

## FOOD SAFETY PROGRAM ENHANCEMENTS

### “HOW TO GET A GREEN PLACARD” TRAINING CLASSES

#### Purpose

The purpose of this Bulletin is to provide you with a **Training Class Schedule** and information on the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department (EMD) color-coded placarding system for food establishments. Training classes are being provided to assist food establishment owners, managers, and other interested parties on how to receive a green “PASS” placard following inspections.

#### Issue

The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approved an ordinance that will require food establishments (including restaurants, markets, sandwich shops, coffee houses, bars, schools, bakeries, and commissaries) to post a color-coded placard indicating the compliance status of that establishment at the most recent inspection or reinspection. This requirement will become effective **January 2007**. The color-coded placards will be issued following inspections conducted by EMD.

#### Training Classes Offered

EMD is offering “**How to Get a Green Placard**” training classes at **no additional cost**. The specific criteria for the placarding program, as well as basic food handling training, will be reviewed to assist you with receiving and maintaining the green “PASS” placard status. Each training class is 90 minutes long. The **current class schedule** is available at [www.emd.sacounty.net](http://www.emd.sacounty.net) on the [Food Protection](#) program page.

Seating is limited. Please call Kristin Ledbetter or Jennifer Hermreck at 875-8440 for reservations.

#### Placards

##### Color-Coded Placards



**GREEN:** PASS (Limited Violations Observed)

**YELLOW:** CONDITIONAL PASS (Major Violations/Corrections Required)

**RED:** CLOSURE (Imminent Threat to Public Health and Safety)

#### For More Information

For additional information and assistance, contact the Environmental Health Division at (916) 875-8440 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, via email at [foodprogram@sacounty.net](mailto:foodprogram@sacounty.net), or visit the EMD website at: <http://www.emd.sacounty.net>.