How to Download

The Food Defense Plan Builder v2.0 can be downloaded free of charge from FDA's website at **https://www.fda.gov/food/food-defense**
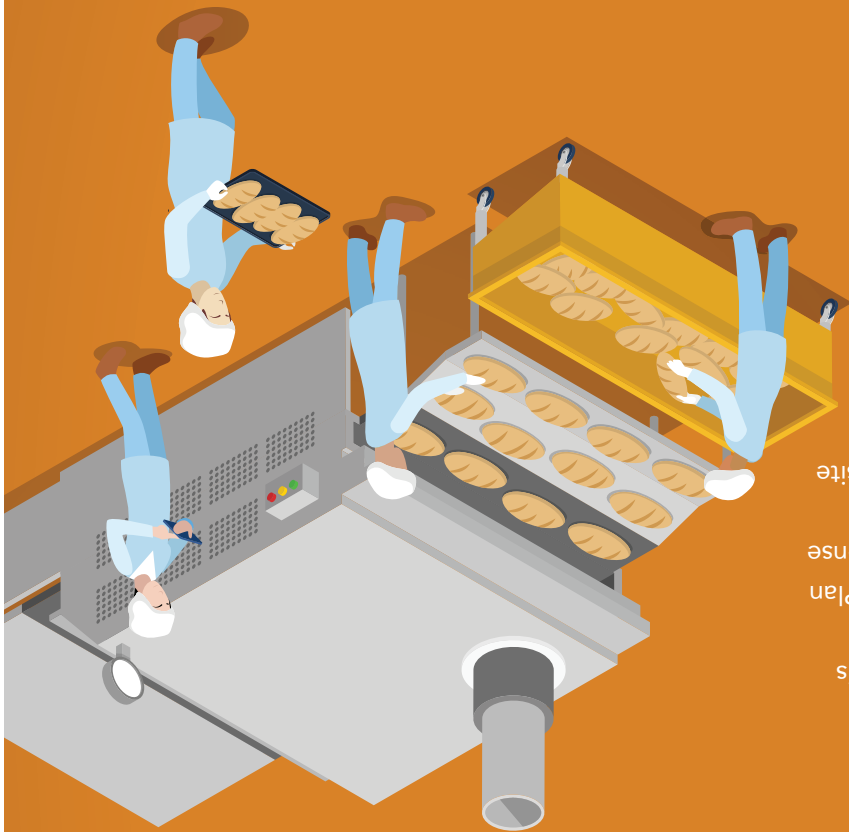
System Requirements

For the Food Defense Plan Builder (FDPB) v2.0 to operate correctly, your computer configuration must meet the minimum requirements outlined in the table below. FDPB v2.0 will only work on the Microsoft Windows operating system. It does not work on MAC, Chrome, or any other operating systems.

Components	Minimum	Recommended
Computer	2.80 GHz	3.0 GHz
RAM	1 GB	2 GB
Hard Disk Space	100 MB	125 MB
Operating System	Windows 7	Windows 7, 8.1 and 10
.NET	4.5	4.5 Full
Graphics Card	SXGA+	SXGA+

Have Questions?

If you have additional questions or need more information, please email **fooddefense@fda.hhs.gov**

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Disclaimer

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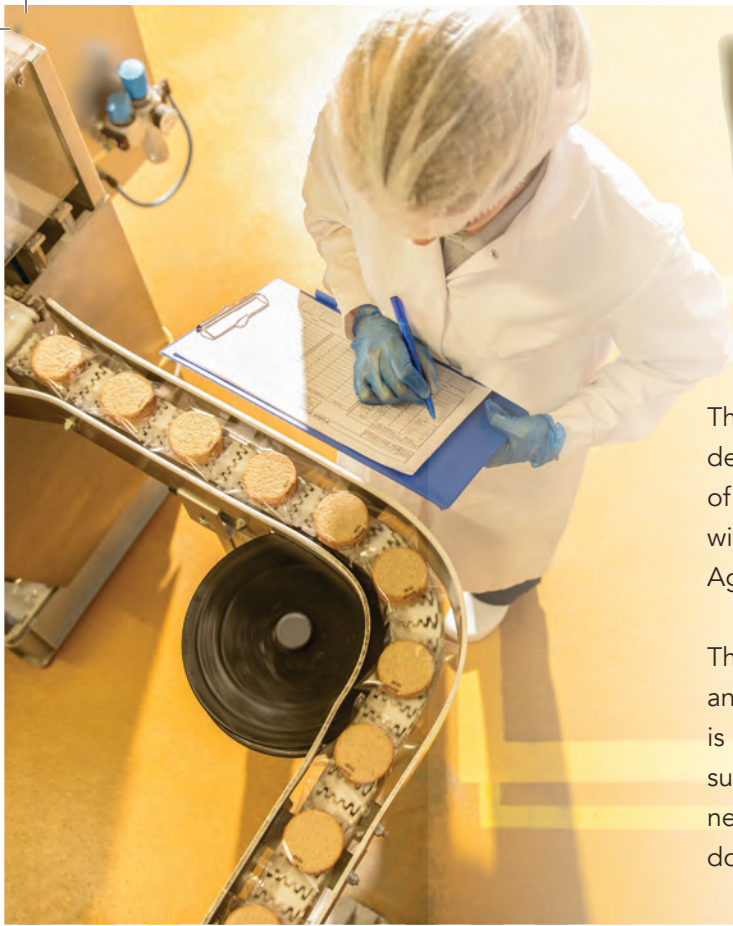
A food defense plan is a set of written documents that is based upon food defense principles and incorporates a vulnerability assessment, includes mitigation strategies, and delineates food defense monitoring, corrective action, and verification procedures to be followed.

