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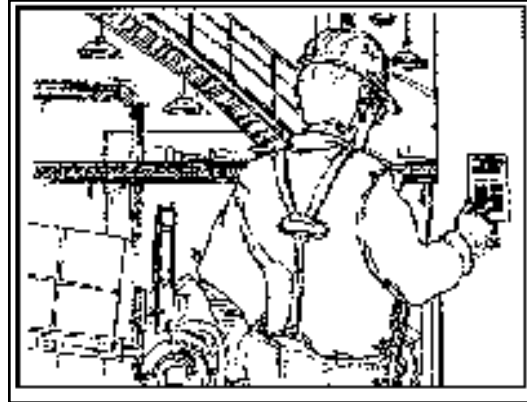
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41st Annual Wisconsin Better Process Control School



**March 1-5, 2010
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Madison, Wisconsin**

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COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EXTENSION

WISCONSIN BETTER PROCESS CONTROL SCHOOL

CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL
MADISON, WISCONSIN

March 1-5, 2010

Purpose

The Wisconsin Better Process Control School provides the food canning industry with qualified personnel to meet FDA and USDA regulations. These regulations require all processors of thermally processed low-acid or acidified foods which are packaged in hermetically-sealed containers to have certain critical operations under the supervision of personnel who have successfully completed a school of instruction for canning operations. To supply these qualified personnel, several Better Process Control Schools are conducted annually by approved universities under the sponsorship of the GMA Science and Education Foundation. The Wisconsin Better Process Control School is an approved school.

Course Subjects

Five days are required for the complete course of instruction and examinations for this school. The instructors will present lectures covering general background materials and various thermal processing systems used by the industry. Topics include:

Microbiology	Agitating Cookers-Continuous
Acidified Foods	Agitating Cookers-Discontinuous
Thermal Process Principles	Hydrostatic Retorts
Food Plant Sanitation	Aseptic Systems
Food Container Handling	Retortable Flexible Containers
Instrumentation	Record Keeping
Still Retorts-Steam	Glass Closures
Still Retorts-Water	Metal Closures

Instructional Materials

The manual for the course will be mailed to all registered students by February 22, 2010. (See "How to Enroll.") **If you need a manual in Spanish, please check the appropriate box on the enrollment form.**

Examinations

One **closed-book** exam will be given for each of the 16 subjects. Each exam has 10 to 40 questions. These examinations have been prepared by the GMA Science and Education Foundation with the approval of the FDA. The FDA indicates a minimum score of 70 for passing. Examinations in Microbiology, Food Container Handling, Food Plant Sanitation, Record Keeping, Thermal Process Principles, and Instrumentation are mandatory. For each of the other topics, the exam is optional, depending on the student's expected job responsibilities. **If you require Spanish exams, please check the appropriate box on the enrollment form.**

Retaking Examinations

Students who fail an examination will have an opportunity to retake the examination at a subsequent Wisconsin Better Process Control School at a reduced cost.

Location

Crowne Plaza Hotel
4402 East Washington Avenue
Madison, WI 53704
(608) 244-4703
Free Parking is available

Dates and Schedule

Monday through Friday, March 1-5, 2010.
Check-in begins at 8:00 a.m. on Monday,
March 1. Class each day starts at 8:00 a.m.
Each student should bring the course confir-
mation receipt and manual. The lecture
schedule will be mailed with the course man-
ual.

Registration fee: \$700

Fee covers cost of instructional materials,
supplies, speaker and staff expenses, four
breakfasts (T-F) four lunches (M-Th), after-
noon beverages and registration. Lodging
and evening meals are not covered in the
registration fee.

Lodging

Lodging is not included in the registration
fee. Make your lodging reservation directly
with the hotel. As a convenience, a block of
rooms has been reserved at the Crowne
Plaza Hotel until February 6, 2010, after
which rooms will be sold on a first-come,
first-served basis. Special rates: \$102 single
or double (plus taxes-5.5% State, 9% City).

To obtain the special room rate, please
mention the **WI Better Process Control
School** when you make reservations.

Report to FDA

The University of Wisconsin-Madison will
send the FDA a list of students and
examinations passed, but not exam scores.

Waiver

If the employer requests student grade
information, the University of Wisconsin-
Madison must have a signed waiver from the
student before sending the employer a copy
of the student's grades.

Certificates

Certificates will be mailed by the University
to all who satisfactorily complete the
mandatory subject areas.

Class size

The University of Wisconsin-Madison
reserves the right to limit enrollment based
on the classroom facility. The school will not
be offered if enrollment is below 40 students.

Substitutions

Substitutions may be made at any time prior
to the start of the school; please advise in
advance. If the instruction manual has been
shipped, please make sure that the new
student receives the instruction material.

Cancellations

To cancel, notify CALS Conference Services
at (608) 263-1672, Fax (608) 262-5088 prior
to the first day of the school. You must return
the instructional materials to receive a full
refund. If the school is cancelled due to
insufficient enrollment or unforeseen
circumstances, the fee will be refunded.

How to Enroll

Enrollment Form/Payment

Complete an Enrollment Form for each stu-
dent. Please submit payment with your enroll-
ment form. We accept the following types of
payment:

- Money Order
- Personal or Company Check
- VISA
- Mastercard

Make checks payable to: UW-Madison

Mail or Fax to:

CALS Conference Services
620 Babcock Drive
Madison, WI 53706
Fax: (608) 262-5088

The Enrollment Form may be duplicated if you
need additional forms.

For registration questions, please contact
CALS Conference Services at (608) 263-1672.

For course questions, please contact Barbara
Ingham at (608) 263-7383.

Manual Mailed to Student

On receipt of Enrollment Form and pay-
ment, UW-Madison will send via UPS, a
confirmation, manual and school information
directly to the student's home address as
shown on the Enrollment Form.

***We strongly recommend that
students study the manual prior
to attending the school.***

**Enrollment Deadline:
February 15, 2010**

***BE SURE TO STUDY YOUR MANUAL BEFORE
COMING TO THE SCHOOL!***