

## 2020 Commercial Pesticide Applicator Recertification Options

Due to the shutdown with COVID-19 in Louisiana and throughout the country many of our recertification meetings were postponed. After meeting with the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) and the LSU AgCenter Administration, both virtual (online/computer based) recertification training opportunities and face-to-face (in-person) recertification opportunities will be offered to all commercial pesticide applicators certified in Louisiana during the upcoming months in 2020. These meetings are for those applicators that need recertification before the end of 2020.

**NOTE:** These trainings will consist of a general pesticide safety format that will serve to **recertify** commercial pesticide applicators in **all categories**.

In order to attend the trainings, an applicator **must pre-register**. If you have already pre-registered for a recertification training that was postponed, we will honor the fees that you have already paid and ask that you let us know what date you would like to attend. The cost for either type of training (virtual or in-person) will be \$80.

### Tentative Schedule for Upcoming Trainings

Virtual Recertifications	Times
July 8 & 9	1:00 – 4:00 PM on both days
July 28	8:30 – 11:30 AM Training; 11:30 – 1:00 Lunch Break; 1:00 – 4:00 PM Training
August 25 & 26	8:30 – 11:30 AM on both days
September 23 & 24	8:30 – 11:30 AM on both days
October 20 & 21	8:30 – 11:30 AM on both days
November 5	8:30 – 11:30 AM Training; 11:30 – 1:00 Lunch Break; 1:00 – 4:00 PM Training
In-Person Recertifications	7:30 AM Sign In; 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM
August 13	Baton Rouge
August 19	Alexandria
September 30	Alexandria
October 27	Alexandria
LPMA O&T Meetings	Please contact LPMA; Phone: (225) 927-5722 or Email: <a href="mailto:info@lpca.org">info@lpca.org</a>
September 16	Bossier City, O&T
October 7	Lafayette, O&T
December 8	Kenner, O&T

As listed above, all trainings will be six (6) hours in length. Two virtual (one-day) trainings are scheduled for three (3) hours in the morning and three (3) hours in the afternoon with a large break during the middle of the day to help people try to get their credit in one day. We have also scheduled four virtual training opportunities that are two-day trainings [three (3) hours each day] to allow people a much longer break between both sections. These are being offered to reduce the number of people that we have in face-to-face meetings. There is an unlimited number of people that can participate in a virtual training event.

If you are not able to participate in virtual training sessions, we are still going to offer in-person trainings. Please see the dates and locations in the chart. At in-person training events, attendee's will be required to sit 6 feet apart and will be required to wear face masks. These are guidelines to keep everyone safe while in-person. We will only be allowed to have 40 people present during in-person trainings. Again, **you must pre-register** to attend either virtual or in-person trainings, even if you registered earlier for an event that was postponed. If you are not able to attend a virtual or in-person training, LDAF does allow for recertification by re-testing in each certification category.

Virtual trainings are a privilege that we have been granted for this season and we would like to respect this opportunity. Please plan to interact and participate during both the virtual and the in-person trainings.

Be sure to pick the date or dates that works best for you. Registration can be found at: <https://store.lsuagcenter.com/c-3-eventsservices.aspx>

If your organization is not able to pay online with a credit card please complete the application form and mail a check to the mailing address enclosed on the form.

If you previously paid a registration fee earlier this year for an event that was postponed due to the COVID-19 shutdown, please complete the registration form attached, and check the box that indicates that you already paid. Then select the event that you intend to attend.

#### Virtual Training Details:

Virtual training will be done live, in an online format through Microsoft TEAMS. Applicators that are planning to participate in recertification programs virtually will have to pre-register, must have an email address and access to the internet. The day prior to the training you will receive an email with the meeting invite and instructions. Example of meeting invite below:

### Join Microsoft Teams Meeting

United States, Baton Rouge (Toll)

Conference ID:

[Local numbers](#) | [Reset PIN](#) | [Learn more about Teams](#) | [Meeting options](#)

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Be sure to have your certification card number to assist LDAF with proper identification for recertification credit.

Both virtual and in-person trainings will be monitored by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry staff. Throughout the virtual training there will be quiz questions that you will be required to answer in order to ensure that participants are engaged during the training. Questions will only cover the material presented.

# Pesticide Recertification Training

LSU AgCenter

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

LDAF # \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Registration: \$80.00

- Place a check mark (✓) next to the event for which you wish to register.

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<b>In-Person Recertifications</b>	<b>ONLY 40 PEOPLE AT IN-PERSON TRAININGS</b>	
August 13	Baton Rouge	
August 19	Alexandria	
September 30	Alexandria	
October 27	Alexandria	
<b>Previously Paid for Postponed Training</b>		

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to *LSU AgCenter* and **mail checks with this form** included to:

LSU AgCenter

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Alexandria, LA 71302