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This desktop software program harnesses existing FDA tools, guidance, and resources for food defense into one single application. Use of this tool is not required to comply with the IA rule. FDA expects the FDPB to supplement and not replace other education, training, and experience needed to understand and implement the requirements of the IA rule. FDA does not have access to the information that users input or store in the tool.

The Food Defense Plan Builder guides the user through the following sections:

- Facility Information
- Product/Process Descriptions
- Vulnerability Assessments
- Mitigation Strategies
- Food Defense Monitoring Procedures
- Food Defense Corrective Actions Procedures
- Food Defense Verification Procedures
- Supporting Documents
- Food Defense Plan
- Signature

Features:

- Built-in vulnerability assessment calculators
- Integration with FDA's online Mitigation Strategies Database (when connected to the Internet)
- Food Defense Plan format aligns with FDA's guidance
- Spell Check
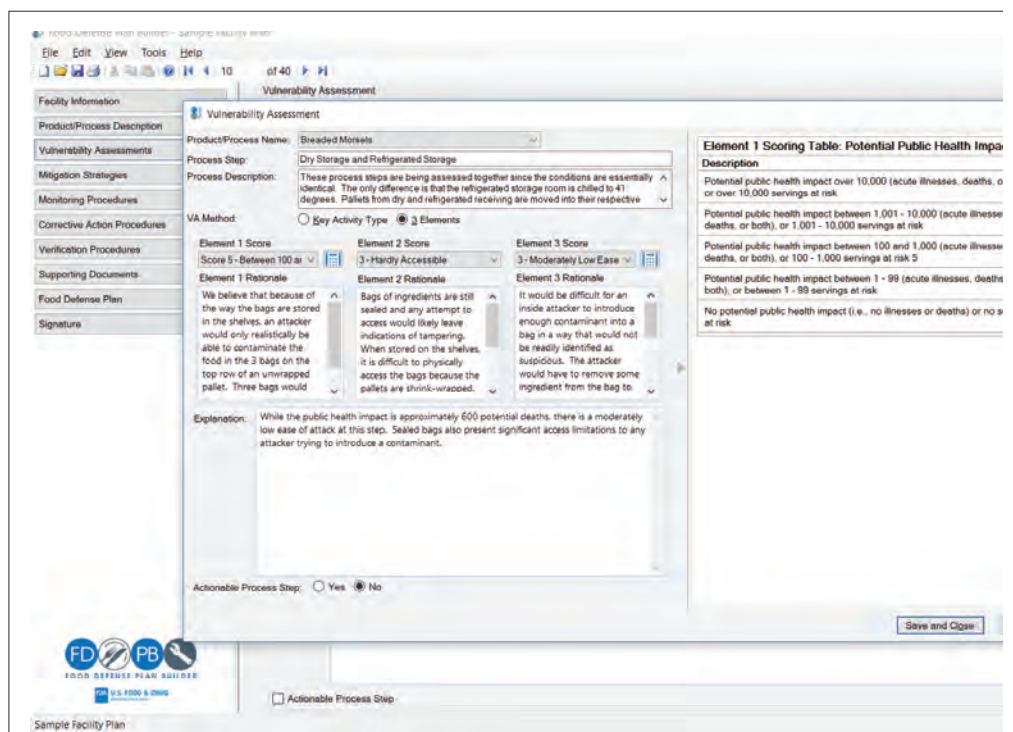
Screenshot of Vulnerability Assessment section.

Screenshot of sample Mitigation Strategies Management Components section of the Food Defense Plan.

Screenshot of Vulnerability Assessment Element 1 Calculator.