

What to Do if Cross-Contamination Happens: Step-by-Step

1. **Stop Immediately**
As soon as you notice contamination, stop food preparation to prevent further spread.
2. **Discard Contaminated Food**
Throw away any food that has been exposed to contamination (e.g., raw meat juices on ready-to-eat food).
3. **Clean Affected Surfaces**
Thoroughly clean and sanitize all surfaces, cutting boards, knives, and utensils that came into contact with the contamination.
4. **Wash Your Hands**
Wash your hands with soap and water to remove any bacteria from touching contaminated items.
5. **Inspect Other Foods**
Check if other foods may have been contaminated. If necessary, discard or clean those as well.
6. **Reorganize Storage**
Separate raw food and ready-to-eat food in the fridge to prevent further cross-contamination.