Safe Defrosting

Food needs to be kept at safe temperatures while defrosting. Avoid the temperature "danger zone" by defrosting foods safely.

- Defrost on the **LOWEST SHELF** of the fridge if you are going to cook the following day.
- Defrost in the **MICROWAVE** if you are going to cook the food right away.
- Defrost in a **BOWL of COLD RUNNING WATER** if you are going to cook the food in the next one or two hours.

**Defrosting in warm water or on the counter will keep the food in the temperature DANGER ZONE.**

**DO NOT** defrost in lukewarm, warm, or hot water.

**DO NOT** defrost on the counter.

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