



## **ACS Certified Cheese Professional™ Recertification Guide** *Updated January 1, 2017*

### **Overview**

Upon passing the CCP™ Exam, the initial certification is valid for three years. After the three-year period, candidates must submit evidence of continuing education and involvement in the cheese industry.

### **Certified Cheese Professionals applying for recertification must demonstrate:**

- A total of one-thousand (1,000) hours of any combination of paid or unpaid work experience and formal education, continuing education, or professional development in the cheese industry.

### **AND**

- At ACS's sole discretion, CCPs may be required to complete continuing education credits to be eligible to recertify. CCPs will be notified via email, CheeseBytes, and Facebook of continuing education requirements and reasonable advanced notice will be given.

### **Recertification Fee and Application**

The fee to recertify is \$75 (USD). The fee is waived for CCPs who attended the ACS Annual Conference in any subsequent year after passing the exam. For the 2014 CCPs attendance at the 2015, 2016, or 2017 conference qualifies for the fee waiver.

Applications for recertification will be accepted online starting at the annual ACS Conference, and until October 31 of the recertifying year.