow an appliance start-up and shutdown schedule. Emphasize attention to broilers, ovens, griddles, rotisseries, pasta cookers and fryers.
- ☐ Turn off plug loads when possible. Emphasize attention to heat lamps, coffee warmers, holding cabinets, steam tables, plate warmers and conveyor toasters.
- Clean and repair range tops, replace missing knobs, fix air shutters and adjust flame.
- ☐ Establish monthly equipment maintenance schedules.

## **SANITATION**

- ☐ Install a low-flow, pre-rinse spray valve at the pot-washing
- Repair all water leaks—especially hot water.
- □ Set water heater at proper temperature—usually 120°F to 140°F.
- ☐ Turn off hot water recirculating pumps when kitchen is closed.

#### REFRIGERATION

- ☐ Install strip curtains and replace damaged strip curtains.
- □ Keep refrigerator doors, ice machine and prep table covers closed.
- ☐ Maintain good airflow around the evaporator. Remove boxes from front and any objects (plastic bags) from rear.
- Install an evaporator fan controller in walk-in. Or, install high-efficiency ECM motors on evaporator and condenser fans.
- ☐ Clean condenser coils.
- Clean evaporator coils.
- ☐ Purchase ENERGY STAR® reach-in refrigerators and freezers.

# **DINING ROOM**

#### LIGHTING

- ☐ Install LED retrofit lamp kits and/or new LED exit signs.
- Install occupancy sensors in isolated spaces such as banquet or party rooms.
- Install occupancy sensors in restrooms (keep one fixture/lamp on during occupied hours).
- ☐ Install window film to block sun-generated heat, use high quality film and professional installer.

#### AIR (HVAC)

- ☐ Check thermostat settings and programming:
  - Set thermostat to 76°F for occupied cooling and 85°F for unoccupied (include pre-cooling if necessary). Turn off air conditioning fan during unoccupied hours.

#### **DISH ROOM**

#### LIGHTING

- ☐ Clean lighting fixtures and remove unnecessary lamps (de-lamp) and disconnect their ballasts.
- ☐ Replace T12 fluorescent lamps and magnetic ballasts with T8 or T5 lamps and electronic ballasts (de-lamp where possible).

#### **SANITATION**

- ☐ Install a low-flow, pre-rinse valve at the dish machine.
- ☐ Turn off conveyors and water troughs when possible.
- ☐ Turn off dishwasher tank heater when kitchen is closed.

# **ROOFTOP**

#### **VENTILATION**

- ☐ Clean exhaust fans and check for loose or broken belts.
- If exhaust or condenser fan motor needs replacement, use high-efficiency motors and/or direct drive units (no fan belt).
- ☐ Replace dirty air conditioner filters.

### PARKING LOT / EXTERIOR

# LIGHTING

- Consider parking lot lights with high-low (bi-level) controls and occupancy sensors.
- Turn off soffit lights, menu boards, decorative lights and roof lights whenever possible. Never leave exterior lighting on during the day.

### **SAFETY**

- ☐ Equip kitchen with a Class K fire extinguisher
- Ensure emergency exit signs are operable and egress routes are not blocked by stored materials
- Have a first aid kit.

# **Helpful Contact Information**



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