

Food Safety Testing Organizations Recognized by the D.C. Department of Health:

The D.C. Department of Health (DOH) will accept an original certificate of passing a food safety exam from one of the following food safety testing organizations:

1. National Registry of Food Safety Professionals

Certified Food Safety Manager Exam

Telephone: 800-446-0257

Website: <http://www.hrtsonline.net/index.html>

Price: \$12.95

Length: Approximately 1-2 hours online course and examination

Once you register and pay for your course, you will have 14 days to complete it. There are 40 questions that test your knowledge of the subject material. You must answer at least 70% of the questions correctly to finish the course. The program allows you to review and retake the section exams as many times as you need to in order to achieve the 70% passing grade (within the 14 day subscription period). Your National Registry of Food Safety Professionals TM certificate of completion and ID card will be processed for mailing within 24 hours of completing the course. You will also have the option of printing a temporary certificate upon course completion.

2. Prometric

Certified Professional Food Manager Exam

Telephone: 800-624-2736

Website: <http://www.prometric.com/TestTakers/default.htm>

Prometric provides various training and testing programs in the District of Columbia. Visit the following website for a listing of programs:

<http://www.prometric.com/foodsafety/district%20of%20columbia.htm>

3. Restaurant Association Metropolitan Washington

Food Safety Manager Exam

Telephone: 202-331-5990

Website: <http://www.ramwtraining.org/>

Price: \$200.00

Length: one-day, 8-hour intensive certification course

Program offers course, study materials and exam. Participants are encouraged to pick-up their textbook and review the material before their scheduled course and exam date. You also have the option to take the Pre-Test and Practice exam available online. Participants must register and pay for the course in advance. This is a non-refundable, yet transferable payment.

***Trainings are also offered at many universities and other training organizations. Be sure to ask or check with DOH to ensure that it is an approved training course. ***

To obtain a DOH-Issued Certified Food Protection Manager/Food Safety Manager Certificate:

For a first-time applicant, bring the following documents to the DOH Processing Center:

1. The original certificate and test score from the training organization that indicates successful completion of course and examination.
2. Two (2) forms of identification, one of which must be a photo ID such as driver's license, passport, school ID...etc.
3. Check or money order for \$35.00, payable to DC Treasurer. **NO CASH.**

For Renewals, you must:

1. Take the exam every three (3) years
2. Bring the original certificate and test score with you along with your expired Certified Food Protection Manager Identification Card
3. One (1) form of identification
4. Check or money order for \$35.00, payable to DC Treasurer. **NO CASH.** The replacement cost of current lost card is \$15.00.

When all required documents are submitted, DOH will issue a certificate with two parts. Hang large section of certificate in a visible location. Cut wallet size laminated certificate and have available during business hours. DOH-issued certificate and photo ID must be available for inspection.

DOH Processing Center Location:

899 North Capitol Street, NE
Second Floor
Washington, DC 20002
(202) 535-2180

Hours of Operation:

Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:15 am – 4:45 pm
Service Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm