

# HOW TO APPLY?

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## How to Apply for an FSSAI Food License

### Step 1: Determine the Type of FSSAI License

There are three types of FSSAI licenses based on the size and nature of your food business:

- **Basic FSSAI Registration:** For small businesses or startups with an annual turnover of less than ₹12 lakhs.
- **State FSSAI License:** For medium-sized businesses with an annual turnover between ₹12 lakhs and ₹20 crores.
- **Central FSSAI License:** For large businesses with an annual turnover above ₹20 crores or businesses that operate in multiple states.

### Step 2: Gather Required Documents

You'll need the following documents depending on the type of license you're applying for:

1. Proof of Business Registration (company registration certificate, partnership deed, etc.).
2. Identity & Address Proof of business owner (Aadhar, PAN, passport, etc.).
3. Business Address Proof (Rental agreement, lease deed, property documents).
4. Food Safety Management System (FSMS) Plan.
5. NOC from Local Municipality or health department (if required).
6. List of food products to be handled or manufactured.
7. Photos of the business premises, owner, and workers.

### Step 3: Register Online

1. Visit the FSSAI Registration Portal: [FSSAI Licensing & Registration System](#).
2. Create an Account: Fill in your business and personal details to create an account.
3. Select License Type: Choose between Basic, State, or Central licenses based on your business turnover.
4. Fill the Application Form: Enter the required details regarding your business, food products, and personal information.
5. Upload Documents: Upload the necessary documents.
6. Pay the Fee: The fee depends on the type of license:
  - Basic License: ₹100 per year

- State License: ₹2,000 to ₹5,000 per year
  - Central License: ₹7,500 per year
7. Submit the Application: After completing the form and payment, submit the application for processing.

## Step 4: Application Review & Inspection

After submission, the FSSAI department will review your application and documents. For State and Central licenses, an inspection of your food business premises may be conducted.

## Step 5: Receive FSSAI License Number

Once approved, you will receive your **14-digit FSSAI License Number**, which must be displayed on your product packaging and at your business premises.

## Step 6: Renewal of FSSAI License

FSSAI licenses are typically valid for 1 to 5 years and must be renewed before they expire. You can renew the license by logging into the FSSAI portal and applying for renewal.

## Key Points

- **Penalties:** Operating a food business without a valid FSSAI license can result in fines and penalties.
- **Processing Time:** The process typically takes 30-60 days for completion, depending on the type of license.