

What Does an Auditor Really Want to See?

Each food safety standard has its own list of evidence required for food fraud risk assessment. Please check the specific standard that you are audited against first.

As a general rule, these are the documents/evidence that the auditors are looking for in an audit against food fraud:

- **Training records** for the team who is undertaking the food fraud risk assessment. ICS provides a range of training options for food fraud. All training options receive a certificate at the end of the training:
 - 1 day face to face or virtual workshop: <u>Food Fraud Vulnerability (VACCP) and Food</u> Defense Threat Assessment (TACCP) Combined Workshop
 - 1 hour online basic training: <u>Food Fraud VACCP Essentials</u>. This is a great place to start if you know nothing about food fraud.
- Risk assessment report for all raw materials that your company uses. The Food Fraud Scorecard produces a stand-alone report for each raw material with a final risk score, along with scores for each variable: likelihood, detectability and profitability.
- **List of reference material** used to create the risk assessment report. The *Food Fraud Scorecard* lists all of the references/websites that you input to each raw material report, which is why it is so important to add this information in. This will assist your team during the review process as well.
- Ranking of all food fraud scores, to easily identify those raw materials at higher
 risk of potential food fraud. The Food Fraud Scorecard produces a clear list of
 ranked scores for all raw materials that you have assessed. This will allow you to
 prioritise your time and focus on the most important raw materials and
 ingredients first.
- Food Fraud Control Plan. The food fraud team will need to decide at what score are additional control measures going to be applied. Many food fraud teams use a score of 48 as the benchmark, but that is your decision. The food fraud team will then need to document and implement the additional control measures for both the suppliers & the raw materials, based on the results of your documented risk assessment. There is no set template for the control plan, but it could look similar to a HACCP Plan. Remember to include monitoring requirements.
- **Record of the annual review** of the food fraud risk assessment. The *Food Fraud Scorecard* makes this process so much easier, faster and more efficient. You can go back to your saved reports and update just the answers that have changed. Then you can create a new report and rank your current scores.