

	<u>Provision</u>	<u>Section in Franchise Agreement</u>	<u>Summary</u>
q.	Non-competition covenants during the term of the franchise	12.02	<del>You</del> <u>Subject to applicable state law, you</u> may not engage,– either directly or indirectly, through any financial or beneficial interest in any other person, in any competing business, other than a Franchised Business. A competing business means any person or entity engaged in the delivery of frozen, chilled or ambient temperature prepared meals for in-home consumption.
r.	Non-competition covenants after the franchise is terminated or expires	12.03	<del>You</del> <u>Subject to applicable state law, you</u> and your Guarantors shall not (without our prior written consent) at any time during the period of 2 years from the date of Franchise Agreement termination or expiration, either individually or in partnership or jointly or in conjunction with any person, as principal, agent, equity owner or in any other manner or capacity whatsoever, carry on, be engaged in, be concerned with or interested in or advise, lend money to, guarantee the debts or obligations of, or permit its name or any part thereof to be used or employed by any person engaged in or concerned with or interested in the development, operation, franchising or management of any business involving the preparation or home delivery of frozen prepared meals within the Territory or within the territory of any other Heart to Home Meals Business at the termination date of the Franchise Agreement.
s.	Modification of the agreement	16.05	We may alter the System or Operations Manual as we deem necessary. We and you must agree in writing to any modifications to your Franchise Agreement.
t.	Integration/merger clause	16.05	Only the terms of the Franchise Agreement are binding (subject to applicable state law). Any representations or promises outside of this Disclosure Document and the Franchise Agreement may not be enforceable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in the Franchise Agreement or any related agreement is intended to disclaim the representations made in the Franchise Disclosure Document.
u.	Dispute resolution by arbitration or mediation	Not Applicable	Not applicable.
v.	Choice of forum	16.03	Subject to applicable state law, any legal action must be brought in the judicial district where our headquarters is located, which is currently Middlesex County, Massachusetts, and the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts. Your local law may supersede this provision. See Disclosure Document Addenda for Certain States at <u>Exhibit B</u> .

## STATE EFFECTIVE DATES

The following states have franchise laws that require that the Franchise Disclosure Document be registered or filed with the state, or be exempt from registration: California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

This document is effective and may be used in the following states, where the document is filed, registered, or exempt from registration, as of the Effective Date stated below:

State	Registration Date
Illinois	April 24, 2026
Indiana	Pending <a href="#">April 24, 2026</a>
Maryland	Pending
Michigan	February 14, 2026
Minnesota	Pending
New York	April 27, 2026
Rhode Island	April 24, 2026
Virginia	Pending
Wisconsin	Pending <a href="#">April 24, 2026</a>

Other states may require registration, filing, or exemption of a franchise under other laws, such as those that regulate the offer and sale of business opportunities or seller-assisted marketing plans.