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# *HACCP Advantage*

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A Food Safety Management System  
Standard



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# History

Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point  
(HACCP) concept over 35 years old.

A protocol – Not a formal standard

Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food  
(OMAF) initiative

# OMAF and CGSB

Over two years ago OMAF & CGSB met  
and agreed to cooperate

Informal at first

CGSB provides standards and auditing  
input.

OMAF provides the technical knowledge

# Federal-Provincial cooperation



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# OMAF's HACCP Advantage

Developed a standard based on HACCP

Covers:

Pre-requisites

Plant controls

HACCP technical justification

# Auditor requirements 1

No certification program for food safety  
auditors

Federal and Provincial inspectors (mainly  
meat)

Good training programs for food safety

# Auditor requirements 2

Auditor skills unknown

Need a combination of audit and food safety skills.

Need to define a BOSK (Handout)

Need to “test” for qualifications

# Auditor requirements 3

Need ;

Basic education

Food safety experience

Professional audit skills

Sector codes.



# The program so far

The standard created by OMAF and  
announced 040308.

Draft auditing protocols created by June  
2004

First audit – Sargent Farms – in mid June

# Sargent Farms

Sargent Farms awarded the first HACCP  
Advantage certificate by Minister  
040913

Sargent is a primary poultry processor  
producing raw, whole birds and chicken  
pieces

# The future in Canada

Applications received from several  
companies

RFSO for auditors went public 040823

# ISO Involvement

ISO 22000 Food safety management  
systems – Requirements for  
organizations throughout the food chain.

Currently at first CD

Canadian delegate Albert Chambers

# ISO 22000 vs HACCP Advantage

HACCP Advantage focuses on the technical issues.

ISO 22000 has the typical management system structure

HACCP Advantage is roughly equivalent to Section 7 of ISO 22000

# Status of HACCP Advantage

Currently focused on Ontario

Will be open to other provinces

Interest from other provincial ministries