2021 APPRENTICE BEEKEEPING

2021 CLASS DATES

Three classroom instruction dates

February 19, 2021 (6pm-8:30pm) AND
February 20, 2021 (1pm-5pm) AND
February 26, 2021 (6pm-8:30pm)

REGISTRATION FORM

Class registration is $85 per person

Name ___________________________________

Address ___________________________________

City ___________________ State _______ Zip ________

Phone __________________

Email ___________________

Please make check or money order payable to
WSU Extension

Register by mail:

Beekeeping Class
222 N. Havana St.
Spokane, WA 99202-4799
Please note:

It is recommended that you NOT order bees or purchase any beekeeping equipment prior to your February classroom session.

Part of the class session includes discussion about the different types of bees and equipment available for beekeeping.

Plan on investing approximately $600 for a bee suit, necessary tools and equipment for one beehive.

Topics Covered

The Honey Bee & Her Products
Beekeeping Equipment
Making a Start in Beekeeping
Life in The Honey Bee Colony
Spring Management
Swarming
Summer Management
Fall Management
Diseases & Pests

Instruction/Package Bees Installation/Field Days

Initial instruction will be virtual, via Zoom.

Most new beekeepers obtain their honey bees as packages, a box containing about 10,000 bees with a queen. Package honey bees are scheduled to be in the Spokane area on April 17. Installation demonstrations for students to attend will be scheduled on that day.

For the remainder of their course, students should expect to attend Field Days, 80% of which are planned to be held outside. This is dependent upon the COVID-19 phase in effect at the time of the Field Days. The 2021 Field Day dates are:

- May 8  (Spring Management)
- May 29  (Spring-Summer Management)
- June 19  (Summer Management)

Field Day times TBD.

Class Materials Provided

- Apprentice Beekeeping Syllabus
- "The Bee Book" reference manual for apprentice level beekeepers
- Washington Master Beekeeping materials for apprentice certification

Students will be asked to pick up their class materials at Spokane County Extension, 222 N Havana St. Spokane, WA. Pickup instructions will be provided upon receipt of registration.

Class will be presented on the ZOOM platform

If you do not already have a Zoom account:
You will need to set this up prior to joining the Apprentice Beekeeping Zoom Class.

Refund & Cancellation Policy

Registration is complete when your form and your payment have been received. When full payment has been received, you will be emailed a confirmation. All cancellations must be in writing (e-mail is acceptable):

- Cancellations requested 28 days prior to the class date will receive a full refund, minus a $15 administration fee.
- Cancellations requested 27 to 10 days prior to class date will receive a 50% refund.
- Cancellations 9 days or less before the class, receive No Refunds.
- "No-shows" will not receive a refund.