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NDA REMINDS PESTICIDE APPLICATORS TO RECERTIFY BY APRIL 15 DEADLINE

LINCOLN—The Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA) would like to remind pesticide applicators who received a special extension to their applicator license in May 2020 due to the pandemic, that they must complete recertification training before April 15 in order to retain their licenses.

The pandemic forced the cancellation of many in-person training sessions for pesticide applicators, but they can work through their training requirements with online opportunities and in-person events through the University of Nebraska Extension Office and Pearson VUE.

“Pesticide applicators fill an important need in the agriculture industry,” said NDA Director Steve Wellman. “We’d like to remind those applicators to make sure to complete their recertification training by April 15.”

Commercial/Non-Commercial Recertification and Initial Training session through Pesticide Safety Education Program is open for registration at pested.unl.edu.

Several Pearson VUE testing sites are open. A list of locations in Nebraska can be found at nda.nebraska.gov/pesticide/pearson_vue_testing.html. Appointments are scheduled through Pearson VUE.

Private Applicator in-person trainings are being hosted at local county extension offices. Contact your local extension office for more information. Training is still being offered online at pested.unl.edu or you may opt out of training by passing the Private Applicator exam available at an in-person testing session.

Learn more about the pesticide recertification program and find certification training on NDA’s website at nda.nebraska.gov/pesticide/applicator_testing.html.

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