

Commercial Application Certification

C03 Ornamental and Turf

Aligned Program of Study: Horticulture Science

Description

This category includes commercial applicators using or supervising the use of general or restricted use pesticides to control pests in the maintenance and production of ornamental trees, including fruit trees, shrubs, flowers, turf, residential and commercial lawns, golf greens, athletic fields, and the like.

Applicators shall demonstrate practical knowledge of pesticide problems associated with the production and maintenance of ornamental trees, shrubs, plantings, and turf, including cognizance of potential phytotoxicity due to a wide variety of plant material, drift, and persistence beyond the intended period of pest control. Because of the frequent proximity of human habitations to application activities, applicators in this category must demonstrate practical knowledge of application methods to minimize or prevent hazards to humans, pets, and other animals.

Certification Information

Test Owner

Tennessee Department of Agriculture

Testing Sites/Centers

Initial Certification exams are offered by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture at various locations across the state. Tennessee Department of Agriculture has contracted with PSI Services to provide certification testing at several select locations.

Registration Procedures

You may schedule your test online through PSI Services. Find testing locations by clicking exam locations. A registration form for the new locations may be found [here](#): PSI's Exam Application. NOTE: Select Tennessee and again Tennessee Pesticide. The exam fee is \$25 and payable to PSI by business check, money order, or credit card.

Preparing to offer the certification

Exam Details

The commercial certification exam incorporates the previously separate CORE exam materials. It is recommended that applicants order the CORE study material in addition to the category specific (C03) study manual to prepare them for the exam. Must bring photo ID to the testing site.

Materials and Resources

The certification materials are designed to walk applicants through the exam, whereas the license materials are designed to supplement your experience and education. [Order forms](#) are available from the University of Tennessee Pesticide Safety and Education Program or by using the [online form](#).

Vendors with Data Sharing MOU with TDOE

Materials, resources, and other information located at https://agriculture.tn.gov/default.asp	
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