



# WSDA Pesticide Licensing Who needs it?

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# Licensing Requirements

## 1. WSDA pesticide licensing program

- ❖ **12 license types**
- ❖ **Over 25 exam categories**

## 2. Requirements depend on type of pest control

- ❖ **Commercial Applicators**
- ❖ **Private Applicators**
- ❖ **Other – research, structural pest inspection, material sales/distribution**

## 3. Testing and renewal

- ❖ **Getting your license**
- ❖ **License renewal credits**

# License Types

## 1. Private Applicator (most growers)

- ❖ **Place: only on land owned or rented by applicator or his/her employer**
- ❖ **Purpose: producing an agricultural commodity**

## 2. Private Commercial Applicator

- ❖ **Place: only on land owned or rented by applicator or his/her employer**
- ❖ **Purpose: other than producing an agricultural commodity – e.g. parking lot weed control, road and ditch maintenance**

# What information do I need?

## ❖ **Pre-license Training Courses**

**WSU Pesticide Education Program  
for information call 253-445-4595  
or see <http://pep.wsu.edu>**

## ❖ **WSU Study Manuals**

**Purchase from WSU Cooperative Extension,  
order from WSU Bulletin Office or local  
Extension office.**

## ❖ **Exam Categories**

**Laws/Safety, Private Applicator, Agricultural  
Weed, Insect & Disease Control, Pest Animal  
Control, Soil Fumigation**

# Passing the Test

- ❖ **Conducted every Tuesday in Olympia, once monthly in Everett – call or see website for exact time and place**
- ❖ **Reservations Required – call or email**
- ❖ **Picture ID REQUIRED**  
**Fees payable at time of testing (check or exact cash only)**
- ❖ **Passing grade 70%**  
**Retesting is allowed with certain limitations.**

# For More Information

- ❖ **Contact WSDA Pesticide Licensing**  
**Toll-free 1-877-301-4555**  
**[license@agr.wa.gov](mailto:license@agr.wa.gov)**
- ❖ **Website**  
**<http://agr.wa.gov/PestFert>**