

# CERTIFICATION

Food Code Sections 2-201.11; 2-102.12

## Who Needs Certification (Certified Food Protection Manager or CFPM)?

All food service establishments, except Category III facilities, shall be under the operational supervision of a Person in Charge (PIC) who is a Certified Food Protection Manager (CFPM). Food Protection Manager certification is usually comprised of an eight (8) hour course followed by a proctored exam.

- Category I facilities shall have a designated PIC on the premises **at all times** that is a Certified Food Protection Manager.
- Category II facilities shall have a designated PIC on the premises **at all times** that is a Certified Food Protection Manager.
- Category III facilities shall have a designated PIC on the premises at all times, but the PIC is NOT required to be a Certified Food Protection Manager.

## Who Needs Training (Food Handler/Allergen)?

- **Food Handler Training:** Category I, II, and III facilities shall provide proof that all paid employees who meet the definition of a food handler (an individual working with unpackaged food, food equipment or utensils, or food-contact surfaces) and are NOT Certified Food Protection Managers have completed Food Handler Training within 30 days of hire.
- **Allergen Awareness Training:** All required Certified Food Protection Managers shall have completed additional Allergen Training and must provide proof during inspections.

## How do I find ANSI Approved Training?

- **Our Web Site (CFPM/Food Handler/Allergen):**  
<http://www.pcchd.org/154/Licensing-Certification-Training>
- **CFPM:** <http://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/food-safety/fssmc>



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