FSSC 22000 Scheme

The Food Safety System Certification (FSSC 22000) for food and feed safety/quality management is an internationally recognized scheme for food safety certification applicable to all organizations in the food chain, regardless of size and complexity. This scheme sets out requirements to develop, implement and operate a food safety management system.

BSI certifies to the following FSSC categories:

- Processing of perishable animal products
- Processing of perishable plant products
- Processing of perishable animal and plant products (mixed products)
- Processing of ambient stable products
- Provision of transport and storage services for perishable food and feed
- Provision of transport and storage services for ambient stable food, feed and packaging materials
- Production of food packaging and packaging material
- Production of (bio)chemicals

FSSC 22000 requirements reflect industry best practice and are made up of a series of separate components audited as a single system including:

- ISO 22000 Food Safety Management System – requirements for any organization in the food chain
- Industry-specific ISO and PAS Pre-requisite Programs (PRPs)
- Additional scheme requirements for site services, personnel, supplied materials, food defense, food fraud prevention, allergen management and food labelling

Benefits of FSSC 22000

**FSSC 22000 implementation benefits**

- Provides a systematic methodology to effectively identify and manage food safety risks
- ISO-based certification model can be used across the whole food supply chain
- Recognized by the GFSI and by the European cooperation for Accreditation (EA)
- Flexibility allowing you to determine how your business will meet the scheme requirements for the structure and documentation of your food safety management system

**FSSC 22000 operational benefits**

- Facilitates internal benchmarking and management through consistent application across multiple/ international sites
- Promotes the review of and continual improvement of your food safety management system

**FSSC 22000 organizational benefits**

- Shows your commitment to food safety, providing confidence to your customers
- Improved employee engagement, increasing awareness of food risks and promotion of safety
- Commitment to continuous improvement of the food safety system and its performance

**Achievable**

FSSC 22000 takes a risk-based, systems approach, providing organizations with a clear path towards achieving certification. Many food businesses throughout the supply chain have sought and maintained certification to ISO 22000, with certification to the FSSC 22000 scheme the next logical step towards best practice food safety certification.

**Supported by customers**

Many food industry organisations support the FSSC 22000 scheme as industry best practice for food safety and actively seek this GFSI certification as a pre-requisite to their supplier approval process.

**Cost effective**

Industry recognized and accepted certification reduces the need for and expense of duplicate audits. Audits are completed by local BSI-trained and approved auditors to enable an internationally accepted standard to be audited at local rates.
The journey to certification

Whether you’re ready for the next step in best practice food safety management or you’re more concerned about meeting the requirements of your customers or protecting consumers, certifying to the FSSC 22000 Scheme can drive meaningful change in your organization. From an initial introduction to the standard through to training and certification, no matter how far along you are, BSI can support your journey. Want to know more about the requirements of the standard, the steps to certification or how BSI is here to help? Email us at food@bsigroup.com

Training courses for FSSC 22000

Our tutors provide the knowledge and skills you need to effectively develop, implement and maintain the FSSC 22000 scheme. Our food safety training courses are regularly revised and updated to reflect current industry expectations and our delivery techniques will make sure that you fully understand the intent and application of the criteria for the FSSC 22000 Scheme. Courses include:

- Understanding FSSC 22000
- FSSC 22000 Implementation
- FSSC 22000 Internal Auditor
- FSSC 22000 Lead Auditor
- Guide to Writing a HACCP Plan
- Understanding and Improving your Culture of Food Safety
- Food Fraud Prevention (VACCP)
- PAS 96:2017 Food Defence (TACCP)

We also offer training to support you in implementing the requirements:

- Pre-assessment or GAP assessment (optional)

We also offer training to support you in implementing the requirements:

- Food safety system development
- Application
- Stage one certification audit
- Stage two certification audit
- Surveillance audit one
- Surveillance audit two
- Re-certification

Why BSI?

BSI believes the world deserves safe, sustainable and socially responsible food. We offer a broad range of certification and risk management services to help organizations in the food and retail supply chain mitigate risk, protect their brands and build resilient supply chains.

With 90 offices around the world, we are a leading food safety and certification provider with the capacity and capability to provide integrated services for a wide range of food safety and business improvement standards across the entire food and retail supply chain; including GFSI-recognized standards.

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