# Holiday Rush Equipment Readiness Checklist

A printable checklist to get your kitchen ready before the busiest weeks

## Start with a walk-through

- [ ] Run each unit and listen for strange noises, vibration, or cycling on and off more than usual
- [ ] Watch for temperatures that drift or take longer to recover
- [ ] Look for leaks, ice buildup, or moisture around units
- [ ] Note error codes, flickering displays, and anything you've been working around

## Refrigeration and walk-ins

- [ ] Coolers hold 41°F or below; freezers hold around 0°F
- [ ] Door gaskets are intact and doors close and seal fully
- [ ] Evaporator fans and condenser areas are clear of ice and debris

## Fryers

- [ ] Oil recovery time and thermostat accuracy are normal
- [ ] Filtration routine is on schedule

## Ice machines and dishwashers

- [ ] Ice output keeps up with demand and the ice looks normal; the unit has proper clearance
- [ ] Dishwasher wash and rinse temperatures are correct, spray arms are clear, chemical levels are good

## Ovens, ranges, combi ovens, and small equipment

- [ ] Burners, pilots, and heating elements work; door seals are tight; temperatures are accurate
- [ ] No error codes, steam problems, or inconsistent cooking on combi ovens
- [ ] Slicer blades, mixers, blenders, and knives are sharp and running smoothly

## Holiday breakdown plan

- [ ] Service number is posted where staff can find it
- [ ] Model and serial numbers are handy for key equipment
- [ ] Backup plan is in place for ice and other critical units (rental if needed)
- [ ] Plan is set for protecting product if a cooler fails, and who makes the call
- [ ] Staff know to report problems right away

## Call before the rush

- [ ] Any refrigeration unit that won't hold temperature
- [ ] Fryers or ovens with inconsistent heat, or ice machines with falling output
- [ ] Equipment you've been nursing along since summer
- [ ] Gas smell, electrical issue, or visible damage: call immediately

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