



## Arizona Department of Agriculture Pesticide Applicator Class and Licensing Exams

Where: Tucson, Arizona at the Hotel Tucson City Center 475 N. Granada Avenue

Class & Exams: Monday, October 15, 2018 Cost: \$40

Registration: <https://swvma.eventsmart.com/events/pesticide-applicator-class/>

**Background:** Southwest Vegetation Management Association is sponsoring a training and testing day for people who would like to get an Arizona Department of Agriculture Pesticide Applicator's License. This class is being offered the day prior to our annual meeting at the Hotel Tucson City Center at 475 N. Granada Ave. in Tucson.

**There are 2 types of pesticide applicator certifications in Arizona. Please check with your agency/company to make sure the Arizona Dept of Agriculture certification is the certification you need.**

The other certification (not covered by this class and testing) is through Arizona's Pest Management Division – this is the one that ADOT requires.

If you need Pest Management Division certification, you can still take this class, but testing is done at the Metro Institute; cost is \$55. Metro Institute testing facilities are located in Flagstaff, Glendale, Kingman, Phoenix, Prescott, Tucson, and Yuma. Call 602-542-3578 or click on these links for further information:  
<https://agriculture.az.gov/pests-pest-control/pest-management-faq>  
[https://opm.azda.gov/Assets/PDFDocuments/OPM\\_License\\_Exam\\_Procedure.pdf](https://opm.azda.gov/Assets/PDFDocuments/OPM_License_Exam_Procedure.pdf)

**The class** will include information covered in the National Pesticide Applicator's Core Exam and other category exams. Category exams offered: Forestry Pest, Agricultural Plant, Fumigation for grain bin pests and burrowing rodents (agricultural), Ornamental and Turf (agricultural) and Aquatic Pest. Please indicate on the registration form which, category exams you will be taking, in addition to the core exam. People who are interested in getting their Commercial Applicator's license need to take the core exam and at least one category exam.

**Sign-in and mailing address verification** will be from 7:30-7:50 am and the class is from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM with a 1-hour lunch; the Core exam is a 90-minute, 90-question, multiple-choice exam that will be given at 3:30 PM. Category exams are untimed multiple-choice tests that contain 50 questions.

**Fees:** The \$40 fee for this class pay for lunch and room rental; there is no cost to take the exams. You will be told your test score/s at the end of the day. Once you pass the exam, there will be a \$50 annual licensing fee. This licensing fee is waived for government employees.

**Request for Government Employees:** If you work for a governmental agency, please bring a photocopy of your agency badge, identification card, or a letter from your supervisor (on agency letterhead) stating that you work for a governmental agency. We will attach this document to your exam paperwork so that the Dept. of Agriculture staff will automatically waive your \$50 annual licensing fee.

**Testing Materials:** The exam administrator will provide all of the testing materials, including answer sheets, pencils, scratch paper, and calculators.

**Identification:** Please bring a government-issued identification card, such as a driver's license, to this event.

**Study Guides:** The National Pesticide Applicator Certification Core Manual contains background information and practice exams, which will help you to prepare for the National Pesticide Applicator Core Exam. Core manual chapters and practice tests can be downloaded for free from the following website: <https://www.nasda.org/foundation/pesticide-applicator-certification-and-training>. You can also purchase a hard copy of the study manual for \$10.00 from the Arizona Department of Agriculture. Call (602) 542-3578 for ordering information. Commercial applicator category exam study guides can be ordered through Cornell University at: <https://www.cornellstore.com/books/cornell-cooperative-ext-pmep-manuals>

**It is highly recommended to read the study guide/s prior to taking the class.** Questions on the exams are drawn from the study materials; there is a lot of information, and specific questions may or may not be addressed in the 1-day class.

**You MUST preregister online to take this course. NO WALK-INS! Please arrive promptly, and allow time to check in. Space is limited to 40 students.**

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