



INSTITUTE OF FOOD TECHNOLOGISTS

APPLICATION FOR PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Professional Membership is reserved for the select group of IFT members who have distinguished themselves through achievements and experience in food science and technology or related fields. Their expertise and accomplishments enrich IFT and warrant the prestige and honor associated with Professional Membership. Professional Members do not pay additional dues.

Those who meet IFT's academic and technical experience qualifications may apply for Professional Member status by submitting this completed application for review and approval by the Qualifications and Credentialing Committee. This application can also be found at www.ift.org or by contacting us at memberinfo@ift.org

If you are not already an IFT member, first complete the Application for Membership. That form includes demographics, employment information, Division and Regional Section memberships, and your dues payment. If you believe you should be a Professional Member, complete this form for evaluation by the Qualifications and Credentialing Committee.

If you are already an IFT member and believe you should be a Professional Member, just complete this form for evaluation by the Qualifications and Credentialing Committee

Mail or fax application to:

**Institute of Food Technologists
525 West Van Buren Street
Suite 1000
Chicago, IL 60607-3814 USA
Fax: 1-312-782-8348**

IFT's Minimum Requirements for Professional Membership are:

Any person shall be eligible to become a Professional Member who meets the following minimum requirements for education, training or experiences and provides the information called for in this application.

Post degree experience(s):

- A Bachelors, higher degree, or equivalent, in disciplines associated with food science and technology from a recognized teaching institute and at least 5 years of professional experience in food science and technology.
- A Master's degree or equivalent and at least 4 years of professional experience in food science and technology
- A Doctorate degree or equivalent and at least 2 years of professional experience in food science and technology **OR:**

Any non-food science related bachelors or higher degree, or equivalent, from a recognized teaching institution and ten (10) years of documented contributions to the profession and, if applicable, IFT.

IFT may waive these minimum requirements for persons who have distinguished themselves by their achievements or through long experience in the field of food science and technology.

ALL information must be completed on this form. **Do not attach a resume or other documents.** If additional information is needed, it will be requested.

Mailing Address

Please *print* or *type*.

Please indicate your preferred mailing address: Home Business Mr Mrs Ms Dr _____ (other)

First Name _____ Middle Initial _____ Last Name _____ (family name)

Organization/Company _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Province/Country _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ e-mail _____

Personal Data

Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____
month day year

Gender: Male Female

Academic Degrees

List most recent first.

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY	FIELD OF STUDY	DEGREE OBTAINED	GRADUATION DATE (MONTH/YEAR)
1			
2			
3			
4			

Employment Experience

*(most recent)
List last or current position first.*

Give details of projects and responsibilities for each position

For food science related degrees, must cover not less than five (5) years post-baccalaureate, or 4 years or 2 years experience respectively with a master's or doctoral degree. See minimum requirements on preceding page. For all other degrees, must cover not less than 10 years post-graduate experience in food science and technology. **In addition to the information requested on the first line of each position listing, include in the other two lines details such as responsibilities and projects undertaken as relates to food industry.**

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*** Post Doctoral positions are considered to be work experience.**

Continuing Professional Development in Food Science

List IFT Annual Meeting, Regional Section or Division meetings, academic or training courses, symposia and mentoring attended, private studies undertaken, etc. In every case, include dates and duration (MM/YY – MM/YY).

IFT and other Association Leadership Activity

List elected or volunteer positions held at the IFT Regional Section, Division, or Institute level, and similar positions in other professional societies. In every case, include dates (MM/YY – MM/YY) of the office held or service rendered.

Required

Signature _____ Date _____

Questions?

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FOR IFT USE:	Qualifications Committee Action
DATE _____	MEMBERSHIP CLASS: <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input type="checkbox"/> M <small>12 11</small>
1) _____ <small>initial</small>	2) _____ <small>initial</small>

Note: The Qualifications and Credentialing Committee meets quarterly. Please be patient while your application is under review. Thank you for your interest in becoming an IFT Professional Member.