



Job Title: Food Safety and Quality Assurance Manager

Location: New York

Reports to: VP of Operations

Job Summary:

Gotham Greens has an immediate opening for an exceptional individual to lead our food safety and quality assurance programs across all our facilities. This role will be responsible for the design, implementation and execution of all programs to provide safe, high quality products that exceed customer expectations and comply with regulatory measures. In addition to maintaining safe quality production year-round, this role will also oversee our annual food-safety audit. As the manager, this role will develop and implement strategies that will ensure that the necessary tools, supplies, and equipment are available to perform safety and quality tasks effectively.

The ideal candidate is well informed on local and regional food culture, health and wellness, sustainability, and embraces Gotham Greens' core values and mission. This is an opportunity for an enthusiastic, self-motivated and highly organized leader to join a rapidly growing, innovative, disruptive company in the 21st century food system.

Duties and Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Iterate and implement our food safety programs across all company facilities- currently in NYC and CHI but will expand to other regions soon- ensure regulatory compliance and industry best practice in all areas.
- Continuously train production employees and supervisors on best practices and latest protocols in food safety and quality. Work with operations leadership to maintain, oversee and enforce policies to ensure employee compliance.
- Lead our annual external food safety audit including but not limited to training, preparation, internal documentation auditing, and corrective actions.
- Oversee and manage co-packers' food safety programs; verify their facilities meet our food safety requirements
- Validate and assure compliance with established food safety and quality objectives through daily monitoring programs, employee supervision, and industry benchmarking
- Create internal food quality and safety auditing programs. This includes defining KPIs, monitoring performance, providing program updates, and developing plans for continuous improvement.
- Lead and manage all troubleshooting, problem solving and change management as it relates to safety and quality of our products
- Partner with operations leaders on driving continuous process improvement
- Serve as the subject matter expert for all food safety related trends, regulations, and legislation.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree
- At least 3 years of relevant experience in food safety and quality assurance
- Experience working with third party audits



- Strong knowledge of Food Safety and Regulatory requirements
- Effective verbal and written communication skills & ability to communicate technical information in an easily understandable way
- Strong Project Management and Organizational skills, with demonstrated ability to multi-task
- In-depth understanding of microbiological testing and limited chemistry testing.
- Knowledge of various pathogens and microbes associated with food production.
- Superior interpersonal skills; ability to influence and engage many types of people internally and externally to the company
- Experience in specialty food, agriculture, natural and organic CPG a plus
- Demonstrated ability to be successful in rapid growth environments
- Passionate commitment to company vision
- Appreciation of sustainable agriculture and food
- Strong knowledge of MS Office

About Gotham Greens:

Gotham Greens is a global pioneer in urban greenhouse agriculture and a leading consumer brand of premium-quality local produce and fresh food products. Gotham Greens' produce is grown using ecologically sustainable methods in technologically-sophisticated, climate controlled, urban greenhouses. Gotham Greens provides its diverse retail, restaurant, and foodservice customers with a local, reliable, year-round supply of salad greens, herbs and fresh food products grown under the highest standards of food safety and environmental sustainability. The company owns and operates over 170,000 square feet of greenhouse across four facilities in New York and Chicago and currently has 500,000 square feet of greenhouse under development in five US states. Gotham Greens was founded in 2009 in Brooklyn, New York.

We are farmers that live in apartments. Our team is hard working, supportive, and passionate about sustainable urban agriculture. **We work to create an environment that is caring, fun, and collaborative.**

Gotham Greens is proud to be an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We thank all applicants in advance for their interest in this position, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



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