

Grayson County Health Department

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Environmental Health Division

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INFORMATION FACT SHEET: FOOD MANAGER and FOOD HANDLER PERMITS

REQUIREMENTS

Permit Cards:

- All employees must have permit cards **PRIOR** to starting work. No grace periods.
- Permit cards shall be current and be issued by the Grayson County Health department.
- Original permit cards shall be available during inspections.
- Replacement cards are issued for a \$5 fee (no fee if receipt presented)
- Penalty: **Citation issued for noncompliance.**

Food Manager: All food establishments preparing or serving potentially hazardous food shall have at least one certified food service manager on duty during each shift. The manager shall have successfully completed a food service manager course (see Classes below). **A copy of the course certificate shall be submitted to the Grayson County Health Department with a registration fee of \$50 (a Grayson County permit card will be issued as verification of registration).** The managers are not required to have a food handler permit.

Food Handler: All food handlers (chefs, cooks, butchers, waitresses, waiters, bakers, bar persons, bus persons, dishwashers, delivery drivers, persons handling ice or any other type of open food or beverage, etc.) shall have a food handler permit. Children under 14 years of age are not allowed in food preparation. All current federal child labor laws are applicable. **Food handler permits obtained outside Grayson County are transferable from state approved course in our Denison office for a \$15.00 fee.**

Temporary Events: All workers shall have a permit (see table below). Valid food handler permits obtained outside Grayson County may be recognized for temporary events.

- **Food Handler:** Online at <http://graysoncotx.foodhandlerclasses.com/>. Take any time at a computer with internet access. Permit may be printed after successful completion. \$20
- **Spanish Food Handler** class is held every 3rd Thursday of the month at 3:30 pm (Denison location). \$20– Registration begins at 3pm.
- **Food Handler via classroom:** Located at 205 N. Houston Street; Denison, TX. ***Class will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 3:30 p.m.*** Length of class 1.5-2 hours. \$20– Registration begins at 3pm

Other Information		Telephone	Time	Cost	Expiration
Food Manager/ Handler	Texoma Foodservice Training	903-815-1286	Call	Call	5 years
	Other State Approved Locations/On-line	512-458-7111	Call	Call	5 years
Temporary Events	Option1: One food manager permit Option 2: Food handler cards for all workers	903-465-2878	8am-5pm Denison office	\$35	14 days consecutive