

Cooking Safely for a Crowd Workshop

Regulatory Matters

Minnesota Statutes 157.22



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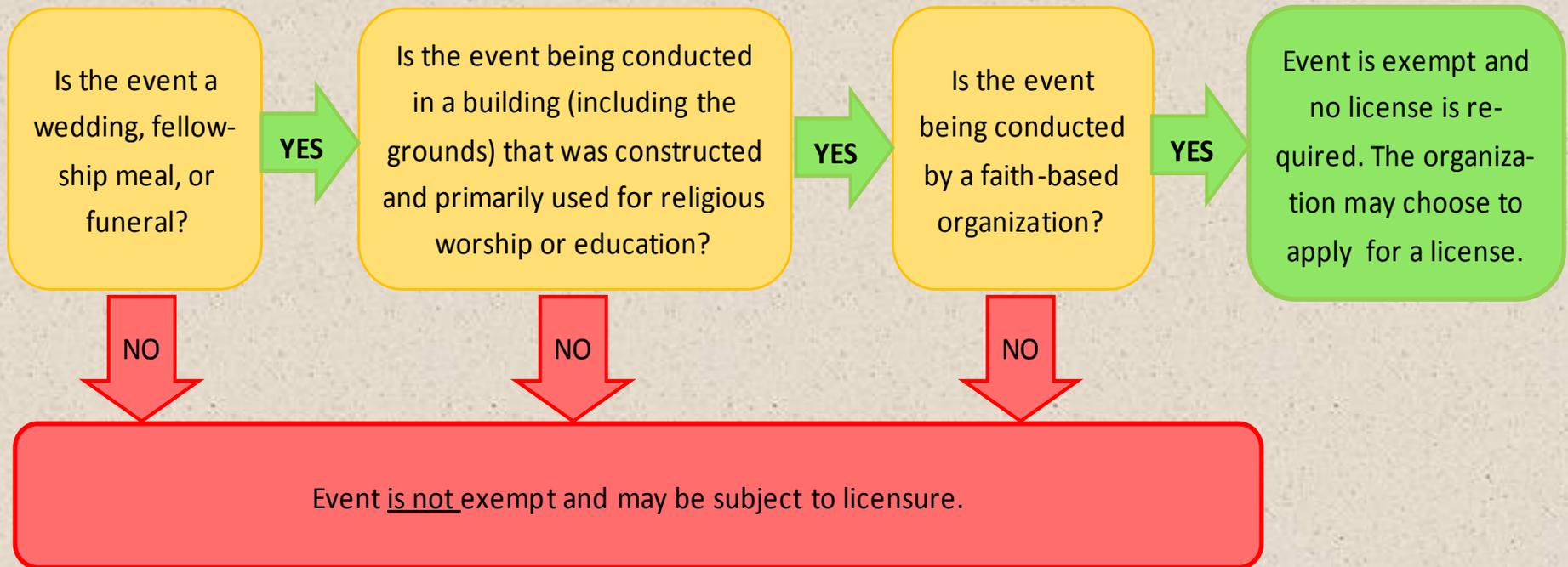
(12) food served at fund-raisers or community events conducted in the building or on the grounds of a faith-based organization, provided that a certified food manager, or a volunteer trained in a food safety course, trains the food preparation workers in safe food handling practices. This exemption does not apply to faith-based organizations at the state agricultural society or county fairs or to faith-based organizations that choose to apply for a license; and

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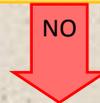
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Is the event a
wedding,
fellowship
meal, or
funeral?



Event is not exempt and may
be subject to licensure.

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Is the event being conducted in a building (including the grounds) that was constructed and primarily used for religious worship or education?

YES

NO

Event is not exempt and may be subject to licensure.

Exemption 1



Is the event
being conducted
by a faith-based
organization?

