

## Register for the Food Safety Certification for Specialty Crops Webinar

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Expanding Market Access: Financial Assistance through USDA's FSCSC Program

The USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) and partners are hosting a webinar for stakeholders and producers that focuses on the new Food Safety Certification for Specialty Crops (FSCSC) program. FSCSC will provide up to \$200 million in assistance for specialty crop producers who incur eligible onfarm food safety program expenses to obtain or renew a food safety certification in calendar years 2022 or 2023.

The webinar will be held on Thursday, Nov. 3, 2022, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. eastern and will be recorded. Please register in advance of the webinar at www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\_v4FQsCFLROmC8ZvuZ73VrA.

## Webinar topics include:

- FSCSC overview and eligibility requirements
- Overview of Food Safety Certification Requirements for Specialty Crops by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service and Toolkit Overview for GAP and Food Safety Plan Quality Management Systems by the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture
- · Additional resources

The FSCSC application period for 2022 runs through January 31, 2023, and the application period for 2023 will be announced at a later date.

Producers can visit <u>farmers.gov/food-safety</u> for additional program details, eligibility information and forms needed to apply.





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