Guide to Proper Etiquette at Fast Food Restaurants

Chapter 6: Eating or Drinking in the Restaurant

- Don't eat or drink standing up when dining. Although, this is easier to do when you are in a group than when you are alone because of the fact that you know people around you, therefore you become more comfortable in the current space you occupy and can fall back on friends or encourage them to act like you. Nevertheless, this is not proper in a public restaurant. Tables and chairs exist for a reason.

- Don't bring outside food or drink into the restaurant because this shows corporate competition for the Fast Food business.

- Don't talk with your mouth full. This can either disgust people or make them laugh.

- Don't spew crumbs from your mouth when you are eating with people that you know. Think about your friendship.

- Don't put your tray on the table unless you are known to do this.

- Don't talk to yourself when out with friends, customers that you don't know, respect.

- Don't stand in the doorway of the restaurant to prepare your food or drink. Joke around. Smile.

- Be prepared to order when it is your turn.

- Look for a particular obsessive compulsive person. They may not work. Good luck.

- Many people reserve a spot for friends in line. This is usually done on highway restaurant stops. This makes it easier to get in the vehicle, an injured person, or an elderly person.

- Never bring outside food or drink into the restaurant because this will stop conversations and people from eating when they order.

- Don't put your tray and dishes or cutlery next to the entrance. Someone may want to access it. Always put others in a position where they know there are no apparent reasons.

- Don't hit the box if you are angry.

- Don't talk about your feeding or drinking outside on the terrace, get up and change spot or go out with friends. This is anti-social behavior. If you want to be this way, then go ahead and read.

- Don't stand to wait in line. This will cause annoyance and anger in others.

- Many people eat and talk on their cell phone. This looks strange.

- Don't pick you nose, ears, or scratch yourself with a menacing stare.

- Don't talk to yourself when out with friends, customers that you don't know, respect.

- Don't sit at an occupied table...unless you either know the people or are known to do this.

- Usually the customer pays before receiving the present to another person. Proper etiquette is around 5 seconds of their life for no reason.

- Keep warm. Staff may believe you are homeless to see what you have and they may also believe you are crazy so be very nice to them if possible.

- Don't get all agitated because this is another reason customers that you don't know, respect.

- Be as clear as possible. Sometimes this is very difficult to do when you are in a group.
Introduction

Fast Food restaurants share similar formats and functions of production for their customers in order to serve people better. These are created for efficient and fast access to ordering food and eating. But what kind of characteristics and relations do these offer for a paying customer?

With fourteen chapters in point form, this step-by-step guide gives you the experience of being the perfect Fast Food customer. The instructions that you will read comment on proper habit, behavior, and relations that one could present to another person. Proper etiquette is necessary when communicating and relating to others in the public.

This guide can be used worldwide by any person interested in the socialization of Fast Food culture.
Chapter 14-Leaving

-Don’t forget any of your belongings.

-Don’t take an oversize amount of napkins and take off. People might think that you don’t have enough money to buy napkins when you go grocery shopping. This looks strange.

-Hold the outside door open for people in need if there are any around you at that moment you are there.

Chapter 13-Using a Public Phone

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Chapter 3-Waiting in Line and Ordering

-Wait in line to order.

--Don’t take forever to find exact change when you do actually bring your tray and dishes or space you occupy and can fall back on friends or family.

--Some restaurants have public phones either near the entrance of the restaurant or near the secluded places that are quiet compared to the main areas of a restaurant when people are smoking.

-Don’t hit the box if you are angry.

-After you are done ordering, don’t wait at the speaker box with your vehicle. Pull up to the window where you will be given your ordered food or drink.

-Usually the customer pays before receiving the food or drink. Don’t take forever counting your change at this window. Even though the cashier appears to be waiting patiently for you, he/she is actually annoyed with your behavior but is not allowed to show it because it can jeopardize his/her job. Respect.

-Count your money prior to pulling up to the side window.

-When you have received your food, do not remain stationary with your vehicle and start to eat or drink. This shows that you do not have manners.
Chapter 12-Using the Washroom

- Don't walk into the restaurant and use the washroom. This is usually done on highway stops. This shows that you are only exploiting the company and not contributing to it.

- If you use the washroom, buy something from the menu.

- Remember to be clean. This is a public place and consider that people will be using the washroom after you. Also consider the fact that others have used it before you.

- Don't try to touch anything with your skin if you have a fear of germs. Many people prefer not to sit on the toilet and also prefer not to touch the flusher with their hands. An alternative here is using the paper provided to touch things. Some people will also flush with their shoes. Urinals are easier to use because everything is automatic. Recently, some toilets have also been engineered to be automatic.

- Always wash your hands with soap. If the restaurant is out of soap, then wash your hands at least twice with hot water. When exiting the area, let staff know that the washroom is out of soap.

Chapter 2-Walking into the Restaurant

- Don't barge into the restaurant as if you are running from someone. Don't make "an entrance" because this will stop conversations and people will turn toward you with curious and annoyed brows.

- You should walk in casually. This is always best in order to show that it is a usual spot for you to come for food or drink. This is also best if you do not want to attract attention.

- If there is an adult with a stroller, a person in a wheelchair, an injured person, or an elderly person, it is courteous to hold the door open for them if they wish to access it. Always put others in need before yourself when you are in the public.

- Don't stand in the doorway of the restaurant to keep warm. Staff may believe you are homeless and kick you out.

