

Food Safety and Security Authority (FSSA)

WHO WE ARE

The Food Safety and Security Authority (FSSA) was established under the Food Safety and Security Authority Act (Chapter 649 of the Laws of Malta) as the national body responsible for overseeing food safety, sustainability, and supply chain security across the Maltese Islands. As the single competent authority, the FSSA regulates, coordinates, and monitors official controls throughout the entire food chain, from primary production to final consumption. Through a transparent, risk-based, and Service-oriented approach, the Authority is committed to delivering efficient and accessible services, supporting stakeholders in meeting regulatory requirements, and fostering confidence in Malta's food systems while strengthening the sustainability and resilience of the national food system.

OUR COMMITMENT TO CLIENTS

Level of service to expect when contacting or visiting our Offices:

- We will treat you with respect and in a professional manner.
- We guarantee confidentiality on any information exchange.
- Our service standards are in line with Directive 4-2, Standards for Service of Excellence offered by the Public Administration to the Public and Public Employees.
- The list of services offered can be found in the following link <https://fssa.gov.mt/>

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU CONTACT US

Provide information which is specific, straightforward, and free of jargon or technical terms. All information will be provided in both Maltese and English. We commit to answer your query within 1 working day, or as per timeframes stipulated in Directive 4-2.

When you contact us by phone

We commit ourselves to answering the phone within 3 rings, in a clear and knowledgeable manner. Staff will identify themselves and treat you with courtesy and respect.

When you visit our Offices

Our Offices are safe, clean and enable accessibility to services for persons with disability. Waiting time will be approximately 15 - 30 minutes under normal circumstances.

CLIENT RESPONSIBILITIES

Clients are expected to: Provide full and correct information. Treat staff with courtesy and respect. Adhere to timeframes and allocated appointments when applicable.

WE VALUE YOUR FEEDBACK

If you would like to submit feedback, suggestions, or complaints kindly:

- Contact us as per details shown here: info.fssa@gov.mt
- Through Servizz.gov by calling on 153, or online on *Submit a Complaint*

Your confidentiality will be guaranteed. Expect our feedback within 3 working days

When you contact us by letter or email

We will send an acknowledgement within 1 working day from receipt of your letter or email

Appointments

Replies to requests for appointments will be provided within 3 working days, with the appointment date being set within 5 working days from the date of the request. However, appointments may be dependent on department waiting lists and urgent requests, which may take priority.

HOW TO CONTACT US

- Food Safety and Security Authority, 88, Valley Road, Birkirkara, BKR9020, Malta
- Monday to Friday: 08:00-16:00; Weekends, & Public Holidays: Closed
- <https://fssa.gov.mt>
- Contact us: info.fssa@gov.mt +356 2652 5000