

# FSMA

**Becoming an IBWA member is the most single important decision you can make in 2019!**

## **FDA Food Safety Modernization ACT**

The Federal Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) regulations are now in effect and your preparation and compliance are essential. All bottled water companies will now be inspected on a regular basis. That's why membership in the International Bottled Water Association (IBWA) is not only valuable, it could be absolutely vital to your business's growth and even survival.

As a member, IBWA will help prepare your company for the FSMA inspection process. You have full access to advice, training, and plant assessment services that can help you prepare for your plant's FDA inspection.

IBWA training sessions, workshops and inspection program give you the critical information you need to meet the new FDA regulations. That can mean far more to your company's bottom line than you can imagine.

IBWA provides comprehensive training and resources to help you comply with FDA's new FSMA regulations

IBWA gives you the training you need to survive in today's newly changed regulatory landscape.

**If your plant fails FDA inspection and needs reinspection, you can pay up to \$20,000 in cost.**

FDA has established an hourly rate of \$224 for each full-time employee involved in the re-inspection of a facility determined by FDA to be seriously deficient in its food safety program. Based on an assumption of 3 FDA inspectors spending 3 days at a bottled water facility at 8 hours per day:

Total man-hours = 3 inspectors X 3 days X 8 hours/day = 72 man-hours

Hourly fees = 72 man-hours X \$224/hour = \$16,128

Travel expenses for 3 FDA employees = 3 X \$1,500 = \$4,500

**Make sure your company is a member of IBWA. Join today!**

**For more info contact Cheryl Bass at 703-647-4615 or [cbass@bottledwater.org](mailto:cbass@bottledwater.org)**