Study Material

**The IFSEAEF offers study guides to help with testing success on our exams. However, there are also many other references to use as study material, covering the required domains, for testing at the appropriate levels.**

**Certified Foodservice Associate (CFA)**

The Certified Foodservice Associate exam tests the following domains at the entry level:

Food and Beverage Service

Food and Beverage Purchasing, Inventory and Cost Controls

Food Service Sanitation

Food Product Identification

Cooking Methods

Basic Baking Principles

Helpful resources for use as study material for **CFA** exam include but are not limited to the following textbooks:

National Restaurant Associations, *Serve Safe Essentials* 7th Ed.

National Restaurant Associations, *Foundations of Restaurant Management* level 1

National Restaurant Associations, *Foundations of Restaurant Management* level 2

Labensky’s *On Baking*, 3rd Ed. Pearsons Publishing

Labensky’s *On Cooking*, 5th Ed. Pearsons Publishing

**Certified Food Service Manager (CFM)**

The Certified Foodservice Manager exam tests the following domains at the intermediate level:

Food and Beverage Service

Hiring, Training and Scheduling Staff

Hospitality Management

Food and Beverage Purchasing, Inventory and Cost Controls

Food Service Sanitation

Kitchen Equipment

Facility Design

Knife Identification and Handling

Food Product Identification

Cooking Methods

Fish, Shellfish and Crustacean Identification

Basic Baking Principles

Restaurant Marketing

Nutrition

Helpful resources for use as study material for **CFM** exam include but are not limited to the following textbooks:

National Restaurant Associations, *Serve Safe Course book* 7th Ed.

National Restaurant Associations, *Foundations of Restaurant Management* levels 1

National Restaurant Associations, *Foundations of Restaurant Management* levels 2

Labensky’s *On Baking*, 3rd Ed. Pearsons Publishing

Labensky’s *On Cooking*, 5th Ed. Pearsons Publishing

Angelo’s *Hospitality Today: An Introduction* 8th Ed. Published by Educational Institute of Am. Hotel & Motel Assoc.

Nykiel’s *Marketing in the Hospitality Industry* 5th Ed. Published by Educational Institute of Am. Hotel & Motel Assoc.

Woods’ *Managing Hospitality Human Resources* 5th Ed. Published by Educational Institute of Am. Hotel & Motel Assoc.

Cascio’s *Managing Human Resources* 10th Ed. Published by McGraw Hill

Stipanuk’s *Hospitality Facilities Management and Design* 4th Ed. Published by Educational Institute of Am. Hotel & Motel Assoc.

**Certified Foodservice Executive (CFE)**

The Certified Foodservice Executive exam tests the following domains at the advanced level:

Food Service Sanitation

Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point

Food and Beverage Operations

Budget and Cost Analysis

Menu Development

Food and Beverage Purchasing, Inventory and Cost Controls

Food and Beverage Service

Fundamentals of Beer, Spirits and Wine Service

Alcohol Awareness

Food and Beverage Marketing

Human Resource Management

Nutrition

Helpful resources for use as study material for **CFE** exam include but are not limited to the following textbooks:

National Restaurant Associations, *Serve Safe Course book* 7th Ed.

National Restaurant Associations, Foundations of Restaurant Management levels 1

National Restaurant Associations, Foundations of Restaurant Management levels 2

Labensky’s On Baking, 3rd Ed. Pearsons Publishing

Labensky’s On Cooking, 5th Ed. Pearsons Publishing

Angelo’s Hospitality Today: An Introduction 8th Ed. Published by Educational Institute of Am. Hotel & Motel Assoc.

Nykiel’s Marketing in the Hospitality Industry 5th Ed. Published by Educational Institute of Am. Hotel & Motel Assoc.

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Stipanuk’s Hospitality Facilities Management and Design 4th Ed. Published by Educational Institute of Am. Hotel & Motel Assoc.

National Restaurant Associations, *Serve Safe Alcohol Guide* 3rd Ed.

**Listed is a variety of material recommended by our educators as reliable in assisting students become successful on our exams. The International Food Service Executives Association Educational Fund (IFSEAEF) makes no claim to the listed reference material. This is ONLY a partial list and other material is available from both the listed and other non-listed publishers. It would be impossible to list all the great resources available to study from. Certification applicants are encouraged to utilize as many materials as possible to become familiar with the required domains of knowledge.**