YES

NO

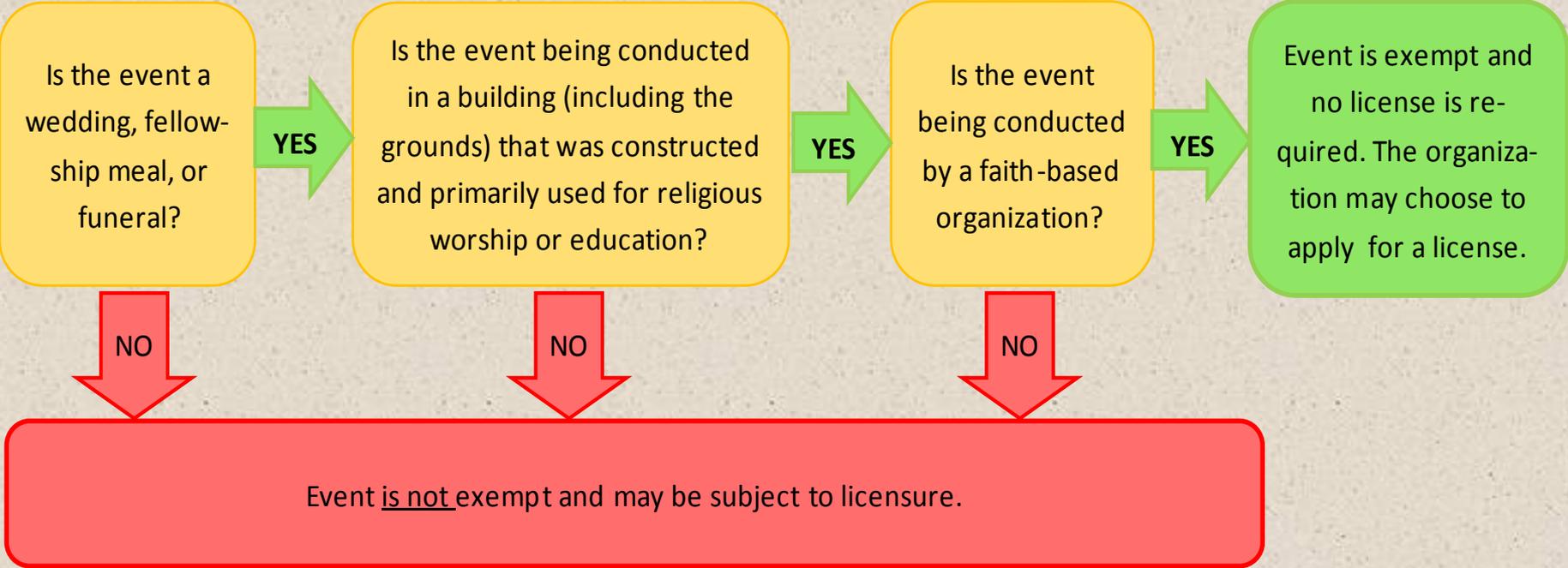
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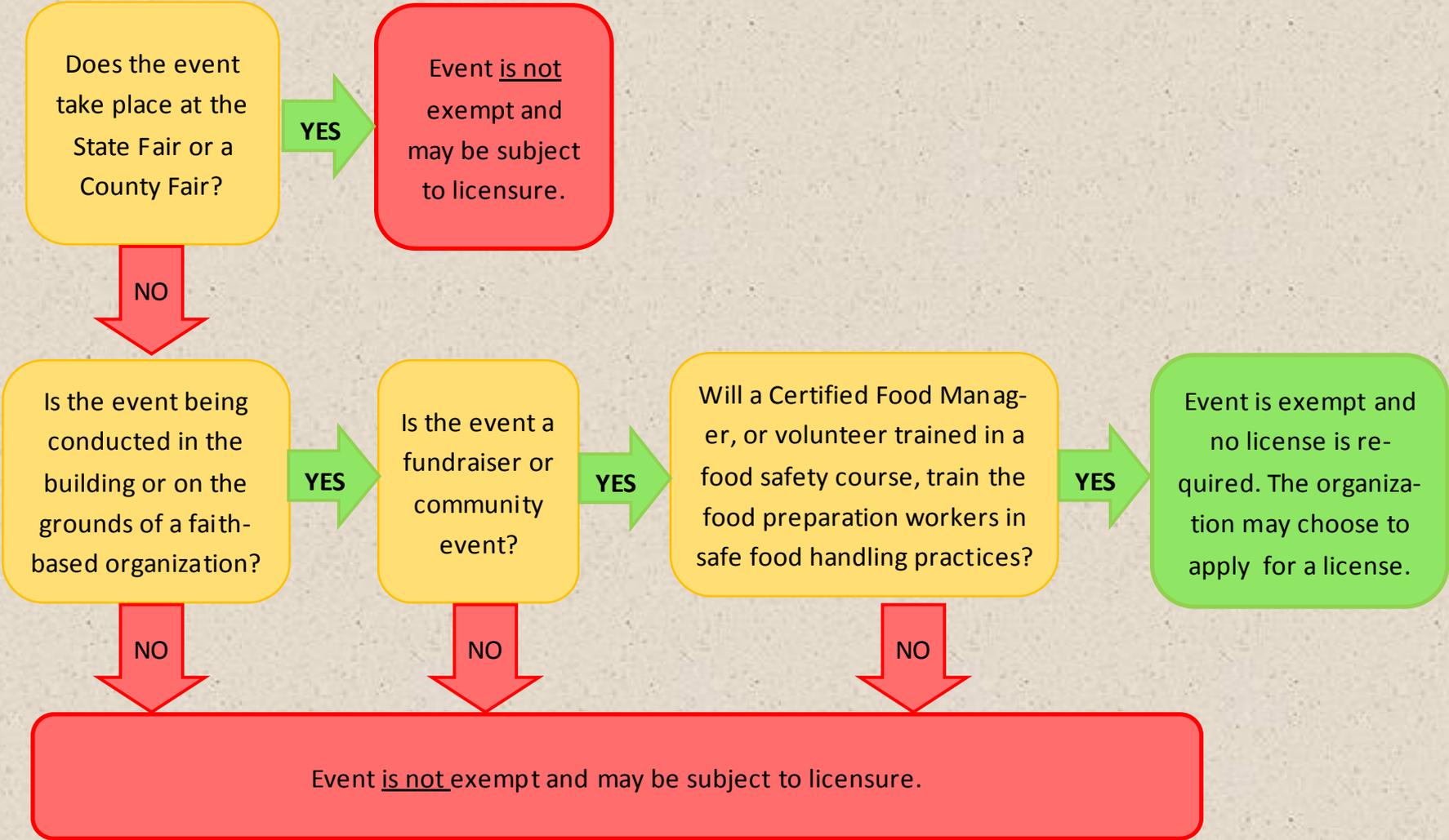


