



Affiliate Annual Report for Calendar Year 2024

(Complete Attachment B to be considered for one or more 2025 Affiliate Awards.)

To maintain compliance with IAFP Constitution and Bylaws, Affiliates must return this completed report. Please send by email to Susan Smith at: ssmith@foodprotection.org.

Please return the following items **electronically** by **Tuesday, March 4, 2025** (late reports will **not be considered for awards**):

REQUIRED:

This completed form *(in English)*.

Your Association's list of current term officers (complete Attachment A).

OPTIONAL:

Attachment B: Completion required **only** if your Association requests to be considered for one or more Affiliate Awards.

IAFP now accepts **all** Affiliate Annual Reports electronically, including those vying for one or more of the Affiliate Awards. *Affiliates seeking to present the highest quality visual presentation are encouraged to present their Annual Report in the highest quality possible for review by the Selection Committee. To avoid errors and omissions, please limit your submission to ONE email with all attachments.*

Digital photos (with names and descriptions) to appear in the *Affiliate View* quarterly newsletter.

New Zealand Affiliate for IAFP

1. Your Official Delegate to IAFP Affiliate Council and Contact

*Enter in the fields below the information requested for your Association's official Delegate to the IAFP Affiliate Council and your official Contact for IAFP correspondence. **Delegate must be an IAFP Member.***

Official Delegate to IAFP Affiliate Council

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IAFP Member? Y or N	Y

Official Contact for IAFP Correspondence (indicate “same” if person also serves as Delegate)

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IAFP Member? Y or N	N

2. Membership List

- a. Indicate the current total number of members in your Association: 39
- b. How many NEW members joined your Association in 2024? 0

3. Meetings: Annual Meeting/Conference, Educational, Workshops, Webinars, etc.

- a. On what date(s) was your most recent general membership or major meeting (i.e., Annual Meeting/Conference) during the past year? Please list number of attendees.

Date: 2nd of July 2024

Number of attendees: 8 (Please note that significant weather-related flight delays led to many cancellations)

NZAFP held its annual meeting in Hamilton, New Zealand on the 2nd of July 2024 in conjunction with the one-day annual food safety symposium organized by New Zealand Food Safety Science & Research Centre (NZFSSRC) and 3-day Annual conference of the New Zealand Institute of Food Science and Technology (NZIFST). The attendees included food safety professionals from industry, academia, regulators and students. Highlights in this year's affiliate activities were plenary presentations by Dr Michelle Danyluk, Professor of Food Safety and Microbiology in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition at the University of Florida, and Past President of IAFP. Her visit was kindly co-sponsored by the IAFP speaker program, NZFSSRC and NZIFST. As an esteemed international produce safety expert, Michelle spoke on food safety in diverse scenarios including extreme weather events, fresh fruit and vegetable safety, and international considerations on food safety in a changing world. She also offered her valuable insights on fresh produce safety using her research-based examples as case studies in an interactive webinar for industry and researchers from the horticulture sector. The webinar was sponsored by NZAFP and Chaired by Dr Roger Cook.

Another highlight was a mid-year virtual catch up for our members to discuss ways to increase participation and improve student involvement. The meeting highlighted that there is a need to encourage students to participate more in NZAFP and to be retained

in the food safety space (regulatory, academic or industry sectors). The potential to host American student interns early in 2026 was also discussed. Members from various areas of expertise agreed to design a package to provide a broad experience for the students in food safety and biosecurity regulatory systems, dairy and meat industries as well as Universities and Crown Research Institutes.

b. Please provide the date(s) and location of your next scheduled major meeting (i.e., Annual Meeting/Conference):

Date: 24 June 2025

Location: Conference and Function Centre, Palmerston North, New Zealand.

c. List all other general membership meetings held in 2024 (excluding board meetings). Include title, dates and attendance numbers.

Date	Title	Attendance numbers
2 nd July 2024	Annual AGM	8
3 RD Feb 2025	Midyear NZAFP Catch up (Virtual)	17

4. Awards and Scholarships

- a. List members honored with an award from your Association and/or IAFP during 2024. Include name of award and qualification for award.

None.

5. Web Communication

Please be sure to keep the IAFP office on your mailing list for newsletters, email, and other communications to your general membership.

Please provide your existing Affiliate's Web site address AND date last updated:
Not applicable.

Did you launch a new Affiliate Web site in 2024? Y ☐ N ☒

Attachment A (completion required)

Association Officers List

Provide the contact information requested below for all current officers of your Association. **Please indicate if each officer is an IAFP Member (reminder: Your President and Delegate are required to be IAFP Members).** The information you provide here is published on our website and in select membership materials. The information may be typed in the fields below or may be sent to our office by email, fax or regular mail.

Indicate the term dates (e.g., 2024–2025) for your current Executive Board:

Executive Board- 2024-2025

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IAFP Member? Y or N	Y

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IAFP Member? Y or N	N

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☒ **CHECK HERE IF YOUR AFFILIATE DOES NOT WANT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A 2025 AWARD. (You are done! It is not necessary to complete Attachment B.)**