YOU ARE A PESTICIDE CONSULTANT IF YOU...

Provide technical advice and/or give recommendations on the use of Restricted Use Pesticides (RUPs).

LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ You must pass the Consultant's exam.
- ✓ Certification is good for up to five years and expires Dec. 31 of the fifth year.
- ✓ License must be renewed annually.
- ✓ You must have the Demonstration & Research category on your Consultants license if you are conducting demonstration and research trials that involve the use of a pesticide that is either not registered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) **or** using it in a manner that is not allowed by the product labeling.

RECERTIFICATION

- ✓ May be accomplished either by re-taking the Consultant's exam or by attending 40 hours of ODA-approved recertification courses within the certification period.
- ✓ Only up to 15 credit hours may be accrued each year.
- ✓ Credits will not be given for repeating a course in the same calendar year, regardless of location or sponsor.
- ✓ A list of ODA approved classes is available at http://oda.state.or.us/dbs/recert_classes/search.lasso.

LIMITATIONS

- ✓ A Pesticide Consultant's license **cannot** be used as an applicator license. **However,** a person with a current Pesticide Consultants license may apply for a Private Pesticide Applicators license without additional testing.
- ✓ You can not sell or distribute restricted use pesticides without a Pesticide Dealer's license.
- ✓ A Pesticide Consultant can not supervise unlicensed individuals, licensed pesticide apprentices or trainees, or Private Pesticide Applicators applying pesticides.
- ✓ To be able to purchase or use a restricted use pesticide, a Pesticide Consultant must have the Demonstration and Research category on their license.

WEBSITE

https://oda.direct/AboutPesticides

- ✓ Advisories
- ✓ Enforcement actions
- ✓ Laws and compliance
- ✓ Licensing
- ✓ Pesticide products
- ✓ Recertification
- ✓ Recordkeeping
- ✓ Storage and disposal

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Pesticide Consultant Responsibilities

READING THE LABEL

Read it...

Read the label before you recommend a pesticide product to others. **All crops, use sites, and rates must be found on the product label.**

Follow it...

When advising on pesticide product uses, stress the importance of following all label directions, such as:

- ✓ Application rates, use sites, and frequency.
- ✓ Application equipment restrictions.
- ✓ Personal protection equipment (PPE) for the listed tasks.
- ✓ Make sure the producer knows the pre-harvest intervals (PHIs), if any.
- ✓ Make sure the producer knows the restricted entry intervals (REIs), if any.
- ✓ Make sure the producer knows the associated plant-back restrictions.

AVOIDING PROBLEMS

- ✓ Make sound, legal recommendations.
- ✓ Always check the label to make sure the crop or use site is listed on the label.
- ✓ Advise and assist growers on how to keep application equipment in good working order and calibrated correctly.
- ✓ Educate applicators on how to prevent particle and vapor drift.
- ✓ Advise and educate growers and other applicators about buffers and their purpose.
- ✓ Advise applicators on how to protect local endangered species.
- ✓ Make sure applicators understand the different types of sensitive sites, such as: schools, hospitals, bee hives, water sources, vulnerable crops, etc.
- ✓ Coach growers and applicators on integrated pest management (IPM) and best management practices (BMPs).
- ✓ Understand pesticide resistance management and advise accordingly.
- ✓ Know the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for crops.

EXPERIMENTAL USE PERMITS (EUPS)

- ✓ An EUP allows a person to apply a pesticide experimentally with the intent of gathering data needed to satisty pesticide registration requirements of ODA and U.S. EPA.
- ✓ An EUP may only be granted to an individual with Demonstration and Research category on their license.
- ✓ EUPs may be required at the Federal and/or the State level.

For information about EUPs, go to: https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills_laws/ors/ors634.html

https://www.epa.gov/expobox/exposure-factors-handbook-chapter-12

RECORD REQUIREMENTS

- ✓ You must keep and maintain application records for all applications made for demonstration and research purposes.
- ✓ Application records must be kept for three years.
- ✓ Recordkeeping requirements can be found at https://oda.direct/Recordkeeping
- ✓ Any person using pesticides for experimental or research purposes shall prepare, maintain, and provide records in the same manner as in ORS 634.146.