School IPM License Category Guide

How can I obtain the school IPM license category?

To add the school IPM license category to your current Public or Commercial Pesticide Applicator license, you will need to pass the school IPM exam (available starting March 25, 2019) at an ODA-approved testing center. If you do not yet have a Public or Commercial license, you will also need to pass the Laws and Safety exam.

Once you pass the required exams, a license application will be sent to you. Please submit the completed application with payment to the secure fax or address listed on the application form and allow 2-4 weeks for processing.

How do I schedule an exam?

Exams can be scheduled starting March 25, 2019 through the Metro Institute’s website. Additional information about testing centers and fees is available on the ODA website.

What should I study before taking the school IPM category exam?

Before taking the school IPM license category exam, it is highly recommended that you study the Integrated Pest Management (IPM) in Oregon Schools manual. This manual will be available for order through the National Pesticide Safety Education Center starting March 1, 2019. Information about ordering the manual and an exam outline are available on the ODA website.

What does the school IPM category cover?

The school IPM license category covers the use of pesticides on the campus of a school (defined in ORS 634.700), excluding applications of pesticides:

- Using power-driven equipment;
- To control wood-destroying pests, bed bugs, lice, fleas, ticks, and adult mosquitoes;
- Classified as restricted use pesticides (RUPs);
- Formulated as total release foggers (except antimicrobial and insecticidal soap products);
- Not registered by the Oregon Department of Agriculture;
- To locations not covered by the school’s adopted integrated pest management plan.