

Farmers Can Recertify by Attending Private Pesticide Applicator Recertification Workshops



- Farmers can now attend a 3.5-hour Recertification Workshop to renew their private applicator certification in lieu of taking a test.
- Recertification by retesting (on-line or written) is still an option.
- A farmer who is a new applicator or whose certification has lapsed (not currently certified), **must** take the test to become certified.
- The cost to recertify, by attending a workshop or testing, is \$50 for three years. **CHECKS ONLY** (no cash, please), **made payable to the U of MN.**
- Registration for workshops will be taken at the door, and no pre-registration is required.
- When attending a recertification workshop, **you must bring an official photo identification card**, (driver's license, passport or some type of official document). Bringing your Private Pesticide Applicator Certification ID card, too, assists in the registration process.
- Persons who don't have their Applicators Card may obtain their applicators number on-line at the MDA website (www.mda.state.mn.us) or by contacting MDA via phone at 651-201-6633. The number is also on the front of this brochure in the lower left corner.

The MN Dept. of Ag requires applicators to attend the entire 3.5-hour workshop to receive recertification credit. Applicators who arrive more than 15 minutes late to a workshop will not be allowed to receive recertification credit.

Topics to be discussed:

- Pesticide Laws and Regulations
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Record Keeping
- Applicator Health Effects
- Pesticide Label Comprehension
- Integrated Pest Management
- Application Equipment
- Current Crop & Pest Issues

Workshops are sponsored by U of M Extension.

2012 DATE	TIME	LOCATION	PLACE	ADDRESS
Wednesday, January 25	12:30 pm	Rochester	RCTC Heintz Center	1926 College View Road East
Thursday, January 26	8:30 am	Faribault	Rice Co. Fairgrounds	4-H Building
Thursday, January 26	6:00 pm	Owatonna	Steele Co. Community Center	Steele Co. Fairgrounds
Friday, January 27	8:30 am	Lake Crystal	Lake Crystal Area Recreation Ctr	621 West Nathan
Monday, January 30	12 noon	Morristown	Community Center	402 Division Street South
Monday, January 30	12:30 pm	Preston	Fillmore Co. Office Building	902 Houston Street NW
Tuesday, January 31	12 noon	Jordan	Regional Public Safety Training Facility	17706 Valley View Drive
Wednesday, February 1	8:30 am	Montgomery	Hilltop Hall	206 First Street North
Wednesday, February 1	12:30 pm	Goodhue	Lion's Community Center	105 South Broadway
Wednesday, February 1	6:00 pm	Northfield	Jesse James Lanes	1700 Hwy 3 South
Thursday, February 2	12 noon	Blooming Prairie	Serviceman's Club	210 4th Street NE
Friday, February 3	8:30 am	Ellendale	Community Center	
Monday, February 6	12:30 pm	Plainview	American Legion	215 3rd Street SW
Wednesday, February 8	12:30 pm	Caledonia	Good Times Restaurant	118 Bissen Street
Monday, February 13	12:30 pm	Austin	Mower Co. 4-H Building	Mower Co. Fairgrounds
Tuesday, February 14	12 noon	LeSueur	Community Center—Merrick Room	821 East Ferry Street
Wednesday, February 15	12:30 pm	St. Charles	Community Center	830 Whitewater Avenue
Thursday, February 16	8:30 am	LeCenter	LeSueur Co. Fairgrounds	4-H Bldg
Thursday, February 16	6:00 pm	Minnesota Lake	Lembke Bldg	101 Main Street
Friday, February 17	9:00 am	Albert Lea	Freeborn Co. Fairgrounds	Fairlane Bldg
Monday, February 20	8:30 am	Pemberton	Main Street Plaza	141 4th Street
Monday, February 20	9:00 am	Rochester	RCTC Heintz Center	1926 College View Road East
Tuesday, February 21	12:30 pm	Wilson	Fire Hall	
Tuesday, February 21	6:00 pm	Mankato	Blue Earth Co. Courthouse	3rd Floor Conference Room
Wednesday, February 22	9:00 am	Fairmont	Knights of Columbus Hall	920 East 10th Street
Thursday, February 23	8:30 am	Elysian	St. Andrew Catholic Church	305 Park Avenue NE
Thursday, February 23	6:30 pm	Preston	Fillmore Co. Office Building	902 Houston Street NW
Tuesday, February 28	12:30 pm	Mabel	American Legion Club Post 299	114 North Main
Wednesday, February 29	8:30 am	Farmington	Dakota Co. Extension Office	4100 220th Street West

To request disability accommodations, please contact (507) 372-3900.

For a complete listing of other locations throughout Minnesota and information about testing manuals and exams, please refer to the website <http://www.extension.umn.edu/pesticides> or call the Farm Information Line at (800) 232-9077.

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 in 2012

Options for Private Applicator's who need to renew their certification:

1. **Attend a Recertification Workshop** instead of retesting (*dates/locations on reverse side*).
2. **Complete the test as a home study course** (books and tests available at most County Extension Offices).
3. **Complete the test on-line** at: www.pat.umn.edu

Recertification must be completed by March 1, 2012.

For More Information Contact :

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