



City of Austin

**AUSTIN/TRAVIS COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION**

Environmental and Consumer Health Unit
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<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/health/commercial.htm>



Travis County

Walk-in Services: 1520 Rutherford LN, NE corner of Rutherford Ln @ Cameron RD, Building 1 East Entrance

FOOD HANDLER REGISTRATION

Food Handler Program 512-978-0300

For more details and to verify Food Handler registration visit our website:

http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/health/commercial_food_handler.htm

A Food Handler registration is required for any employee that meets the following definition: a Food Enterprise employee who works with unpackaged food, food equipment, food utensils, or food contact surfaces. Food Handlers will have to register every two years.

The following food employees will not be required to become a Registered Food Handler:

- A Food Enterprise employee with a valid City of Austin issued Food Manager Certificate.
- A Food Enterprise employee working in unincorporated areas of Travis County.

Operators of Food Enterprises are required at the time of permit renewal to provide a [list](#) of all employees with their date of birth and shall indicate which Food Handlers and Food Managers are registered with Austin by including their registration number.

2 Options for City of Austin Food Handler Registration

Option A- Training with a City of Austin Vendor

Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Dept. (ATCHHSD) has contracted with a vendor to offer on-line Food Handler Training for Food Enterprise employees in the City of Austin. Training is offered in multiple languages and you will automatically be registered with the City of Austin upon completion of the training.

Online Food Handler Training

Website: <http://www.statefoodsafety.com/food-handler/texas/austin-city>

Online Classes available in English, Spanish and Mandarin.

For **Group Purchases** of online training or online questions call 512/692-9685

\$20 Fee includes training, automatic 2 year registration with the City of Austin and a Food Handler Card.

Option B- Training from an Outside Vendor

To be registered at City of Austin using a Food Handler Training approved by the Texas Dept. of State Health Services (<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/foodestablishments/handler.shtm>) submit proof of training along with a City of Austin Food Handler Reciprocity Application and **\$10** to: ECHU – PO BOX 1088., Austin, TX 78767.