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Testing Center Limitations During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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ODA has prided itself on developing a system which enables potential test takers to take online exams and receive immediate exam scores at over 20 proctored locations through-out the state. Since 2016, this has resulted in flexibility for Oregon test takers and for more rapid license issuance. ODA has contracted with Metro Institute and the testing centers to provide excellent customer service.

However, to reduce the potential spread of COVID-19, many of our testing centers (community colleges and universities) have temporarily suspended classes and other services. Therefore, in many cases the proctored test taking centers are not open, and therefore online exams are not offered.

Current Options Include:

(1) Travel to any of the remaining Oregon testing centers that are still open.

(2) Wait until the Oregon test taking center closest to you opens up again.

(3) Depending on the exam and license, you may consider examining in a state where there is partial reciprocity with Oregon, and where paper exams may possibly be still offered.

Oregon has partial reciprocity with Washington and Idaho. Read the information at the link below, and contact ODA if you have questions.
https://www.oregon.gov/ODA/programs/Pesticides/Licensing/Pages/ReciprocalLicensing.aspx

Note - Because of public health related concerns, some states may temporarily cease offering paper exams with little notice. **Check frequently with that state prior to making plans**.

How to schedule exams in Idaho:

- Idaho State Department of Agriculture has resumed applicator licensing exams, as of May 4. For details, go to https://agri.idaho.gov/main/56-2/pesticides/pesticide-licensing.

How to schedule exams in Washington:

- Call the WSDA toll-free line at (877)301-4555 to schedule exams
  Note: Most locations currently are full for over a month
- To minimize any business disruptions during this serious pandemic, ODA and Metro Institute will stay in frequent contact with the testing centers, and will update our websites when provided with new information.

If you have any questions, contact:
ODA at (503) 986-4635; or email pestx@oda.state.or.us
Metro at 1-877- 533-2900, or go to https://www.metrosignup.com/home.asp

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Status of Testing Centers

We will attempt to keep the list below updated. However, because of public health related concerns, some testing centers may close with little advanced notice. Therefore, please confirm that a testing center will be open, prior to making plans.

Testing Centers that are open (remember to reconfirm):
Bend: Sylvan Learning Center
Brookings: Southwestern Oregon Community College
Burns: Treasure Valley Community College
Coos Bay: Southwestern Oregon Community College
Eugene: University of Oregon
Gresham: Mount Hood Community College (on Mondays)
Klamath Falls: Klamath Community College
McMinnville: Chemeketa Community College (limited availability)
Milwaukie: Sylvan Learning Center
Ontario: Treasure Valley Community College (limited availability)
Portland: Sylvan Learning Center (Fremont)
Roseburg: Umpqua Community College
Salem: Chemeketa Community College (on Wednesdays)
Salem: Sylvan Learning Center
White City: Rogue Community College

The following new sites are expected to open soon:
Beaverton: Sylvan Learning Center

The following testing centers i Oregon are closed:
Albany: Linn-Benton Community College — Closed indefinitely
Astoria: Clatsop Community College — Closed indefinitely
Bend: Central Oregon Community College — Closed indefinitely
Hermiston: Blue Mountain Community College — Closed until November 1
Klamath Falls: Oregon Institute of Technology — Closed until indefinitely
La Grande: Eastern Oregon University — Closed until January 2021
Oregon City: Clackamas Community College — Closed indefinitely
Pendleton: Blue Mountain Community College — Closed indefinitely
Portland/Rock Creek: Portland Community College — Closed indefinitely
The Dalles: Columbia Gorge Community College — Closed until indefinitely
Wilsonville: Clackamas Community College — Closed indefinitely