

IDDSI Audit Tool

Product or food tested			
If heated, heating method(s)			
Temperature when tested at:	°C/°F time of service	°C/°F 15 mins after serving	°C/°F 30 mins after serving

Instructions

- Level 7 Easy to Chew critical tests include **Fork/Spoon Separation Test and Fork/Spoon Pressure Test** OR if these are not available Finger Test.
- The food item must pass or meet criteria for any row marked *
- Meets criteria means answers 'Yes' to all critical tests.

Tests	Meets criteria at		
	Time of Service	15 mins after serving	30 mins after serving
Critical: Fork/Spoon Separation & Pressure Test (metal dinner fork or teaspoon needed)			
* Must be able to break food apart easily with the side of a fork or spoon	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
* When pushing down on a 15mm x 15mm sample with a dinner fork or teaspoon, with enough pressure that the thumb nail turns white, the food breaks apart, can be squashed and will not return to original shape	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Alternative if Fork or Spoon not available: Finger Test			
* Must be able to break food apart easily with fingers	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
* When pushing down on a 15mm x 15mm sample using thumb, with enough pressure that the thumb nail turns white, the food can be squashed and will not return to original shape	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
* Food feels moist	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Optional: Chopstick Test			
Chopsticks can puncture Easy to Chew food	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
OVERALL CONCLUSION: Does the sample meet the criteria for:			
Level 7 Easy to Chew?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

- Notes:**
- * Biting ability is required for this texture. Chewing and oral processing abilities are needed for this texture.
 - * Please see also <http://iddsi.org/framework/food-testing-methods/>.