

Initial Pesticide Training in Chester

Montana State University Extension is offering a private pesticide applicator initial training in Chester on Wednesday, February 1st.

The February 1st training will take place in Chester at the Fire Hall, located at 710 West 7th Street. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. The training will conclude with the Montana Private Applicator Certification exam between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m.

Individuals must be licensed as a private applicator before purchasing and using a pesticide designated by the EPA as a restricted-use pesticide. For applicators to acquire their initial applicator license, they must either attend a private pesticide applicator initial training or pass a 50 question open book Montana Private Applicator Certification Exam at their local Extension office.

All participants receiving pesticide certification will be charged a \$10.00 training material fee and a \$40 license fee. Participants who are already certified and are participating to earn credits may attend the training free of charge.

Speakers at the class will include Jesse Fulbright, MSU Liberty County Extension, Nicole Gray, MSU Hill County Extension, Kari Lewis, MSU Glacier County Extension, Michaela Hystad, Montana Department of Agriculture, Cecil Tharp, MSU Extension Pesticide Education Specialist, and Tyler Lane, MSU Chouteau Extension.

The private pesticide applicator initial training is open to the public. Individuals who have a current private or commercial applicator license will receive six recertification credits toward their license. Those individuals not holding a private applicator license will be licensed as private applicators at the program. Pre-registration is recommended as pesticide manuals need to be ordered for participants. For more information or to register, contact Liberty County Extension (Jesse Fulbright) at 759-5625.

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