



Pesticide Applicators & Pesticide Dealers

**Information
You Should Know**

Worker Protection Standard

You must:

- Follow all Worker Protection Standard (WPS) Label Directions
- Provide pesticide safety training for your workers and handlers
- Have an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Safety Poster at your central location
- Supply your employees with Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in clean operating condition
- Provide emergency assistance when handlers or workers have been poisoned or injured by pesticides
- Post written warnings or orally warn workers who will be within a 1/4 mile of a treated area
- Establish a decontamination site within 1/4 mile of all workers and handlers
- Provide enough water for routine and emergency whole body wash and for eye flushing

All of the information can be found in "The Worker Protection Standard For Agricultural Pesticides - How To Comply" Manual.

Resources

WPS resources can be found on Pesticide Educational Resource Collaborative (PERC) website at www.pesticideresources.org, or contact the Pesticide Section at the Arkansas Department of Agriculture, Plant Industries Division at (501) 225-1598.

Restricted Use Pesticide Dealer

- A license is required to purchase any Federal or State Restricted Use Pesticide (RUP) in Arkansas.
- Federal RUPs will be clearly marked on the outside container label.
- State RUPs include products designated as Class F (2,4-D) and/or Class H (dicamba) in containers more than one quart for Agricultural Use.
- Please reference the “Arkansas Regulations on Pesticide Classification” on the Arkansas Department of Agriculture Plant Industries Division webpage for the most current information on Pesticide Classification.
- All license expire December 31 of each year.

The “Registered Pesticide Search” feature allows public access to the Pesticide Registration database. Labels and product specific information can be viewed for all products registered in Arkansas. Also available on the webpage is a list of Federally Restricted Use Pesticides and State Restricted Use Pesticides.

Visit the Pesticide Registration webpage for more information at:
agriculture.arkansas.gov/plant-industries/pesticide-section/registration

Commercial/Non-Commercial

- It is a violation of the law for a dealer to sell Restricted Use Pesticides (RUP) to an individual that does not have a current year license. Duly licensed applicators should be prepared to show their license when making a purchase.
- Commercial/Non-Commercial applicators, do not wait until the last minute to apply for an applicator's license. If you wait until you need the license to pursue it, the processing time may hold you up.
- All commercial applications made by ground must be done under the supervision of a certified, licensed Commercial Applicator. The driver/operator of the vehicle must be either a certified, licensed Commercial Applicator or a licensed Commercial Applicator Technician (CAT).
- Equipment set up must meet droplet size specifications for herbicide application to field crops. Please refer to the regulations regarding droplet size formation to prevent off target movement of pesticides.
- Refer to Regulations Under Act 389 of 1975 as amended, for additional information.

Private Applicators

*Must be a producer of a Agricultural Commodity

Initial Certification

Certification for a first time applicant can be obtained in one of two ways:

1. Applicant may attend the Pesticide Applicator Training offered by one of the County Cooperative Extension Offices each year.
2. Applicant must pass an exam administered by the Arkansas Department of Agriculture. The certification or recertification will be valid for either one 5-year license or five 1-year licenses.

Recertification

There are two methods of recertification:

1. Applicant may attend the Pesticide Applicator Training offered by one of the County Cooperative Extension Offices each year, or
2. **NEW!** Applicant may complete the Online Recertification Training available through the University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service.

Extension Service Website:

www.uaex.edu/farm-ranch/pest-management/pesticide-licensing/

Renewal applications will be mailed 30 days before your old license expires. Once certified or recertified, complete application form (DP-25) and submit with fee to:

Arkansas Department of Agriculture
Plant Industries Division, Pesticide Section
1 Natural Resources Drive
Little Rock, AR 72205

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IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Please Read The Label

Before You Mix The Chemicals

It is the responsibility of commercial applicators to be aware of all label requirements and crop restrictions for each pesticide applied to a clients field crop. Commercial and non-commercial pesticide applicators, pesticide dealer representatives, crop consultants, and chemical manufacturer representatives who misuse or recommend the misuse of a pesticide will be held responsible for the label violation.

Current Pesticide Laws and Regulations can be found at: agriculture.arkansas.gov/plant-industries/pesticide-section/laws

Questions?

We're here to help!

For further information about Pesticide Applicators & Pesticide Dealers, see resources available online at agriculture.arkansas.gov/plant-industries/pesticide-section



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