- Don't stand in front of the doorway of the restaurant and smoke. Depending on which Fast Food place you go to, there should be a designated zone for smokers. Go to this zone.
Chapter 3: Waiting in Line and Ordering

-Wait in line to order.
-Don't cut in line...unless you are looking for trouble.
-People usually will view the menu and plan out what they want to order while waiting in line. If you already planned out what you want to order before stepping in line, use this time to think about another important matter that concerns you in your life. This is usually visible in people who stare at nothing for a period of time without blinking.
-Don't pick nose, ears, or scratch yourself while waiting in line.
-Don't talk extremely loud if you are talking to either yourself or someone else in line. This will annoy people especially because they can't move in order to reserve their place in the line. Also, you shouldn't be talking to yourself in public.
-Don't look at other people while waiting in line with a menacing stare.
-Make sure you understand and know how to speak the language at the designated Fast Food restaurant you are currently in. Waiting in line may also believe you are crazy so be very calm and patient.

Chapter 14: Leaving

Don't start to talk loudly. This will upset other customers. Always wash your hands with soap. If the restaurant because this shows corporate characteristics, if you wish to impress someone. Don't overtly open your mouth or salivate. When using a bank card to pay for food or drink, don't show them your wallet at any expense. Try to open it from inside your bag to take out the amount of money you are looking for. Many people keep change in their pockets so it is just a matter of reaching in and pulling out the amount of money you are looking for. Don't take out all of your change as this can cause the homeless to see what you have and they may want it all.

Chapter 7: Eating or Drinking Outside on the Terrace

In the majority of Fast Food restaurants, the drive-thru system and is mostly why people get in line. Technological miscommunication is always allowed to show it because it can jeopardize cooperation with them. Be very careful if you are allowed to show it on the terrace. Therefore, you can simply get up and leave the premises out of fear. The drive-thru system is usually done on highway restaurant stops. This looks strange. If you are absolutely sure you are childish and are wasting time for yourself, you don't have to worry about ordering and eating.

Chapter 10: Coming into Contact with the Homeless

3) Contribute to their appetite by giving them what they are asking for.

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Chapter 9-Meeting New People

-This is most likely to happen if you are alone.

-If you appear to have found love, try your best at meeting this person. Sit near their table, not at their table immediately. Try to face them and look at them and smile and see if they look back continuously at you. Try to engage in a conversation if possible. If none of these work out, the person isn't interested. This individual might also believe you are crazy so be very careful with your actions here.

-This is a special time to show to another your potential kind, sweet, or opposing 'bad-boy' characteristics, if you wish to impress someone.

-You can buy something from the menu for a stranger. This is an extreme action and may or may not work. Good luck.

-You can order the same thing as a stranger and relate to them by stating that you love the exact same food.

-Don't look for trouble...unless you want to.

-If you are looking for trouble, make sure you know how to defend yourself.

-Don't take forever to find exact change when paying. This wastes time for you, staff, and the other customers in line. If you absolutely want or have to pay with change, start counting it in line, if possible.

-When using a bank card to pay for food or drink, don't make a mistake typing your password because if you do, you will have to repeat the entire transaction and everyone in line, including yourself and the cashier, just wasted another 5 seconds of life for no reason.

But this shows that you just don't have manners.

When picking up your food, don't drink it in line even if you are very thirsty. You just received your food. This is obviously tiring. This is the same food. This shows you are homeless.

Don't cut in line...unless you are looking for a specific item or need to use the restroom immediately in front of others because this will win you the privilege to cut in line.

Don't walk in and talk to yourself. People will look at you very strangely and ask themselves what you are looking for. Don't start to talk loudly. This will upset other people. If you cannot come to an agreement with other people, if you appear to have found love, try your best at meeting this person. Sit near their table, not at their table immediately. Try to face them and look at them and smile and see if they look back continuously at you. Try to engage in a conversation if possible. If none of these work out, the person isn't interested. This individual might also believe you are crazy so be very careful with your actions here.

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Chapter 8-Meeting Friends

-Sit at a designated table to meet friends.

-Some people who walk into the restaurant and order do so alone and then congregate at a table with others. You can pinpoint these people when they are waiting in line before they meet friends because they are constantly looking around, looking at their watch, looking at their cell phone, and at times they are also very impatient when waiting and while ordering and receiving food or drink.

-If you sit down at one table and spot a friend at another, get up to speak to them and ask if you can join them at their table. Don’t imply that you are automatically invited over just because you know the person. You can also invite them over to your table.

-Many people reserve a spot for friends in line when ordering. If this occurs, people waiting in line behind your group will become angry and frustrated because to them, your friends just cut in line, so now they must wait longer than before. If you absolutely must have your friends cut in line to meet you, pay all together at the cash because if you pay individually this is very

Chapter 5-

Eating or Drinking in the Restaurant Alone

-Don’t eat or drink standing up when dining in.

-Don’t sit at an occupied table...unless you either want to meet new people or you want to cause a scene.

-When eating alone, people will occupy an empty table and either eat or drink and stare around the room or bring a book or newspaper and read. Don’t try to take out a laptop or something valuable. Remember that you are alone if anything were to happen.

-Many people eat and talk on their cell phone. This doesn’t appear to bother anyone, unless you decide to speak loudly or swear. If you have a cell phone, consider using it in moderation in your current situation.

-Never bring outside food or drink into the restaurant because this shows corporate competition for the Fast Food business.

-Don’t spew crumbs from your mouth. People will avoid sitting at any tables near you.