



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

MISSISSIPPI MANUFACTURED FOOD BULLETIN

2021

VIOLATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS FROM INSPECTIONS

Every year the MSDH Division of Food Protection-Manufactured Food conducts inspection audits to determine the most marked violations and discussion items from the previous year. For 2020 most violations and discussion items concerned general sanitation of processing and storage areas including plants and grounds, labeling, and FDA Food Facility Registration.

- For help determining if you are required to register your food firm with the FDA click [here](#)
- For Labeling Guidance click [here](#)

FREE PREVENTIVE CONTROLS QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL TRAINING

MSDH in partnership with Dr. Juan Silva, Ph.D. will be offering a Preventive Controls Qualified Individual (PCQI) Training course free of charge for any Mississippi resident. This course will meet the requirements of the Food Safety Modernization Act that requires every facility subject to preventive controls to have at least one trained or experienced person who has completed a specialized training course. In conjunction with the PCQI course there will also be available a short course for refrigerated warehouses that are solely engaged in the storage of unexposed packaged foods refrigerated for safety.

More information will be coming soon.

QUALIFIED FACILITY ATTESTATION FOR HUMAN FOOD FACILITY

The FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) established requirements for hazard analysis and risk-based preventive controls for facilities that produce food for humans and animals. Under FSMA, a “Qualified Facility” is a facility that is considered exempt from parts of the PCHF Rule, specifically Requirements for Hazard Analysis and Risk-Based Preventive Controls (Subpart C) and Requirements for a Supply-Chain Program (Subpart G). However, a qualified facility is still subject to modified requirements (Subpart D). These modified requirements include the requirement that the facility submit a form to FDA, attesting to its status as a “qualified facility”. Facilities must have a valid food facility registration to submit their attestation.

- For help determining if your facility meets the definition of a “qualified facility” under 21 CFR Part 117 and what records you need to keep click [here](#)
- For instructions on submitting your attestation using form FDA 3942a click [here](#)

You are required to submit an attestation to the FDA if you are a Qualified Facility.

DON'T FORGET!

You can now pay permit fees online. Go to www.ms.gov/msdh/environmental/food, enter your Permit ID and click continue. If you have any problems, contact mfgfoods@msdh.ms.gov.