

Custom Ap Driver Training - February 21 & 22, 2012 Commercial Pesticide Testing, Retesting, or Re-Certification - February 23, 2012

CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE - HASTINGS, NEBRASKA

Tuesday, February 21, 2012

- 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.** Registration Coffee & Rolls
- 9:00 - 9:30 a.m.** **Class Survey & Overview of Course**
Brad Lang
Review of participants; and overview of course contents.
- 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.** **Professional Application**
Randy Brown
Mixing, wrong field application, applicator attitude, doing a professional job, customer relations. **Chemical trespassing, violations, penalties.**
- 10:15 - 10:30 a.m.** **Break**
- 10:30 - 12:15 p.m.** **Liquid Calibration & Calculations**
Bob Klein
Different nozzle types and uses, mixing & solutions, drift control, spacing, heights and problems to include math, nozzles, spray patterns and how to set up floaters and row crop applicators.
- 12:15 - 1:15 p.m.** **Lunch**
- 1:15 - 2:30 p.m.** **Liquid Calibrations & Calculations**
Classroom problems & program continued.
- 2:30 - 3:15 p.m.** **Markers, Computerized Monitors & New Developments**
Bob Klein
Breakdown marker system, treating spots in field, direct injection, specially variable applicators, technology & mapping. GPS & GIS Systems
- 3:15 - 5:00 p.m.** **Dry Applicators-Machine Set-Up**
Randy Brown
Dry fertilization application techniques.
- 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.** **Dinner on your own**
- 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.** **Work study (OPTIONAL)**
Bob Klein
Randy Brown
Practice of calibration & calculations and exam review. Held at the Holiday Inn Express.

Wednesday, February 22, 2012

- 7:30 - 8:00 a.m.** **Coffee & Rolls**
- 8:00 - 8:30 a.m.** **Compatibility, Adjutants & Mixing Order, Tank Cleaning**
Randy Brown & Brad Lang
Demonstration of mixing chemistry on compatibility and performance. Disposal of left-overs, cautions, cleaning & rinsing tanks, reducing left-overs, tank contamination, pressurized & triple rinsing, and AMS water conditioners. New practices & management decisions.
- 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.** **Group Sessions** Individuals will divide into four groups for group training sessions in the following areas:
Randy Brown
Brad Lang
Bob Klein
Steve Ring
 - **Group Problem solving** - Brad Lang
 - **Maintenance & Operations** - Steve Ring, Exam given at the end of this session
 - **Spray/Liquid** - Robert Klein, Exam

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- **Weed ID** - Randy Brown
- Session One:**
Group 1 - Maintenance & Operations
Group 2 - Spray/Liquid
Group 3 - Weed ID
Group 4 - Group Problem Solving
- Session Two:**
Group 1 - Group Problem Solving
Group 2 - Maintenance & Operations
Group 3 - Spray/Liquid
Group 4 - Weed ID
- Session Three**
Group 1 - Weed ID
Group 2 - Group Problem Solving
Group 3 - Maintenance & Operations
Group 4 - Spray/Liquid
- 12:15 - 1:15 p.m.** **Lunch**
- 1:15 - 2:30 p.m.** **Session Four**
Group 1 - Spray/Liquid
Group 2 - Weed ID
Group 3 - Group Problem Solving
Group 4 - Maintenance & Operations
- 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.** **Insurance-the Cost of Miss-Applications**
Bob Klein
- 3:30 - 4:00 p.m.** **Closing Comments & Certification**

COURSE INSTRUCTORS:

Randy Brown
Agronomist, Winfield Solutions, Kearney, NE;

Robert N. Klein
Western Nebraska Crops Specialist, University of Nebraska, West Central Research & Extension Center, North Platte, NE

Steve Ring,
Heartland Agri Supply, Inc., Grand Island, NE;

Brad Lang
Ag Instructor, Central Community College, Hastings, NE.

Commercial Pesticide Initial Testing, Re-Testing & Re-Certification Thursday, February 23, 2012

INSTRUCTOR: Bob Klein, WCREC, North Platte, NE.
EXAM PROCTOR: Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Lincoln, NE.

