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# Does your Facility have a Food Safety Certificate Holder?

According to **Sections 113947.1 – 113947.5 of the California Health and Safety Code (CHSC)** each food facility shall have an “owner or employee who has successfully passed an approved and accredited food safety certification examination. There shall be at least one **Food Safety Certified** owner or employee at each food facility that prepares or handles unpackaged potentially hazardous food. No certified person at a food facility may serve at any other food facility as the certified person.” The Food Safety Certificate holder shall train other employees according to their duties in safe food handling, preparation, and service.

- The certificate expires five years from the date of original issuance. Certified individuals shall be recertified every five years. If a food facility changes ownership or loses a certified person, that food facility shall have 60 days to obtain another certified person.

Information may be accessed by calling the California Restaurant Association at 1-800-765-4842, or on the Internet at **calrest.org** and the National Restaurant Association at **NRAEF.org**. Both of these sites can help with books review material and online study assistance for the class and exam. Health Departments from other counties, Red Cross, Sysco, NSF and other commercial institutions offer classes. Here is a list of some providers.

Mendocino County Health Department:	1-707-234-6625
Sonoma County Health Department: Food Safety Program	1-707-565-6565
Yuba College (Clearlake Campus)	1-707-995-7900
AAA Food Handler Training School: (English, Spanish)	1-877-222-3487 (aaafoodhandler.com)
American Food Safety Institute:	1-800-723-3873 (americanfoodsafety.com)
E Food Card Training Program	1-888-243-0222 (efoodcard.com)
Food Safety Now! (English, Spanish, Chinese)	1-800-396-1417 (food-safety-now.com)
Safe-at-the-Plate:	1-877-881-2235 (learn2serv.com)
All About Safe Food	1-707-480-7061 (allaboutsafefood.com)
Food Manager Certification	1-877-881-2235 (foodmanageronline.com)
ServSafe	1-800-765-2122 (servsafe.com)
Premier Food Safety	1-800-676-3121 (premierfoodsafety.com)

**According to CHSC Sections 113947.1 to 113947.5 inclusive, the law considers this violation an infraction and allows a fine of not more than \$100.00 for each day of operation in violation.**

Please provide our office with a copy of the Food Safety Certification for your food facility file record. If you have any questions or concerns, we can be reached at (707) 263-1164.