



# Florida Regulatory Requirements:

## Florida Department of Agriculture:

Regulates: Convenience stores, fast food establishments located inside of gas stations; grocery stores; factories and manufacturing/processing/packing/preparation facilities. If you already have a food manager certificate issued by the FL Dept. of Health or the Dept. of Business & Professional Regulation, you are considered certified until that certificate expires.

All food service managers who are responsible for the storage, preparation, display and serving of foods to the public must successfully pass a Food Manager Certification examination. Each licensed establishment shall have at least one certified food manager.

## Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation:

Regulates: hotels, restaurants. Certifications issued prior to 02/15/2001 by the U. of South Florida, the division's former vendor, will be honored through the expiration date on the card (Univ. of S. FL certification is accepted in Florida only).

Mandatory. Each establishment must have at least one certified food manager, who must pass an approved exam. Food Managers will have 30 days to obtain certification. As of 01/01/01, all food handlers who are responsible for storage, preparation, display, or service of foods must be certified.

## Florida Department of Health:

Regulates: Institutional facilities (hospitals, nursing homes), child care facilities (other than snacks), schools, hospitals, bars, lounges & fraternal civic organizations, mobile food units, facilities used at temporary food events, mobile food units, and vending machines at any of these facilities. If you already have a food manager certificate issued by the FL Dept. of Agriculture or the Dept. of Business & Professional Regulation, you are considered certified until that certificate expires.

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