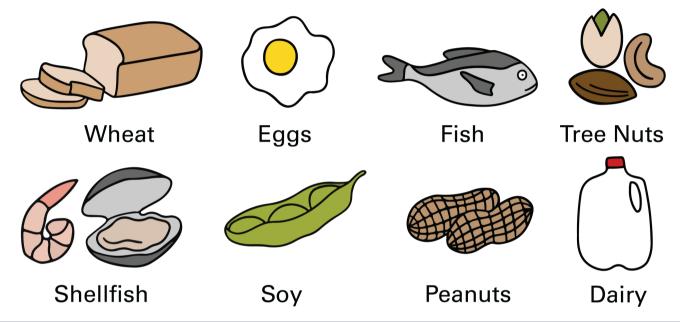


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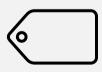
Contact with allergens poses a **life threatening** risk to those who are allergic. Symptoms of an allergic reaction may include itching, swelling, throat irritation, hives, trouble breathing and cardiac arrest.

The Big 8 allergens that require labeling and control:



Allergens can be listed by different names but will be labeled on packaging. **Some common ingredients may contain hidden allergens.**

Best practices for preventing cross-contact of allergens to non-allergen foods:



Label allergens in storage and store away from nonallergen foods.



Wash hands, utensils and surfaces when switching from allergen to non-allergen foods.



Communicate to customers and staff known and potential allergen risks.





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