

Obtaining a Food Handlers or Food Manager Certification Angelina and Surrounding Counties - 2023

Under the Texas Department of State Health Services jurisdiction, every food service worker is required to receive basic food safety education and become certified as a food handler. Furthermore, each food establishment is required to have at least one **Certified Professional Food Manager**, which requires more in-depth training and knowledge, on site at all times.

Below is a listing of available options to earn either a Food Handlers or Professional Food Manager Certification. Unless otherwise directed by a local health department, all food handler certifications are good for two years and all food manager certifications are good for five years.

Certified Food Manager in Person Classes

Depending on the county, Food Managers classes may be either 1 day or 2 days in duration and the certification exam will be from <u>Servsafe</u>, a nationally recognized credentialing organization. For those only needing the test and not the in-depth instruction, there is the option to test or re-test only for a significantly reduced price.

For an updated list of trainings across the state visit https://foodsafety.tamu.edu/ and look for upcoming events. In addition to the scheduled classes open to the public, some County Extension Offices will be able to hold special classes for groups at flexible times and locations. Contact the below County Extension Agent for a schedule of upcoming classes.

Smith: Claudann Jones, cmjones@ag.tamu.edu, 903-590-2980

Online Food Handlers Certification

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension offers an online Food Handlers Course in English. https://agrilifelearn.tamu.edu/s/product/food-handlers-certification/01t4x000002ciQlAAI

Online courses approved by the Texas Department of State Health Services: https://www.dshs.texas.gov/food-handlers/training/online.aspx

Online courses approved by the American National Standards Institute: https://www.ansi.org

Other Nationally Recognized Certified Food Manager Exams

ServSafe

Online curriculum. Exam is offered online or in-person. Paper based languages – English, Spanish, Chinese, Japanese, French Canadian, and Lg Print. Course hours can vary (6-14 hours). http://www.servsafe.com 800-765-2122 ext 6703

National Registry of Food Safety Professionals

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Online curriculum. Exam is offered online or in-person. (offered in English and Spanish). Paper based languages – English, Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese, modern and traditional Chinese, Arabic, and Japanese. Must be proctored.

http://www.nrfsp.com/ 800-446-0257

Certified Food Manager Exams only valid in Texas

The below three exams are not nationally accredited. They can be completed online without a proctor.

Food Guard: http://www.servsafe.com/ss/FoodGuard/index.aspx, 800-765-2122 ext 6703

Learn 2 Serve: http://www.learn2serve.com/texas-food-safety-certification, 888-360-8764

FMC - Grayson County Health Department: http://foodmanagerclasses.com/Home, 903-813-4188

360training.com Inc/Learn2Serv: http://www.360training.com/store, 888-360-8764