



FOOD SAFETY RECOGNITION AWARDS 2017



Goal

NSF created these awards in order to recognize excellence in food safety and encourage companies and individuals to strive for continuous improvement and efficiency that raises the level of food safety in Canada.

Nomination Categories

An award will be presented in each of the following categories:

Food Safety Excellence

This award recognizes a company or designated site or facility with a proven commitment from the senior level management down to performance and continuous improvement in supply chain management and facility conditions.

Food Safety Leadership

This award is presented to an individual who drives food safety excellence within a company or within the industry in general and inspires others through their passion and actions.

Allied Trades Food Safety Award

This award recognizes a Canadian organization whose innovative products or services have helped the industry achieve greater levels of food safety.

General Eligibility Guidelines

To be eligible the company/facility/individual must be located in Canada (Canadian facilities of international companies are eligible). Eligible companies vary by award. Please visit the [specific award webpage](#) for full eligibility criteria. If you are unsure of your eligibility, contact NSF directly.

Criteria and Guidelines

Award applications are divided into 3 sections. Each section provides the applicant the opportunity to showcase accomplishment against that section through both a written summary (500 word max per section) and supporting documentation (up to 10 files per section). General guidelines on the application process and awards include:

- Each application will have a lead applicant who will serve as the point of contact during the submission and selection process – this person is responsible for ensuring that all requirements are met.
- Individuals and companies may submit multiple nominations provided they are for separate categories.
- Nominations are limited to companies/facilities located in Canada or in the case of the Food Safety Leadership Award, to an individual located at a Canadian organization (Canadian facilities of international organizations are eligible)
- Self-nominations are acceptable.
- Nomination information should be applicable to the selected category.
- There is no application fee.
- Winners of previous award categories must wait five years before re-applying for that same award category.



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Selection Process and Scoring

The initial screening of nominations will be conducted by NSF. Those nominations meeting all required criteria will be sent to the Selection Committee for review. The selection committee will review submissions to determine award recipients in each nomination category based on a scoring system.

Each nominee will be given a score based on the following criteria:

Food Safety Excellence

- Section #1: Food Safety Performance & Continuous Improvement (45%)
- Section #2: Food Safety Culture (35%)
- Section #3: Supply Chain Management (20%)

Food Safety Leadership

- Section #1: Promoting Excellence in Food Safety Behaviour and Culture of Their Organization or the Food and Beverage Industry (50%)
- Section #2: Active Engagement in Food Safety Outreach (35%)
- Section #3: Commitment to On-going Professional Growth in the Area of Food Safety and /or Leadership (15%)

Allied Trades Food Safety Award

- Section #1: Achieves food safety results for self and customers (50%)
- Section #2: Innovation and Development of Improved Technologies for Industry (30%)
- Section #3: Active Support of Food Industry – Participation in Outreach, Events, Conferences, Studies (20%)

Submission Requirements

All submissions are required to provide a minimum of the following in order to be considered for an award.

- A complete NSF Food Safety Awards on-line nomination form
- 500-word (maximum) summary for each award section should clearly demonstrate accomplishment in that particular section
- General items to consider for the summary include:
 - o Attachments of appropriate support documentation (e.g. audit report cover page, photos, testimonials, etc.)
 - o Result (What were/are the results of the contribution?)
 - o Impact (What areas were affected by this change?)
 - o Effectiveness (How well did the contribution work?)

All submissions are to be submitted using the online form which is open from September 1 to October 30, 2016. Applicants will receive an email notifying them that their submission was received by NSF.

For questions please contact Scott Arnald at 519-821-1246 ext. 6402 or email sarnald@nsf.org

Deadline Submission

The nomination period is from September 1- October 30, 2016.