



## FOOD HANDLER CLASS OPTIONS

### → Option 1 – Attend a Class at Lewisville City Hall

- Class participants will view an instructional video (approximately 35 minutes long) then take a brief test.
- Participants should plan to arrive at least 5 minutes before the class start time to register. Those who arrive after the class start time will *not* be admitted.
- Pre-registration is required *only* for groups of 10 employees or more.
- Children are *not* allowed in the classroom.

Class Schedules		
ENGLISH	Mondays	8:30am and 10:30am
	Wednesdays	1:00pm and 3:00pm
SPANISH	Tuesdays	8:30am and 10:30am
	Thursdays	1:00pm and 3:00pm



### → Option 2 – Borrow an Instructional Video

- A State Certified Food Manager may borrow the approved video in both English and Spanish formats. A deposit is required for each video borrowed.
- All video deposits are refundable once the video has been returned within 24 hours. Videos borrowed on a Friday may be kept until 5pm the following Monday without penalty.
- A late fee shall be administered per day for videos that are not returned on the designated due date. If the video is late for more than ten (10) days, the deposit fee will be forfeited to the City of Lewisville. If the video is lost, stolen, or damaged, the deposit will be forfeited to the City of Lewisville.

Video Rental Information	
Deposit	\$75.00 per video borrowed, cash or check only
Late Fee	\$5.00 per day, excluding weekends
**Managers <u>must</u> bring their State Food Protection Manager's License and Driver's License with them each and every time they borrow videos from the Health Division.**	



### → Option 3 – Purchase an Instructional Video

- State Certified Food Managers may purchase a copy of the approved video to administer the class on a continual basis.
- State Certified Food Managers may obtain testing packets from the City of Lewisville Health Division. Completed tests and sign-in sheets must be returned to the City of Lewisville Health Division within 24 hours of administering the test.

Video Purchasing Information
<b><i>The Invisible Challenge</i></b>
Food Marketing Institute (FMI) ▪ 202.220.0723 ▪ <a href="http://www.fmi.org/foodsafety/">http://www.fmi.org/foodsafety/</a>

**→ Option 4 – Provide Photocopies of State-Accredited Food Handlers Certifications to the Lewisville Health Division**

- Employees may take a Food Handler training course which is accredited by the Texas Department of State Health Services in lieu of taking the Lewisville-approved Food Handler Training course, *The Invisible Challenge*.
- State Certified Food Managers must ensure that state-approved certifications OR photocopies of state-approved certifications are on site at the food establishment at all times.
- Upon renewal of the food establishment's annual Health Permit, a State Certified food Manager shall provide the Health Division with photocopies of all state-approved certifications currently on file with the food establishment.
- The Health Division will print official Lewisville Food Handler cards for employees with state-approved certifications. Cards will be hand-delivered by a Sanitarian to a State Certified Food Manger at the food establishment.

**\* For more information about state-accredited Food Handler certification courses, visit the Texas Department of State Health Services website at:**

<http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/foodestablishments/handler.shtm>

**\* Visit links:**

- Accredited Food Handler Training Programs
- Accredited Food Handler Training Programs “Sample Certificates”
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
- Accredited Classroom Training
- Accredited Online Training

**\* Special Notes:**

- Courses are offered both in a classroom setting and online.
- All courses are offered in English and Spanish. One course is also offered in Mandarin.
- Fees associated with state-approved Food Handler certification courses are not reimbursable by the City of Lewisville.
- State-approved Food Handler certifications do not supersede official City of Lewisville Food Handler cards. **City-issued cards are still required for all food establishment employees who do not possess a State Certified Food Manager's license.**
- Annual Food Handler Permit fees will continue to be assessed based on the total number of employees who do not possess a State Certified Food Manager's license.