



Training Experience Requirements for Aerial Pesticide Applicator License Applicants

This document can help provide guidance for licensed certified applicators that are relatively new to the aerial application field.

Oregon law requires that Aerial Pesticide Applicator licenses only be issued to individuals with at least 50 hours of experience on flights¹ as outlined in ORS 634.128(2)(d), as well as [other requirements](#). In the state of Oregon, a person may not apply a pesticide by aircraft unless they hold a valid aerial pesticide applicator's license. This is true even if you are training to be an aerial pesticide applicator.

Therefore, if you are in Oregon and you are in the process of accruing 50 hours of experience on flights as referenced above, you are limited to:

- Spraying water, fire retardant, fertilizer or some other substance to simulate spraying a pesticide; or
- Receiving in-person training from the licensed applicator applying pesticides, during qualifying flights. Note: Training must be reasonably focused and free from distractions.

In addition to the above, ODA may accept your out-of-state experience applying pesticides by aircraft if you were appropriately licensed during the applications.

To qualify, your flight experience must be properly documented:

To support your Aerial Pesticide License application, you must provide a signed statement attesting to the fact that you have at least 50 hours of qualifying experience. Upon request, you must also provide one of the following Record Types for each qualifying flight.

Record Type 1: If a pesticide was applied*	Record Type 2: If a substance other than a pesticide was applied*
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pesticide application records from the state in which the application took place; and 2. For each application record, the total "time in service" for the purpose of applying, or training to apply, pesticides by aircraft¹; and 3. If you receive qualifying flight training and your name is not on the application record, you must provide your pesticide applicator license number, and flight logs (pilot logbook) or other comparable records. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Your flight logs from pilot logbook (or similar). 2. For each flight log entry, the total "time in service" for the purpose of training to apply pesticides by aircraft¹; and 3. Your name and pesticide applicator license number (from state in which training took place).

* Additional records may be required.

¹ Only the "[time in service](#)" during application and to and from the application site will qualify. You must either be, or receive in-person training from, the primary person responsible for operating the application equipment controls. Other activities, such as mixing & loading, refueling, breaks, computer simulated applications, will not count toward qualifying time.



Example Time In Service Record*

Name and License # ^a		State ^b	Who is Responsible for Operating Application Equipment? ^c	Substance Applied	Date of Application	Start Time	End Time	Total Time ^d	“Total Time” Spent on Non-Qualifying Activities ^e	Total Qualifying Time in Service ^f
Applicator in Training	Supervising Applicator (if applicable)									
Grand Total										

^a Full name and the license number from the state in which the application took place.
^b State where application took place.
^c To qualify, you must either be, or receive in-person training from, the primary person responsible for operating the application equipment controls. Training must be reasonably free from distractions.
^d Total Time = End Time – Start Time
^e Activities that will not count toward qualifying time include mixing & loading, refueling, breaks, computer simulated applications, and flight time not related to the application of pesticides or similar substances (ORS 634.128(2)(d)).
^f Includes only flight time (time in service) during application and to and from the application site. Total Qualifying Time in Service = Total Time – Time Spent on Non-Qualifying Activities
 *This example record is separate from the requirements for pesticide application records described in ORS 634.146 and OAR 603-057-130.

Signature _____

Date _____