

Course Title: Sprouter Training Blended Course Part 2

Course Description: The FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule establishes science-based minimum standards for the safe growing, harvesting, packing, and holding of certain produce grown for human consumption. Unless specifically exempt or excluded, sprout growing operations are subject to the Produce Safety Rule including the sprout-specific requirements in subpart M.

This one-day course is held in conjunction with the International Sprout Growers Association (ISGA) Annual Convention. It is Part 2 of the SSA Blended Course. The Blended course consists of two parts. Part 1 is online and Part 2 is instructor-led. Both parts must be completed in order to obtain a certificate. Upon successful completion of this course, you will receive your SSA Training Course CERTIFICATE. The SSA training course will be helpful in understanding and implementing the Produce Safety Rule requirements and best practices for enhancing sprout safety.

Prerequisite: You must complete Part 1 of the Blended Course (i.e., SSA Online Course) within the past six months before taking this course (i.e., Part 2). You should plan 8 – 12 hours to take Part 1- the Online Course. The Online Course gives you flexibility of starting and stopping at the end of each module along the way—it does not have to be continuous. For instructions of completing Part I of the Blended Courses (i.e., SSA Online Course), please visit: https://www.ifsh.iit.edu/ssa/resources/ssa-training.

We recommended you to refer to the course manual: SSA Training Curriculum 2nd Edition "<u>Safer Sprout Production for Produce Safety Rule Compliance</u>" when taking Part 1. It is available for free download by clicking the hyperlink. Hardcopy is also available for purchase from the <u>FSPCA bookstore website</u>.

Please bring the followings to the class:

- 1. SSA course manual (No manual will be provided at the class); and
- 2. Proof of your <u>completion</u> of Part 1 (i.e., a completion email received after completing the Online Course).

Who may attend this course?

Sprout growers, seed distributors, federal and state regulators, and individuals who are interested in sprout safety

Registration links:

Part 1:

https://lms.ifpti.org/#/search/all/63cb399b-281e-49c4-9455-c9b84d5b6efd

Part 2:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sprouter-training-blended-course-part-2-tickets-42759423587

Cost to attend:

Part 1-Online Course: \$198; Part 2: \$375 per person

Course Date:



April 27, 2018 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Note: Registration will be closed on April 20, 2018.

Course Location:

Chatham Bars Inn, 297 Shore Rd., Chatham, MA 02633

Travel: Travel will be on your own expense.

Nearby Airport: Boston, MA

Hotel: You may book any hotel. The following hotel is where the course is held.

Chatham Bars Inn

297 Shore Rd., Chatham, MA 02633

Tel: 508-945-0096

Lunch:

Lunch, drinks and light snacks will be provided.

Contact information:

- 1. For questions regarding the training registration, please contact the SSA at sproutalliance@iit.edu.
- 2. For questions regarding logistics, please contact Rich Wolfe at richard.r.wolfe@gmail.com or Office@isga-sprouts.org.
- 2. For questions regarding Online Course registration and your certificate, please contact IFPTI LMS Administrator at LMSAdmin@ifpti.org or (269) 441-2275.