

Initial Private Applicator Training

March 29, 2017 * Lame Deer, MT

Charging Horse Casino, ½ Mile East on US-212, Lame Deer, MT 59043

8:40 am	Welcome	
8:45 am	Private Pesticide License	Molly Hammond, Bighorn County MSU Extension Agent
	Applicators will learn what pesticides are, the difference between general use and restricted use pesticides, the importance of the license number, how to stay certified, pesticide fees, and what you can and can't do with your license.	
9:15 am	Reading the Pesticide Product Label	Molly Hammond, Bighorn County MSU Extension Agent
	This will cover the importance of reading the label and how to understand the label. The presentation will cover active versus inert ingredients, signal words, restricted entry interval, product rates, pesticide storage, disposal information, and importance of crop and site locations.	
9:45 am	Pertinent Pesticide Laws	Eric Clanton, MDA District Officer
	This presentation will cover the Worker Protection Standard (WPS), Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), Montana Pesticides Act, Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, and other Montana laws and regulations. Includes information on recordkeeping of pesticide applications.	
10:45 am	Break	
11:00 am	Pesticide Safety	Dr. Cecil Tharp, MSU Pesticide Education Specialist
	Pesticide safety covers acute and chronic toxicity, the four routes of exposure, pesticide formulations, applicator safety, liquid versus dry formulations, LD50, signal words, and how the human body processes toxic substances. Additional topics include personal protective equipment, laundering clothing, proper storage, and procedures for poisoning.	
12:00 pm	Catered Lunch	
12:45 pm	Integrated Pest Management (IPM)	Dr. Cecil Tharp, MSU Pesticide Education Specialist
	This section includes the definition of IPM and its benefits. Applicators will learn about economic thresholds and economic injury levels. The presentation will also cover monitoring techniques, pest identification, control methods (chemical, cultural, biocontrol, transgenic, and mechanical), and resistance management.	
1:45 pm	Pesticides in the Environment	Amy Bowser, MSU Pesticide Education Technician
	Applicators will learn pesticide properties in regards to environmental contamination and how to mitigate the impacts, including soil and pesticide properties, pesticide movement and drift.	
2:45 pm	Break	
3:00 pm	Calibration of Sprayers	Dr. Cecil Tharp, MSU Pesticide Education Specialist
	Applicators will determine output of sprayers (GPA) and nozzle output. Other topics will be how to read a nozzle specification sheet, understand the effects of speed and pressure, how many acres can you spray with a given volume, how much pesticide product to add to the tank, how much pesticide solution do you add to the tank, and using calibration formulas to help you keep pesticide records.	
4:00 pm	Review and Exam	Amy Bowser, MSU Pesticide Education Technician
5:00 pm	Wrap Up	

Please register by March 15th as space is limited! You can register at:
<http://www.pesticides.montana.edu/pat/education/initial-PAT.html>

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Available credits: 6 Private Applicator



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