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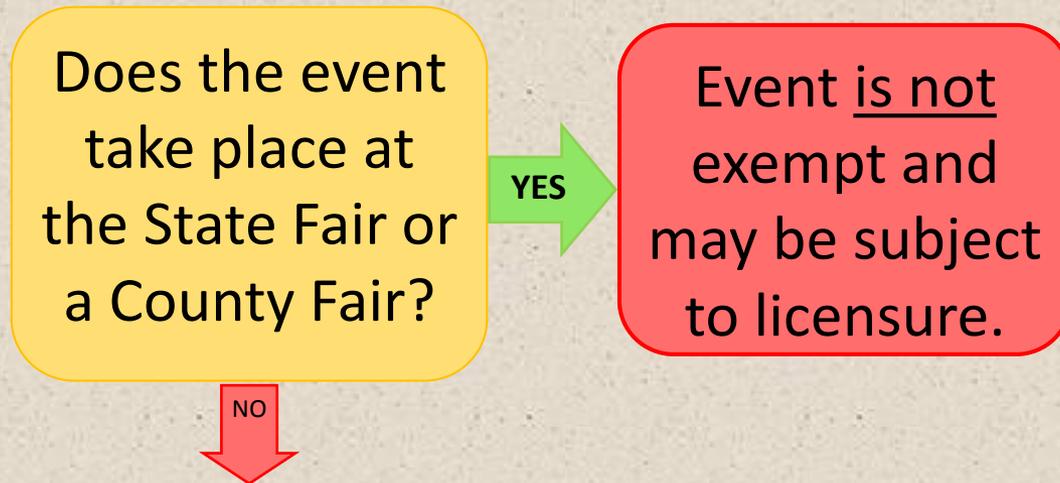


