

Avoid CMS Foodservice Fines: The Audit Escape Plan for Food Directors

What audit triggers cost senior living communities thousands, and how to stay inspection-ready every day.

The Real Cost of Non-Compliance

CMS survey deficiencies can lead to:

- Civil money penalties
- Denial of payment for new admissions
- Immediate Jeopardy citations (up to \$50,000 per day)

Even small issues like food not held at safe temps or missing labels can trigger F812–F814 citations — and immediate financial impact.

“ONE MISSING LABEL SHOULDN’T COST YOUR COMMUNITY THOUSANDS.”

The 5-Step Audit Escape Plan

1

Know What Surveyors Look For

Focus on the top tags: F812 (food safety), F813 (storage), F814 (cooling/reheat).

2

Audit-Proof SOPs

Use standardized temp logs, label/date systems, and daily checks that match CMS expectations.

3

Build a “Show-Me” Kit

Keep your documentation organized, surveyors reward visibility and structure.

4

Run a 30-Minute Mock Survey

Walk the route, inspect temps, and record fixes weekly to prevent surprise tags.

5

Automate Compliance with PFS

Digital logs, real-time temperature alerts, and auto-archived records make you audit-ready 24/7.

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From Risk to Readiness

Fines are costly. Reputation damage is worse. The right systems make compliance simple, and automatic.

Be audit-ready before surveyors walk in.

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