



## Pesticide Applicator In-person Certification Testing Suspended – Certification Extended to December 2021

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MADISON – Due to COVID-19, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is suspending pesticide applicator in-person certification testing until further notice. As a result, DATCP is extending current pesticide applicator certifications until December 31, 2021. Private and commercial pesticide applicators with certifications that expire January 31, 2020-November 30, 2021, can continue to operate as a certified pesticide applicator until December 31, 2021.

### **New Online Process for Temporary Certifications**

DATCP and the University of Wisconsin Pesticide Applicator Training Program are working to develop a temporary online certification exam process. This will allow individuals to receive temporary certification as a private or commercial pesticide applicator.

Online exams will be available starting on the following dates:  
December 1, 2020

- Commercial – Structural Pest Control (Category 7.1)
- Private – General Agriculture (Category 100/101)

January 1, 2021

- Commercial – Field and Vegetable Crops (Category 1.1)
- Commercial – Forestry (Category 2.0)
- Commercial – Seed Treatment (Category 4.0)
- Private – Greenhouse and Nursery (Category 104/105)
- Private – Fruit Crops (Category 112/113)

January 15, 2021

- Commercial – Turf and Landscape (Category 3.0)
- Commercial – Aquatic and Mosquito (Category 5.0)
- Commercial – Right of Way and Natural Areas (Category 6.0)
- Commercial – Aerial (Category 9.9)

### **More Information**

More information about the temporary online certification exam is available at <https://patstore.wisc.edu/secure/default.asp>. To receive updates about certified pesticide applicator information and requirements, subscribe to [DATCP's email list](#).

DATCP certifies over 19,000 commercial pesticide applicators and over 12,000 private applicators. To learn more about DATCP's certification and licensing for pesticide applicators visit

[https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs\\_Services/PesticidesFertilizersCertificationLicensing.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/PesticidesFertilizersCertificationLicensing.aspx).

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