

## How to Obtain a LDH Food Safety Certificate (with the Gold Seal)

According to the Title 51 Sanitary Code, Part XXIII. Retail Food Establishments, Section 305, food establishments must have a representative who holds a state issued Food Safety Certificate. Some exceptions apply.



### Step 1:

Take an 8 hour Food Safety Manager Course and Proctored Exam to obtain the Food Protection Manager Certificate. For a list of local providers of the class and exam, go to our website, [www.eatsafe.la.gov](http://www.eatsafe.la.gov) Or Choose an ANAB-Conference for Food Protection Accredited Testing Company below to schedule the course and proctored exam

<b>1) ServSafe</b>	<a href="http://www.servsafe.com">www.servsafe.com</a>	<b>1-800-765-2122</b>
<b>2) National Registry of Food Safety Professionals</b>	<a href="http://www.nrfsp.com">www.nrfsp.com</a>	<b>1-800-446-0257</b>
<b>3) Learn2Serve(360 Training )</b>	<a href="http://www.360training.com">www.360training.com</a>	<b>1-877-881-2235</b>
<b>4) State Food Safety</b>	<a href="http://www.statefoodsafety.com">www.statefoodsafety.com</a>	<b>1-801-494-1416</b>
<b>5) The Always Food Safe Company, LLC</b>	<a href="http://www.alwaysfoodsafety.com">www.alwaysfoodsafety.com</a>	<b>1-844-312-2011</b>
<b>6) 1 AAA Food Safety</b>	<a href="http://www.1aaafoodhandler.com">www.1aaafoodhandler.com</a>	<b>1-714-592-4100</b>
<b>7) EduClasses</b>	<a href="http://www.educlasses.org">www.educlasses.org</a>	<b>1-903-893-3717</b>
<b>8) World Food Safety Organization</b>	<a href="http://academy.worldfoodsafety.org">academy.worldfoodsafety.org</a>	<b>313-580-2823</b>
<b>9) Responsible Training</b>	<a href="http://www.responsibletraining.com">www.responsibletraining.com</a>	<b>866-409-9190</b>

### Step 2:

Apply for the LDH Food Safety Manager Certificate (required gold seal certificate) :

#### A) Apply online:

- 1) Go to the [eatsafe.la.gov](http://eatsafe.la.gov) homepage under “Food Safety Certificate Information” and click on “Apply Online for Food Safety Certificate” <https://la.accessgov.com/oph/Forms/Page/food-safety-certification/order-form/>
- 2) Select “New” certificate to generate the \$25.00 fee and complete the Application
- 3) Upload a PDF copy of the testing certificate

#### B) Apply by mail:

- 1) Fill out the “Paper Application” found on [eatsafe.la.gov](http://eatsafe.la.gov) under “Food Safety Certificate information”
- 2) Provide a \$25.00 company check or money order written out to LDH
- 3) Provide a copy of the Food Protection Manager Certificate from an accredited testing company
- 4) Mail to: Louisiana Department of Health: Attn: Retail Food  
P.O. Box 4489 Bin 10 Box 10  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4489

**Please allow approximately 7-10 business days for processing once the application is received**

**Failure to complete the application packet will delay processing**

Duplicate certificates may be awarded in the event the applicant no longer holds the original. Apply with a fee of \$12.50 .

You may reach our office by calling 225-342-7773 or 225-342-7688.