

Civil Penalties are fines levied against commercial food businesses for violations of Denver’s Retail Food Establishment Regulations. Beginning January 1, 2011, civil penalties will be assessed following the criteria outlined in the table below

In the event that an establishment is closed for an imminent public health risk due to the operator’s negligence, a maximum fine of \$2000 will be assessed, and a Public Notice of Enforcement Action will posted at the establishment. Electronic Information regarding all Civil Penalties and Public Notices is available within Restaurant Inspection Reports.

For questions or further information about Civil Penalties or Public Notices, contact the division at 720-913-1311, 311 in the Denver Metro area, or by email at [phicomments@denvergov.org](mailto:phicomments@denvergov.org)

|   | <b>1<sup>st</sup> violation in 12 months</b> | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> violation of the same type within 12 months</b> | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> violation of the same type within 12 months</b> |
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| <b>Fines for Critical Violations</b>          | No fine                                      | \$250 per violation   | \$500 per violation   |
| <b>Maximum amount per inspection</b>          | n/a.   | \$500   | \$1,000   |
| <b>Notice of Enforcement Action (Posting)</b> | No   | No  | No  |