



# FOOD NEWS

October 2017

## Courses and Workshops

To register for these workshops, call the Ag-Info Centre at: 1-800-387-6030.

### **Pasteurizer Operator Licensing Course**

*October 24-27, 2017 – Leduc, AB*

This four-day course is designed for individuals in quality control, plant superintendents, pasteurizer operators, plant engineers, management, dairy consultants and individuals overseeing regulatory mandates. It will provide participants with knowledge on the operational and regulatory procedures used for pasteurization with an emphasis on milk. The course focuses on the components of the High Temperature Short Time (HTST) system, Vat pasteurization (VAT) and Ultra High Temperature (UHT) processing. Cost: VAT: \$380.63; HTST/VAT: \$761.15

### **Getting Into Farming Information Session**

*October 26, 2017 - Airdrie, AB*

Topics include an overview of agriculture, business planning, personal assessment, financial and land considerations. Registration deadline is October 23. Cost: \$25/person (includes lunch and refreshments).

### **Strategic Leadership Workshop**

*November 23, 2017 – Leduc, AB*

If you are food processor who would like to learn how to develop strategic leadership within your company this workshop is a must! Dr. Brynn Winegard will inform you of the skills required to master each element of successful leadership, the key issues facing leaders, and the leaders' role and core purpose.

For more information, contact [Lisa Iwanyk](#) . Registration deadline is November 10. Cost: \$30/person (includes lunch and refreshments).

### **Introduction to CanadaGap – save the dates**

*November 29, 2017 – Airdrie, AB*

*December 6 – Leduc, AB*

Are you a fruit or vegetable grower who needs to up their on-farm food safety (OFFS) game? Do you want to sell into retail or foodservice markets but need certification?

This one day workshop will help you better understand why you need some form of on-farm food safety system. For more information contact [Dustin Morton](#) or 780-679-1314.

## Events

### **Canadian Ingredients Mission to the Midwest United States**

*December 12-14, 2017*

The mission targets Canadian/Albertan suppliers of value-added food ingredients and innovative ingredient technologies interested in selling their products in the US; it will include a series of business-to-business meetings with selected US food processors. If interested in being part of this mission, please review the [itinerary](#) and send your completed application form to [Dusan Rnjak](#) before October 20, 2017.

### **Fancy Food Show**

*January 20-23, 2018 - San Francisco*

Are you a specialty food-maker? This is THE show to see global innovations and trends in specialty foods as well as the opportunity to learn from experts on pricing, distribution, future consumer movements and more. For more information, visit the show [website](#) or contact [Lindsay Sutton](#).

### **Foodex Japan**

*March 6-9, 2018*

Agriculture and Forestry is in the proposal stages for a mission to Foodex Japan, the key exhibition for value-added food and drink in the Japan market. Contact [Katie Meredith](#) to indicate your early interest and receive full details when available.

## Webinars

### **Navigating Online Food Sales Regulations**

*November 1 and November 8, 2017*

Want to sell food online to customers in Canada? In this two part series, we will help you understand the licensing and regulatory requirements for selling food online.

### **Exploring Food Hubs**

*November 22, 2017*

Have you ever wondered what food hubs are all about? We will introduce you to the food hub concept, the benefits provided and how you might start a food hub.

For more information, go on [Explore Local Events webpage](#). To register for both webinars, click on this [link](#)

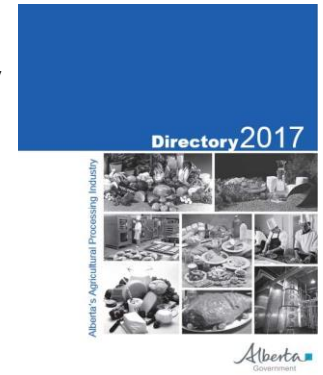
## Alberta's Agricultural Processing Industry Directory

Every year Alberta Agriculture and Forestry updates the Alberta Agricultural Processing Industry Directory. The directory has been developed for use by the business community, government agencies, and other interested parties in Alberta, Canada, and internationally.

We continue to strive to ensure that the information provided is accurate and that the directory only lists active players in Alberta's processing industry.

The directory is posted online at [www.agric.gov.ab.ca](http://www.agric.gov.ab.ca) and is also available there in pdf format for printing. Inclusion in this publication is free of charge.

To ensure your company's entry is current, please go to the online directory, check your company posting, and contact [Joan Bates](#) to confirm.



## Health Canada's Notice of Modification to Prohibit Partially Hydrogenated Oils in Foods

Health Canada (HC) will prohibit the use of partially hydrogenated oils (PHOs) in foods. The prohibition will take effect on the day that PHOs are added to the "[List of Contaminants and Other Adulterating Substances in Foods](#)", which will be amended in 12 months from September 15, 2017 - the date on which HC e-published the notice of modification.

To view the "Notice of Modification - Prohibiting the Use of Partially Hydrogenated Oils (PHOs) in Foods", go to [HC webpage](#).

## Agriculture and Food Council

**FOODOVATION 2017** - November 9-10 – Edmonton

Foodovation 2017 is the premier showcase of Western Canada's leading-edge food technologies, research, products and culinary creations. This two-day hands-on summit highlights the importance of the value-chain, bringing together producers, processors, researchers, product developers, entrepreneurs and chefs in one space to pursue collaboration and celebrate innovation! [Register here!](#)

## Alberta Food Processors Association

**Want AFPA to kickstart your business opportunities in China?** Bios should be 800 words or less. Send to [tadf@afpa.com](mailto:tadf@afpa.com). Let AFPA make your bio-writing easier. Visit [China Export](#) to download our bio template.

**Lean & Green Carbon Workshop** - November 7 – Edmonton / November 8 – Calgary / November 9 – Lethbridge

This half day will talk about Alberta's carbon levy, identify areas to reduce associated costs and carbon emissions by looking at the 7 Green Wastes. Through tangible examples, receive coaching and tools to take away. Visit [Lean & Green Carbon Workshop](#)

**AFPA Webinar - How To Communicate Effectively in Any Situation** - October 25 - 12 p.m. – 90 minute length

Communicate with confidence during your next media interview, business/staff meeting, keynote speech or customer interaction. \$40 AFPA members [REGISTER](#)

## Food Safety and Quality Training

- BRC Internal Auditor – November 2-3 - Edmonton
- Verification & Validation of your Food Safety System - November 20 - Calgary
- Principles of Internal Auditing - November 21 - Calgary
- Procedure Writing & Document Control - November 22 - Calgary
- SQF Implementing - November 23-24 - Edmonton

For more information or to register, visit [Food Safety & Quality](#) webpage or contact [Melody](#) at 403-201-3657 (ext. 21)

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