RECERTIFICATION AND WORKSHOP INFORMATION

- Farmers can attend a 3.5 hour Private Pesticide Applicator Workshop for recertification instead of taking a test. Testing (online or mail-in) remains an option.
- New applicators or those whose certification has lapsed (not currently certified) MUST take the test to become certified.
- The cost to recertify, either by attending at a recertification workshop or testing, is $50. CHECKS ONLY please, made payable to the "University of MN".
- Pre-registration is not required - registration for workshops will be taken at the door.
- When attending a recertification workshop you must bring an official photo identification card, such as a driver's license, passport or some type of official document. Bringing your Private Pesticide Applicator Certification ID card can assist in the registration process.
- Persons who do not have their Applicator's Card may obtain their applicator number on-line at the MDA website www.mda.state.mn.us or by contacting MDA via phone at 651-201-6633.
- Attending a recertification workshop renews your certification for 3 years.

The MN Department of Agriculture requires applicators to attend the entire workshop to receive recertification credit. Applicators that arrive more than 15 minutes late to a workshop or leave early will not be allowed to receive recertification credit.

Workshop Topics Include:
- Pesticide Laws, Regulations & Record Keeping
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Applicator Health Effects
- Application Equipment
- Current Crop/Pest Issues & Integrated Pest Management

For more information about this program, visit the website: http://z.umn.edu/ppatprogram
You need to Renew Your Private Pesticide Applicator Certification if you:

- Apply pesticides to land or sites you own, rent, or lease for the production of agriculture commodities and
- Plan to use Restricted Use Pesticides and
- Reside in the state of Minnesota and
- Your certification expires March 1, 2015

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**Private Pesticide Applicators** who Need to Renew their Applicator Certification have **Three Options** *(To be completed by 3-1-15):*

1. **Attend a Recertification Workshop.**
2. **Complete the test as a home study course** (books and tests available at most County Extension Offices — Manual is $10 if you need one).
3. **Complete the test on-line at:**
   
   [www.pat.umn.edu](http://www.pat.umn.edu)

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**2015 Recertification Workshop Schedule—Northwest and West Central MN**

**Comstock**

January 22, 9:00 am – 12:30 pm  
Comstock Community Center  
Comstock, MN

**Morris**

January 26, 8:30 am – 12:00 pm  
West Central Research and Outreach Center  
Morris, MN

**Alexandria**

January 26, 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm  
Holiday Inn  
Alexandria, MN

**New York Mills**

January 29, 10:30 am - 2:30 pm *(w/ lunch break)*  
Otter Tail County Offices Building  
118 North Main  
New York Mills, MN

**Fergus Falls**

January 30, 8:30 am - Noon  
Otter Tail Co. Government Services Building, Lake Rm  
500 Fir Av W  
Fergus Falls, MN

**Ada**

February 3, 8:30 am - Noon  
Tubby’s *(formerly VFW Hall)*  
415 W. Main St.  
Ada, MN

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**Crop Update / Private Applicator Recertification Training** -

The **morning session** includes association business, crop updates applied towards PPAT training and a MN Soybean Research and promotion Council sponsored lunch. The **afternoon session** is training modules specifically needed for completion of the Private Applicator recertification.

**Private Applicators** requiring recertification must attend both morning and afternoon to complete their recertification. We know your time is valuable and by combining programs, you can maximize the benefit of your time with crop updates and recertification with one trip to town.

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**Crookston**

February 12, 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm  
Youngquist Auditorium,  
Northwest Research and Outreach Center,  
U of MN Crookston Campus  
Crookston, MN

**Thief River Falls**

February 19, 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
Northland Community & Technical College located in the Theater / Auditorium  
1101 Highway One East  
Thief River Falls, MN

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**For a complete listing of meeting locations throughout Minnesota, or in case of inclement weather, visit the website:**

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or call the **Farm Information Line at:**

1-800-232-9077