

Sec. 19a-36h-4. Certified food protection manager and alternate person in charge.

(a) Each Class 1, 2, 3, and 4 food establishment shall have a person in charge who meets the requirements of section 2-102.11 of the food code and who is on-site at the food establishment at all times the establishment is operating.

(b) At all times, a class 2, 3 and 4 food establishment is operating, the person in charge shall be a certified food protection manager, except as permitted by subsection (c) of this section, who shall:

(1) Have obtained certification as required pursuant to section 19a-36i of the Connecticut General Statutes;

(2) Maintain such certification on file at the food establishment and provide such certification to the food inspector upon request; and

(3) Be a full-time employee, and assigned as the certified food protection manager to only one food establishment.

(c) The owner or manager of each class 2, 3 and 4 food establishment shall appoint an alternate person to be in charge, when the person in charge cannot be present. The alternate person in charge shall only be utilized during non-peak hours of operation, such as an overnight shift in which no more than two employees are on-site, and there is limited or no food preparation taking place. Such appointment shall be in writing on a form prescribed by the commissioner. The alternate person in charge shall:

(1) Demonstrate the same knowledge as a certified food protection manager and carry out the responsibilities as specified in subsection (d) of section 19a-36i of the Connecticut General Statutes; and

(2) Upon request of a food inspector at the food establishment, demonstrate to the food inspector, by a means according to section 2-102.11(B) or (C) of the food code, the knowledge required under section 2-102.11(C)(1) to (17), inclusive, of the food code.

(d) The food inspector shall consider noncompliance with subsection (c) of this section a priority foundation item and shall cite such finding on the food inspection report form.

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