Food Safety Training
Frequently Asked Questions

Who is required to complete the Level One certification in food protection training?

Level One certification in food protection training is required by the following:

1. At least one Person-In-Charge per shift for new Risk Level I, II, III, and IV food service operations and retail food establishments licensed after March 1, 2010.
2. At least one Person-In-Charge per shift for any food service operation or retail food establishment that has been involved in a foodborne illness outbreak.
3. All Persons-In-Charge of any food service operation or retail food business when the Wayne County Board of Health has applied action against the food service operation or retail food establishment license.

Of course, anyone wishing to complete this course is urged to do so!

How long is the Level One certification in food protection course?

Level One certification in food protection course lasts 2 hours.

Who is required to complete the Level Two certification in food protection training?

As of March 1, 2017, all Risk Level III and IV food service operations and retail food establishments must have one Person-In-Charge, who has supervisory, and management duties and permission to direct and control food preparation and service, obtain Level Two certification in food protection.

How long is the Level Two certification in food protection course?

This class consists of 15 hours of course instruction. Students must pass a multiple choice exam in order to obtain Level Two certification in food protection.

What is the cost for certification in food protection training?

Cost for training varies according to course provider. For a list of approved course providers, go to: http://www.healthspace.com/Clients/Ohio/Ohio_Website_Live.nsf/FoodCertifications.xsp
When are courses offered locally that I could attend?

Both Level One and Level Two certifications in food protection courses are offered throughout the year. Contact the Environmental Health Unit at (330)-264-2426 for information about future course dates or to register.

Is there an approved online certification in food protection training course?

Yes. Level One certification in food protection training may be completed online at www.servsafe.com/starters ($15.00) or www.statefoodsafety.com ($12.00). Be sure to print your certification and keep it on file at the food service operation or retail food establishment.

Level Two certification in food protection training may also be completed online at: https://www.servsafe.com/access/SS/Catalog/ProductDetail/SSMCT6

Cost for the online course is $125.00. When you complete the ServSafe® manager online course, you will need to find an approved proctor to administer the exam. For those that pass the exam, a certificate from the Ohio Department of Health will be mailed and you will need to provide a copy to the Environmental Health Unit of the Wayne County Health Department.

May I retake the exam if I do not receive a passing score of 75%?

Yes. If you fail your first exam, you may retake the exam whenever you are ready to do so.