

Food Safety Education Certification Program

Article 20-C of the New York Agriculture & Markets Law was recently amended to establish a food safety education certification requirement for certain retail food stores which prepare food on the premises.

The amendments would require, with certain exceptions for small establishments, that every retail food store that applies for a food processing establishment license furnish evidence that an individual from within the store has been recognized as having completed an approved food safety education program. The license application will be required to be accompanied by documentation which demonstrates that this food safety education requirement has been met. In most cases this documentation will be a certificate indicating an individual in a position of management or control has attended an approved course. A failure to comply with the education requirements would result in the denial of the food processing license.

This requirement does not apply to a food store that has as its only full time employees the owner or the parent, spouse or child of the owner, or in addition not more than two full time employees. It would also not apply to a food store that has annual gross sales in the previous calendar year of less than \$3,000,000, unless the food store is part of a network of subsidiaries, affiliates or other member stores, under direct or indirect control, which, as a group, had annual gross sales of the previous calendar year of \$3,000,000 or more.

Approved Online Food Safety Education Program Providers:

State Food Safety Certification Program On-Line Edition and Tracking Service

Food Industry Alliance of New York State, Inc.

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Albany, NY 12210

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Cazenovia, NY 13035

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<http://www.nelsonfarms.org/training.aspx>

National Association of Convenience Stores (NACS)

Paster Training, Inc.

25 Swinehart Rd

Gilbertsville, Pa 19525

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1595 South Mount Joy St, Suite 108
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717-366-4253 (Fax) 866-626-8975
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8745 W. Higgins Road, Suite 350
Chicago, IL 60631
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(Phone) 773-695-2611 (Fax) 773-693-9178
<http://retaillearning.net/faq-items/new-york-food-safety-and-sanitation-fp00040>

Approved Classroom Food Safety Education Providers:**Krasdale Foods, Inc. Food Safety Training Program**

Administered by Alpha 1 Marketing Corporation
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Public offerings as well as on-site classes are available throughout Western New York

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For New York classes contact:
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New York Association of Service Stations & Repair Shops, Inc.

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Food Marketing Institute

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