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RE: Connecticut regulations pertaining to patron footwear

Dear JP Podorski,

Thank you for taking the time to contact the Connecticut Department of Public Health regarding footwear requirements in businesses such as stores, restaurants, and convenience store locations throughout Connecticut.

Currently, there are no regulations within the public health code that address a requirement of patrons to wear shoes or other footwear while inside a foodservice establishment or other retail food store. However, individual businesses may develop and impose their own requirements regarding patron footwear, as they see fit.

Should you have any additional questions or concerns regarding foodservice establishments specifically, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (860) 509-7297. Again, thanks for contacting the CT DPH.

Regards,
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