Pesticide Licensing Training

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Texas A&M AgriLife Extension
Service Mission:

Improving the lives of people, businesses, and communities across Texas and beyond through high-quality, relevant education.
Meet Our Trainers:

Dr. Don L. Renchie

A 5th generation native of Bryan, Texas, Dr. Don Renchie grew up in the Brazos County 4-H programs. He holds a BS in Animal Science from Prairie View A&M University and a MS and Ph.D. in Ag. Ed. from Texas A&M University. Don worked in the agricultural chemical supply industry and for the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Since 1993, Don has been a member of the Texas Agricultural and Environmental Safety Unit. He is the Program Leader of the Agricultural and Environmental Safety Unit, an Extension Specialist and Coordinator for the Pesticide Safety Education Training.

Dr. Mark Matocha

Dr. Mark Matocha has been with the Agricultural and Environmental Safety Unit since 2001. He holds a Ph.D. from Texas A&M in Agronomy, specializing in weed science. He has more than 10 years experience in the pest management field specializing in herbicides and weed control. He has conducted weed control research in turfgrass, pasture, peanut, corn, sorghum, cotton, vegetables, citrus, and sugarcane. He has authored several Extension publications and conducts educational meetings dealing with pesticide safety and education, agronomy, and weed control.

Mark also serves as the IR-4 Liaison for Texas - coordinating a multi-state minor use pesticide advisory committee which is responsible for identifying and prioritizing minor use pesticide needs for Texas and surrounding states. Mark has been a licensed Texas Department of Agriculture Non-Commercial Pesticide Applicator since 1997.
General Standards Training

This training will satisfy the Structural Pest Control Service’s requirements for certification of Commercial/Non-commercial and Technician licensing of pesticide applicators (8 hours of training). This is the general training, and not a category training. In addition, while the Texas Department of Agriculture does not require training as a condition of licensure, this class will prepare license applicants for the TDA General examination. Please notify the affected employees within your organization.

Please note: This training can be used to satisfy the 8 hour recertification training requirement for Technicians.

Check our website for maps to the locations
http://agrilife.org/aes/maps-to-training-locations/

Training classes with less than 10 attendees may be canceled.

Listed to the right are the locations and dates for the Structural Pest Applicator Training (commercial, non-commercial and technician). The class is 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with an hour lunch (lunch is not provided). Deadline for registration is one week prior to training date. Registration is $150.00 per person (Fee includes study manual General Standards - AES-5073, and Structural Laws & Regs - AES-6135). Register online at https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu, or call (979) 845-2604.

Please contact the Structural Pest Control Service at (512) 305-8250 or (866) 918-4481 to register for the computer-based testing program for structural pesticide applicators. Applicants must be pre-qualified by TDA prior to registering to take examinations with PSI Services.

For best test results, order your additional category manuals in advance. Please make separate payment if ordering additional manuals. To order manuals over the phone, call (979) 845-1099 or (979) 845-3849.

The Available Dates for 2019 are:

Cypress - 8440 Greenhouse
- February 12, 2019
- May 22, 2019
- August 21, 2019
- November 13, 2019

Austin - 2210 South FM 973
- January 30, 2019
- March 27, 2019
- July 10, 2019
- September 18, 2019

Fort Worth - 1100 Circle Drive
- March 6, 2019
- April 10, 2019
- July 24, 2019
- October 9, 2019

Corpus Christi - State Hwy 44, West
- June 19, 2019
- Overton - 1710 FM 3053 North
- June 12, 2019
3 Day Apprentice Training

You can now provide your technician apprentices and other employees with an opportunity to receive 20 hours of in-depth, hands-on training relating to the 20 hours of “Classroom” training required by the Texas Structural Pest Control Service, effective September 1, 2000.

This program will exceed the minimum 20 hours required to satisfy the apprenticeship classroom training as established by Section 7.133 (h) (1) of the Texas Structural Pest Control Act.

In addition, untrained personnel from local and state governments, industry, and institutions (such as school districts) will benefit greatly from participation in this training program.

Prepare your pest management personnel to be successful professionals, register today! Register online at https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/pesticide, or call (979)845-2604. If you have additional questions, please call (979)845-3849 or (979)845-1099.

Location: The Training will be conducted at Texas A&M University’s Rellis Campus in Bryan, Texas. A map to the location will be provided upon registration.

Cost per participant: ($350.00 including study materials, AES-6135 Laws and Regulations, and Apprentice manual). Lunch will be served each day. Participants can leave the site and get lunch on their own but there will not be a price reduction for this.

