

RFA Technical Webcasts

The RFA hosts quarterly Technical Webcasts on timely food safety and regulatory topics affecting the prepared foods industry. The Webcasts are live, interactive events that you can join from your office!

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June 19, 2019 RFA Technical Webcast: ***“The Shift to Proactive Pest Prevention”***

[REGISTER HERE](#) for this live, interactive Webcast that you can join from your office!

Date and Time:

* Wednesday, June 19, 2019, from 2:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time

(1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Central, 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Mountain, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Pacific)

Overview:

From the U.S. Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) to the most recent updates to SQF and BRC standards, the food production industry is seeing a shift from reactive to preventative risk management mandates. Join us for this webinar where we will highlight an often overlooked, but critical, component to success in this shift : pest management compliance. From flies to birds to preventive fumigation, we will talk through proactive methods that meet regulatory standards for audit readiness and can help your facility avoid costly fines, mitigate the risk of downtime, prevent reputation damage and protect your business.

Presenter:

Dr. John Barcay, Ecolab

In his role as Senior Scientist and Urban Entomologist for Ecolab, Dr. John Barcay leads pesticide evaluation and development projects for Pest Elimination, specializing in developing thorough and effective integrated pest management programs with minimal use of pesticides. Barcay has worked at Ecolab since 1990, holding positions as a scientist and leader of Ecolab's Pesticide Program as well as a principal entomologist for the company.

Dr. Barcay is a member of the National Pest Management Association, Entomological Society of America, American Mosquito Control Association, Gamma Sigma Delta (the honor society of agriculture), Society for Vector Ecology and Pi Chi Omega, a professional fraternity for urban pest control.

Dr. Barcay received his bachelor's degree in Entomology from Colorado State University. He

received his Master's Degree and Doctorate in Urban and Industrial Entomology from Purdue University.

How does the webcast work?

It's easy and convenient! A virtual seminar is one that you can "attend" and participate in right from your offices. There is no travel time, and now provided at NO COST to RFA members!

The RFA Technical Webcast will include live audio along with a slide presentation on the Web. You just need a phone connection for the audio and an Internet connection.

In addition, the webcast will allow you to comment and ask questions at specified times during the event using your phone.

You can invite staff members to listen and participate too! To get the most out of a webcast, it is recommended that you have no more than five people at any one computer connection. If you have multiple locations, please register each location separately.

Credits

The Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) and the Research Chefs Association (RCA) have confirmed that continuing education credits are available for numerous RFA technical functions. Depending on the specific educational criteria of these two organizations, credits will be accepted for attendance at 1) RFA Webinars, 2) the RFA Fall Symposium and 3) the RFA Annual Conference.

Contact the RFA office for more information or for proof of participation.

Registration Information:

The cost for this event is as follows:

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Non-Members: \$310 per computer/audio connection

To attend the meeting, you can either:

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[Download and complete a Registration form](#) and send it in to the RFA office by fax or mail with your payment (if applicable). Checks must be made payable to the Refrigerated Foods Association. Forms should be received no later than June 17, 2019

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Once you have registered for the meeting, you will receive an email message inviting you to attend the web conference with instructions on how to attend. This message will provide the information that you need to join the meeting.

Please note: You must have JAVA enabled on your computer to participate in the web conference.

If you have questions about the RFA Technical Webcasts, please e-mail the RFA office at meg@refrigeratedfoods.org