

PRIVATE APPLICATOR RECERTIFICATION 2020 - 2021

** Program Suggestions **

CREDIT CONTENT	LETTER CODE	LESSON TOPICS/CONTENT	CATEGORY or CATEGORIES
General Safety	S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emergency Response and Spill Management - Glyphosate Toxicology - IPM Decisions / Resources - Label Comprehension Exercise - PPE Demonstration / PPE Gameshow for Large Audiences - Pollinator Protection / Field Watch & Bee Check - Protecting Non-Target Organisms - Safety Review (tailored to audience, using a game format) -Respirators 	90, 91
Legal Update	L	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Full Legal Update Required at ALL Recertification Courses including:</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Federal Issues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pesticide Product Registration Status & Label Changes - Federal Certification of Pesticide Applicators Rule <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - USDA Recordkeeping Requirements and Recommendations - Worker Protection Standard Update / Compliance Assistance <p style="text-align: center;"><u>State Issues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Applicator Certification Regulation Changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Business License Regulation Changes - Common Violations - Enforcement/Product Registration Regulation Changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OPS Inspections and Investigations - VA Pollinator Management Plan - VDACS Disposal & Recycling Programs 	90, 91
Pest Management and Application Technology	P	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Category-Specific Pest Management Presentations:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ID and Management of Insect Pests / Insect ID Game - ID and Management of Plant Diseases - ID and Management of Weeds - Resistance Issues with Pests - New Herbicide / Seed Technologies: <i>products, use patterns, stewardship tactics [w/ emphasis on drift mitigation], efficacy, and resistance management</i> - Top 5 or 10 Pest Management Issues of Local Importance: <i>Spotted Lanternfly, Asian Longhorn Tick, Red Imported Fire Ant, Aquatic Weeds, Noxious Weeds, Issues w/ Hemp, etc.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Management of Boxwood Blight - Vertebrate Pest Management <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Category-Specific Application/Handling Equipment Demonstrations:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proper Configuration and Safe Operation of Spray Application Equipment: <i>nozzle selection, calibration, selecting formulations, drift management</i> - Water Quality for Spray Mixes – Pilot Water Testing Program 	Content must match pesticide use patterns for the category or categories requested.

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**** NOTE ****

This sample program lists topics and materials from the last two in-service sessions. These are program suggestions, not requirements. It is not necessary to include all topics in a program (with the exception of the Legal Update provided by VDACS – this is required!). Recertification is on a biennial cycle. You may be able to use effective lessons two years in a row.

For Additional Ideas and Program Support Materials, Refer to:

- Virginia Pesticide Safety Educators Workshop Canvas Site: (<https://canvas.vt.edu/>)
(All ANR agents have access to the Canvas site – must login using your VT PID and password.)
 - Resources such as Certification and Recertification Information, Training Modules, Instructor’s Guides, PowerPoints, Factsheets, and Evaluation Templates can be found here.
- “Agents” section of the VT Pesticide Programs website: (<https://vtpv.ento.vt.edu/>)
(Information is available here, along with a Canvas login button.)
 - Training Opportunities
 - New Agents and Specialists
 - Agent Resources
 - Forms
 - FAQs
- Private Applicator Recertification Calendar (On VTPP website, click ‘Menu > Agents > Training Opportunities > Private Applicator Recertification Training Courses’):
 - The PAR calendar includes a list of all courses and corresponding credits. This may be useful when searching for program ideas, and finding courses for clients.
- Agendas of previous Pesticide Safety Educators Workshops
(Located in Canvas – click ‘Modules’ button to view.)
- VCE Educator’s Kits (white 3-ring binders + materials)
(Most kit content is also available online in Canvas.)
- Program support materials placed in unit offices, planning districts, or districts.

Recertification Program Topics That are Always Relevant Include:

- New pest management methods.
- New pest management products.
- Proper use of pesticide products; pesticide management.
- Effective and proper use of handling devices, proper protective equipment (PPE) and application equipment.
- Equipment calibration.
- Integrated pest management (IPM).
- Identification and management of pests of local importance.