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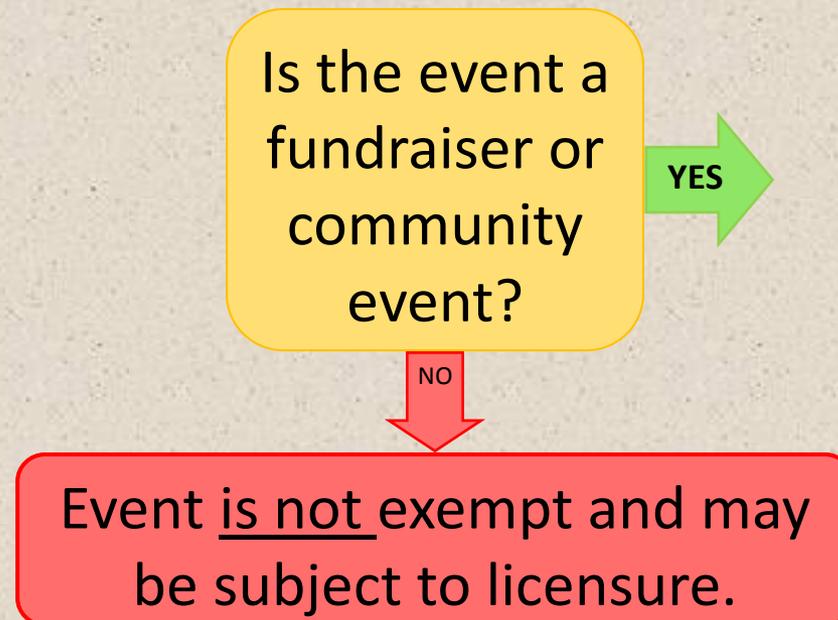
Is the event being conducted in the building or on the grounds of a faith-based organization?

YES

NO

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Will a Certified Food Manager, or volunteer trained in a food safety course, train the food preparation workers in safe food handling practices?

