

Food Handler Card and Food Safety Certification Trainers and Providers

Food Handler Card

Beginning June 1, 2011 all employees, with some exemptions, that are involved in the preparation, storage or service of food must obtain a food handler card. Some examples of a food handler include wait staff, chefs, head cooks, bussers, bartenders, host/hostesses that handle food, beverage pourers. If a person has a valid Food Protection Manager Certification, then he/she does not need to obtain a California Food Handler Card. Frequently asked questions and answers, including information on exempt employee criteria, can be found at [California Food Handler Law Guidelines](#). There are several providers that may offer the course. However, you must pass an approved exam to be certified. The exams listed below are recognized in California:

Organization & Phone	Web Site
National Restaurant Association ServSafe® (800) 765-2122	www.FoodHandlerUSA.com
National Registry of Food Safety Professionals (800) 446-0257	www.nrfsp.com
State Food Safety 801-494-1416	www.StateFoodSafety.com
Prometric 800-624-2736	www.prometric.com/foodsafety
Premier Food Safety 800-676-3121	www.premierfoodsafety.com

Food Protection Manager Certification

Any food facility that prepares or serves non-packaged, potentially hazardous food must have a certified food safety person. Some examples of food facilities that require a certified food safety person include restaurants, some grocery stores and mini markets, delis, hot food trucks, refreshment stands and commissaries. There are several providers that may offer the course. However, you must pass an approved exam to be certified. The exams listed below are recognized in California:

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FOOD SAFETY CERTIFICATION

TRAINING AND EXAMINATIONS

The following is a list of trainers and certification providers. Please contact the provider of your choice for information on classes, fees and to schedule your training and examination.

Provider	Type of Course(s) Offered	Language(s) Offered
Local Providers		
Premier Food Safety (800) 676-3121 www.premierfoodsafety.com	Local class or online course with a username and password	Classes are in English. Exams are in English, Spanish, Korean, Chinese, Vietnamese, Japanese, Arabic and French.
Lorraine C. Baty, R.D. P.O. Box 962 Ridgecrest, CA 93556 (760) 446-5178	Call for current Ridgecrest class schedule or for independent study guidelines.	Classes are in English. The CPFM exam is available in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Traditional Chinese and Korean.
California Safety Training Corporation (CSTC) 2130 Brundage Lane Bakersfield, CA 93304 (661) 377-8300 www.cstcsafety.com	Local class, call for current schedule and pricing	English or Spanish
Fidelity Safety & Training (FS&T) 5005 Business Park North Bakersfield, CA 93309 – Class location (866) 221-4045 or (661) 387-8001 www.fidelitysafety.com	Local class, call for current schedule or check on website. Classes are held in Bakersfield every other month.	Classes are in English or Spanish. Exams are in English, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese
All Star Food Safety Training (559) 381-1904 (510) 364-6976 allstarfoodsafety@gmail.com	Local class, call for current schedule.	English and Spanish
Alfredo Lorenzo, CFSP J&E Restaurant Supplies Inc. 430 E 19th St Bakersfield, Ca.93305 661-631-1584 661-631-1586 Fax visit us at www.jerestaurantsupply.com	Local class, call or go on website for current schedule	English and Spanish
Home Study		
A Better Company for Premier Food Safety (800) 676-3121 www.ABetterCompanyFoodSafety.com	Offers an online course with a username and password	Classes are in English. Exams are in English, Spanish, Korean, Chinese, Vietnamese, Japanese, Arabic and French.
Lorraine C. Baty, R.D. P.O. Box 962 Ridgecrest, CA 93556 (760) 446-5178	Call for current Ridgecrest class schedule or for independent study guidelines.	Home study materials are in English. The CPFM exam is available in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Traditional Chinese and Korean.
California Food Handler School (818) 624-2319 www.makefoodsafes.com	Currently inactive, but individuals can call for private classes	English, Spanish and Korean
Safe-at-the-Plate (888) 804-SAFE (7233) www.safeattheplate.com	Audio cassette or CD-ROM home study	English and Spanish
Western Exterminator Company Janet Yaldezian, R.D., R.E.H.S. (800) 698-2440 or (310) 940-2512	CD-ROM home study	English

Providers Located Outside of Kern County

<p>A School for the People/La Escuela De La Gente Antonio Barajas (888) 851-FOOD (3663) www.aschoolforthepeople.com contactone@aschoolforthepeople.com</p>	<p>Call for next scheduled class.</p>	<p>English and Spanish.</p>
<p>American Food Safety Institute (800) 723-3873 www.americanfoodsafety.com</p>	<p>Call for next scheduled class.</p>	<p>English and Spanish.</p>
<p>Antelope Valley College – Lancaster, CA (661) 722-6584 www.avc.edu</p>	<p>Call or go website for class schedule</p>	<p>English</p>
<p>California Food Handler School 818) 624-2319www.makefoodsafes.com</p>	<p>Currently inactive, but individuals can call for private classes</p>	<p>English, Spanish, and Korean</p>
<p>California Restaurant Association (800) 794-4272 www.calrest.org</p>	<p>Call for next scheduled class.</p>	<p>English and Spanish.</p>
<p>Fresno Adult & Community Education Paul Smith (559) 248-7010 x205</p>	<p>Call for next scheduled class.</p>	<p>English</p>