- 8:00 - 8:30 a.m.** **Registration** Coffee & Rolls
- 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.** **General Standards Review**
- 9:30 - 9:45 a.m.** **Break**
- 9:45 - 11:15 a.m.** **Continuation of Review**
- 11:15 - 1:00 p.m.** **General Standards Exam & Lunch** (As you finish your exam, proceed to lunch. Will resume at 12:30 p.m.)
- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.** **Ag Plant Review**
Re-Certification is Done at 2:00 p.m.
- 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.** **Ag Plant Exam**

Custom Applicator Two-day Driver Training General Information

Purpose:

This workshop has been especially designed to instruct custom applicators in the specifics needed in their field of technology. The custom applicator training will be intensive and detailed. It will take applicators through professional compliance, liquid calibration & calculations, dry fertilizer calibration, markers & computerized monitors, tank cleaning, compatibility & mixing order, and doing a professional job.

Who Should Attend:

Employees, especially newly hired, who will be doing your fertilizer and ag-chemical application whether with floaters, spray rigs or coups or pull-type applicators, both liquid and dry.

Registration Fees, Dates & Location:

The Custom Applicator Driver Course will be presented in the Cottonwood Room on the lower level of the Student Union Building, Central Community College, Hastings, Nebraska. Tuesday and Wednesday, February 21 & 22, 2012. The Custom Applicator Training course will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 21 and end at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 22. Fees to attend the "intensive" Custom Applicator School are \$230 for members and \$300 for non-members. **No refunds for cancellation will be given after February 10, 2012, except in the case of extreme emergencies.**

What You Get:

The two day Custom Applicator training includes course manual, coffee & rolls each morning, morning and afternoon refreshment breaks, lunch, pocket calculator for your employee to keep, certificate of course completion, and two decals for your employee to place in his/her vehicle as a Trained Custom Applicator. **The fee does not include motel lodging.**

Certification of Attendance:

Each attendee will be taking three exams as a review of course materials covered. Those who receive a passing score of 210 points out of a possible 330 points will receive a Certificate of Completion and Decal. **A special Work/Study Exam Review will be held on Wednesday evening at the Holiday Inn Express beginning at 6:30 p.m. Attendance at this review is optional.**

Lodging:

Hastings - A limited block of rooms have been reserved at the **Holiday Inn Express** in Hastings, NE. You may make reservations by calling the **hotel directly at 402/463-8858**, and indicate that you are with the Nebraska Agri-Business Association's Group block. Room rates at the Holiday Inn Express are \$89.95 (1-4 adults). **You must make your own lodging arrangements by February 3, 2012.**

Commercial Pesticide Applicator Initial Testing, Re-testing and Re-certification General Information

Purpose:

To review information necessary to successfully pass the State of Nebraska Commercial Pesticide Applicator License exams. Initial testing will be given on Thursday, February 23, 2012. **This day is optional and only for those who need to initial test, re-test, or need re-certification of their Commercial Pesticide Applicator license.** Two hours of review will be provided prior to the taking of each exam. The first exam will be the General Standards Exam and the second will be the Ag Plant Category Exam. All of the questions on the exams are based upon the information in the study packets.

Study Materials:

Study Materials for the Commercial Pesticide Applicator General Standards and Ag Plant exams are **optional, but highly recommended**, and are available from the University of Nebraska. Remember you need to order "General Standards" (Category Number 00) and "Agricultural Pest Control - Plant" (Category Number 01). **If you have any questions about study manuals, call 800/627-7216.**

Registration Fees, Dates & Location:

The cost for NDA Commercial Pesticide Applicator Initial Testing is \$70 for NeABA Members and \$100 for non-members. The cost of NDA Commercial Pesticide Applicator Re-Certification or Re-Test is \$50 for members and \$85 for non-members. This fee includes rolls & coffee, morning and afternoon refreshment breaks, lunch.

Please Note That Thursday, February 23, 2012 Is Optional and Is Being Offered Only for Those Who Need a Commercial Pesticide Applicator License.

Instruction and testing for the Commercial Pesticide Applicator Licensing will be held in the Cottonwood Room on the lower level of the Student Union Building, Central Community College, Hastings, Nebraska. The NDA initial testing review and re-certification will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 23, and will conclude at 4:00 p.m. that same day.

Pre-registration Is Highly Recommended for Both Workshops -

Fill out the enclosed registration form and return it to the Association Office with your check and complete the additional Community College Registration. If you need more information, please contact:

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