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Pesticide CEU Training Guide

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension CEA Guide

Auxin Training Information

The Auxin Specific Applicator Training covers the application requirements for the use of approved dicamba and 2,4-D auxin formulations.

Effective February 1, 2020 auxin trainings will no longer be exempt from the minimum \$10/person AgriLife Extension fee-based programming guidelines. All AgriLife Extension personnel conducting these trainings will be expected to collect this fee.

FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING

If an outside entity requests an auxin face-to-face group training, a \$10/person fee-based programming fee must be collected. A suitable alternative to this method would be following the instructions below under "CEU Programs" for conducting a live webinar to deliver the auxin training video or slide presentation.

ONLINE TRAINING

For individuals, convenience trainings will be offered through [AgriLife Learn](#) and will have a \$25/person fee-based programming fee. This fee will be paid through the online payment service. There are two options for the individual training:

Self-enroll: Individuals can access and self-enroll in the online course without going through their local AgriLife Extension County Office. The course is open and available to anyone.

Assisted-enroll: For those who wish, services will be offered at their local AgriLife Extension County Office to assist them in accessing and enrolling in the online course.

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- This training satisfies the US EPA requirement for mandatory dicamba applicator training
- This training satisfies the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) requirement for auxin specific training for approved dicamba and 2,4-D formulations
- This training is not a substitute for the state-specific Certified Private Applicator training, which is required to purchase and use Restricted Use Pesticides
- This training qualifies for 1 CEU of laws and regs

Effective March 21, 2020

- To receive a certificate of completion for this course, participants must obtain a score of 100% or greater on the online Auxin Specific Applicator Test. The learner may retake the test as often as is necessary.
- This certification permits use of approved auxin formulations for the 2020 season only.

Learners can gain access to the course by going to [AgriLife Learn](#) and browsing for the course or by this direct link: <https://agrilifelearn.tamu.edu/product?catalog=AGCH-001>.

CEU Programs

TDA has approved web-based delivery, through June 1, 2020, for CEU training that would traditionally be conducted face-to-face. Agents can conduct web-based training activities to host applicators needing pesticide CEUs by following the procedures stipulated in the "[TDA Course Accreditation Guide](#)." Courses cannot be recorded for later broadcast, as those are considered "Correspondence Activities," which require TDA approval, course examination(s), roster submission and records retention.

Distance technology meetings may be conducted through the Local commodity committees as they have done in the past with the county and multi-county and district face-to-face meetings. They must follow all Auxin and Pesticide CEU procedures and regulations, remembering these have to be "Live" events.

CEAs would be responsible for collecting TDA license numbers, ensuring attendance and distributing certificates as well as submitting rosters to TDA within 14 days as with traditional programs.

Registration: [AgriLife Conference Services](#) will handle registrations for webinars. If someone wants AgriLife Conference Services to host registration and payment processing for an online webinar, they can go to the [About Us page](#) on our website and complete the appropriate Registration Questionnaire.

The fastest turnaround for a registration to go live on the site is two business days after receiving a complete and final Registration Questionnaire.

Once the webinar is live on the website, the registrant would go online to register. Registrants can pay via credit card, select to mail a check, or receive an invoice (information about our Payment Options is on the About Us page of our website). If registrants pay with a credit card, they are emailed a confirmation that contains directions on how to access the webinar. If they indicate they are mailing a check, those instructions will be emailed once the check is posted. If they wish to receive an invoice, once the required purchase order and W9 is received, they will be emailed the instructions to access the webinar. AgriLife Conference Services cannot distribute unique "key codes" in the enrollment instructions. It would be the same enrollment instructions across the board.

Additional Trainings on AgriLife Learn

AGRICULTURAL APPLICATOR COURSES

[Texas Private Pesticide Applicator Training](#)

Cost: \$75.00

Prepare to take the Private Applicator Exam administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture with this course designed for pesticide applicators in Texas. Private pesticide applicators use or supervise the use of restricted-use or state-limited-use pesticides or herbicides to produce an agricultural commodity.

[Minimizing Spray Drift CEU](#)

Cost: \$15.00

This course is for Texas Department of Agriculture Pesticide Applicators seeking TDA continuing education units (CEUs). This course provides 1 Drift Minimization CEU. Applicators who complete the course will gain knowledge of the factors affecting pesticide drift, such as inversion, spray nozzles, and drift factors.

[Herbicide - Mode of Action CEU](#)

Cost: \$15.00

Those who participate in this course will learn about herbicides, different modes of action, and different herbicide families. Pesticide applicators looking to receive 1 hour of credit for TDA pesticide general CEU can be earned with this course.

[Public Health Pest Management Category Training](#)

Cost: \$160.00

This course is a blended course designed for state, county, local government noncommercial vector control technicians, and seasonal employees of the vector control agencies. Participants will receive certified training that will prepare them for the Public Health pest control category exam with TDA.

STRUCTURAL APPLICATOR COURSES

[20 Hour Structural Pest Control Apprentice Training](#)

Cost: \$395.00

This course is designed to assist pest management companies in training new employees. By taking this course, apprentices and other employees will have the opportunity to receive 20 hours of in-depth training required by the TDA Structural Pest Control Service.

[Texas Lawn and Ornamental Pest Management](#)

Cost: \$130.00

As urban areas expand and homeowners continue to want attractive lawns and landscapes, the use of pesticides to control plant pests has continued to grow. Take this course to become an apprentice and learn about pesticides and their proper use, as well as how to apply them for home, lawn, and other landscapes.

Effective March 21, 2020

[Texas Pest Category Pest Management](#)

Cost: \$130.00

Designed for Technician Apprentices, Technicians, and Certified Applicators with a Pest Category license, or others looking to advance their training in “Pest Category”. Through this course, you will learn basic and advanced instruction in pest management.

[Texas Termite Category Pest Management](#)

Cost: \$150.00

This course is for Technician Apprentices, Technicians, and Certified Applicators licensed in the Termite Category of the Structural Pest Control Service (SPCS), a division of Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). Participants will gain an advanced understanding of termite identification, biology, and pest management.

[Texas Weed Category Pest Management](#)

Cost: \$130.00

Any plant growing in the wrong place can be a weed. Crepe myrtles growing on a putting green would certainly be weeds. The same goes for bermudagrass growing in flower. Learn the basics of identifying and controlling weeds, as well as cultural practices, equipment, and application and reading labels correctly.