SOP Template: Drive-thru and Dine-in Order Handling Processes

This SOP details the **drive-thru** and **dine-in order handling processes**, covering customer order taking, order accuracy verification, payment processing, food preparation coordination, and timely order delivery. It emphasizes maintaining efficient workflow, ensuring customer satisfaction, and hygiene standards to provide a seamless and pleasant dining experience for both drive-thru and dine-in customers.

1. Purpose

To outline standardized procedures for processing drive-thru and dine-in customer orders to achieve accuracy, speed, hygiene, and optimal customer satisfaction.

2. Scope

This SOP applies to all team members involved in order taking, payment processing, food preparation, and order delivery for both drive-thru and dine-in operations.

3. Responsibilities

- Front Counter Staff: Greet guests, take and review orders, process payments, and coordinate with kitchen staff.
- Drive-thru Attendants: Facilitate drive-thru ordering, payment, and delivery to vehicles.
- Kitchen Staff: Prepare food as per order, maintain quality and hygiene.
- Supervisors/Managers: Oversee process flow, resolve complex issues, and ensure SOP compliance.

4. Procedure

Step	Drive-thru	Dine-in
1. Customer Arrival	Greet customer via intercom promptly at drive-thru	Greet customer at entrance/counter with a smile
2. Order Taking	 Listen actively & confirm order items Repeat order for accuracy 	Take order at counter or table Repeat key items for accuracy
3. Payment Processing	 Inform total amount Process payment via cash/card/contactless Issue receipt 	 Inform total amount Process payment at counter or table Issue receipt
4. Order Preparation	 Relay order to kitchen, prioritize based on queue Kitchen staff prepare food, maintain food safety and hygiene standards 	
5. Order Verification	 Check items against receipt Confirm special instructions/allergies 	 Check prepared tray/plate for accuracy Confirm special instructions/allergies
6. Order Delivery	 Hand order to customer at the drive- thru window Thank customer and invite future visit 	 Serve order at the table or announce at pickup counter Thank customer and ensure satisfaction
7. Post-service	 Monitor lane, manage waiting times Log any errors or customer feedback 	Check on customer satisfaction during dining Respond to requests or complaints promptly

5. Hygiene & Safety Standards

- Wash hands and wear gloves as required during food handling.
- Sanitize order area and surfaces regularly.
- Follow all food safety guidelines.

6. Customer Satisfaction

- Greet every customer cordially.
- Ensure clear communication at each step.
- Resolve complaints or errors promptly.
- Encourage feedback for continuous improvement.

7. Documentation & Records

- Record and review order errors for trend analysis.
- Log customer complaints and resolutions.

8. Revision History

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