*March 21, 2025*

Re: Inquiry asking if the South Carolina Dept. of Public Health has any laws, codes, or regulations for businesses under its regulatory control that require customers or patrons to wear shoes or other footwear.

Greeting Mr. Sands,

Although DPH has authority over many public health concerns, this concern unfortunately falls outside our jurisdiction.

On July 1, 2024, DHEC's retail food program, manufactured food program, and milk and dairy programs became part of the South Carolina Department of Agriculture (SCDA). We have sent your inquiry SCDA.

**Please send this request to SCDA for assistance.**

SCDA website
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803-896-0640

**Sincerely,**
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