YES

NO

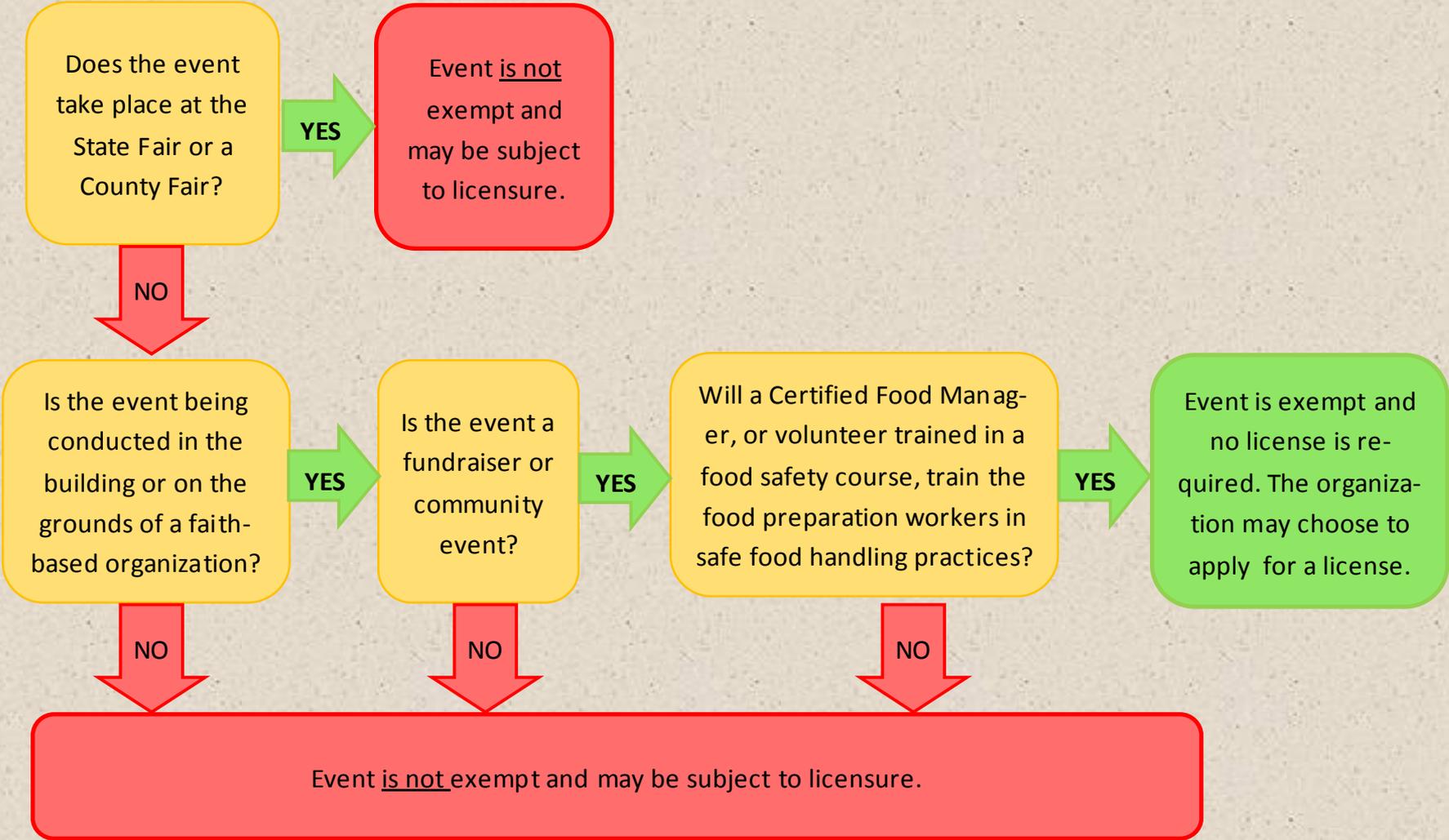
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Q & A – Trained Volunteer



- When do we need a trained volunteer?
 - The law became effective August 1, 2011.
 - When you are serving food at a fund-raiser or community event located in the building or on the grounds of a faith-based organization
 - UNLESS your organization already has a license
 - in which case other laws may apply and you will likely need a Certified Food Manager.

Q & A – Trained Volunteer



- What are the responsibilities of the trained volunteer?
 - The trained volunteer is responsible for training food preparation workers in safe food handling practices.
- Can we use a video of this training to train other members of our organization?
 - Yes.

Q & A – Trained Volunteer



- Does the trained volunteer need to be present at all events?
 - No, but the trained volunteer is responsible for training food preparation workers in safe food handling practices, so someone with food safety training should always be present.

Q & A – Trained Volunteer

- Do trained volunteers need a certificate?
 - No, the law says nothing about certificates.
- Do certificates need to be posted in the kitchen?
 - No. Your organization might want to keep a list of the trained volunteers.
- How long is the training good for?
 - Certified Food Manager certificates are good for three years.

Q & A – Trained Volunteer



- When will there be another training?
 - We are discussing future trainings. In the meantime, there are other training opportunities available to you (see your resource sheet).

Q & A – Home-prepared Food



- Can home-prepared foods be served at funerals, fund-raisers, or other events?
 - Yes, this falls under the “pot-luck” exemption.
 - Be aware that if your organization already has a license, there are rules regarding home-prepared foods (M.S. 157.22(8)).

Q & A – Licenses

- If my faith-based organization is currently licensed by MDH or a local health department, can we keep our license?
 - Yes, your organization may continue to be licensed (and in some cases, may be required to be licensed).
 - If you are not currently licensed and want to be, contact MDH or your local health department to learn more about licensing requirements for your faith-based organization.