

Pesticide Certification Preparation Course

When: August 26-28, 2025

Where: Tidewater Agricultural Research & Extension Center
6321 Holland Rd., Suffolk, VA 23437

Cost: \$45 (\$15 for City or Government employee)

Pre-registration is required at <https://tinyurl.com/HR-PCPC-2025>.

**All refunds will incur a \$5 processing fee.*

**No refunds after August 18, 2025.*

This training is being offered as a review of the *Virginia Core Manual: Applying Pesticides Correctly* in preparation for certification testing for Registered Technician and Commercial Applicator Core. **This is *not* a recertification course for those already licensed.** In order to prepare for the exam, it is recommended that you study the Core Manual. You can order pesticide manuals from Virginia Tech Pesticide Programs (<https://vtp.ento.vt.edu/index/manuals.html>). Manuals are ***not*** supplied through this training.

We will also offer a review of *Commercial Applicator Category 3B—Turf Pest Control* on Thursday after the Core review. This session will help prepare you for the 3B exam. You must pass the Core exam in order to take category exams.

When you are ready to take the exam, you will need to go to DMV, schedule with a VDACS investigator, or pay to take the test online. Applications for testing can be found on the VDACS website (<https://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/pesticide-applicator-certification.shtml>).

Who needs to be certified?

If you apply pesticides as part of your job or for compensation, you should become a certified pesticide applicator. Visit the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services website (<https://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/pesticide-applicator-certification.shtml>) for more information from the Office of Pesticide Services.

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*TDD number is (800) 828-1120.

AGENDA

Tuesday, August 26

9:00 a.m. Registration
10:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. CORE Training, Part 1
12:15 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Lunch (on your own)
1:00pm -4:30pm CORE Training, Part 1
(cont.)

Wednesday, August 27

9:00 a.m. Registration
9:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. CORE Training, Part 2
12:15 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Lunch (on your own)
1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. CORE Training, Part 2
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Thursday, August 28

9:00 a.m. Registration
9:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Cat 3B Training
12:15 p.m.-1:00 p.m. Lunch (on your own)
1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Cat 3B Training (cont.)

Questions regarding this course should be directed to your local Extension Agent:

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