The Available Dates for 2019 are:

April 16-18, 2019
June 4-6, 2019
August 13-15, 2019
October 22-24, 2019

Bryan/College Station location only

Larger scale map can be found on our website
WWW.AES.TAMU.EDU
Online Training Only

To register for these courses, go to https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/pesticide. Once you have registered for the course, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Conference Services will email you a confirmation of your registration, a receipt and the course enrollment key. For questions regarding the course Lawn & Ornamental training, please contact Dr. Mark A. Matocha at 979-845-1099 or by email at mmatocha@ag.tamu.edu, for Pest Category or Termite Category, please call 979-845-1099. The course(s) will be delivered through The Extension Online Campus located at http://campus.extension.org. Students will need to create an account at http://campus.extension.org/login/signup.php before class begins.

Please contact the Texas Department of Agriculture Structural Pest Control Service at (866) 918-4481 to begin your exam registration. Applicants must be pre-qualified by TDA prior to registering to take examinations with PSI Services.

Pesticide Online CEU Drift Minimization

The Texas Pesticide Agricultural CEU Online course is a web-based course for Texas Department of Agriculture Pesticide Applicators seeking TDA continuing education units (CEUs). This course provides 1- Drift Minimization CEU. Students who complete the course will gain knowledge of the factors affecting pesticide drift.

The $15 fee includes 1 Drift Minimization CEU.

Lawn & Ornamental Structural Category Training

Lawn and ornamental pest control represents a very large portion of urban pesticide use. As urban areas continue to expand and homeowners continue to desire attractive lawns and landscapes, the use of pesticides to control plant pests has continued to grow. The use of pesticides to control insects and diseases in home and other landscapes is a serious business, one that requires a wide knowledge of the pests as well as some understanding of pesticides and their proper use. This 8 hour course is designed to satisfy the SPCS Apprentice Training Requirements as specified in Section 7.133 (h) (2) “8 hours of classroom training in each category in which the apprentice is to provide pest control services”.

The $130.00 course includes the required category training manual (AES-5066), a $35 value, and online instruction. This course can also be taken by other SPCS applicators to increase their knowledge in the subject area.
Pest Category Training

This 8 hour course is designed to satisfy the Apprentice Training Requirements as specified in Section 7.133 (h) (2) “8 hours of classroom training in each category in which the Apprentice is to provide pest control services”. In addition, the course can be used to prepare for the Structural Pest Control Pest category examination.

The $130 course includes the required category training manual (AES-5074), a $35 value, and online instruction. The manual will be mailed separately.

Termite Category Training

This newly updated 8 hour course is designed to satisfy the Apprentice Training Requirements as specified in Section 7.133 (h) (2) “8 hours of classroom training in each category in which the Apprentice is to provide pest control services”. In addition, the course can be used to prepare for the Structural Pest Control Termite category examination.

The $150 course includes the required category training manual (AES-5075), a $25 value, and online instruction. The manual will be mailed separately.

Public Health Pest Control (Vector Control) Training

This newly updated 8 hour course is designed for a Non-Commercial License.

The $160 course includes the required category training manual (AES-5071), a $45 value, and online instruction. The manual will be mailed separately.
Online Apprentice Training

You can now provide your technician apprentices and other employees with an opportunity to receive 20 hours of in-depth, online training to fulfill the 20 hours of “classroom” training required by the Texas Structural Pest Control Service, effective September 1, 2000, as established by Section 7.133 (h) (1) of the Texas Structural Pest Control Act. In addition, untrained personnel from local and state governments, industry, and institutions (such as school districts) will benefit greatly from participation in this training program.

**Apprentice**—According to Structural Pest Control Laws and Regulations, an apprentice is a person, who is registered by a business or noncommercial entity to train for a technician license, has not passed the technician examination, and who performs pest control services under the direct supervision of a licensed technician or a certified applicator. An apprentice may work only for the business or noncommercial entity for which they are registered.

**TDA RULE §7.133 Technician License Requirements (abridged)**

(a) An apprentice is a beginning employee, whose training program is the responsibility of the responsible certified applicator and who may be trained by and work under the direct supervision of licensed applicators and technicians.

(b) An apprentice must be at least 16 years of age.

(c) An apprentice must be able to demonstrate proficiency in reading U.S. Environmental Protection Agency approved pesticide labels and warnings.

(d) An apprentice must submit an application for technician license within ten (10) days of beginning employment.

(g) An apprentice card will be issued by the department for one (1) year from the date employment began when all of the above requirements are met and processed.

(h) Apprentices must not perform any pest control work without the physical presence of a licensed technician or a certified applicator....

(4) an apprentice may maintain an apprentice card for a maximum of twelve (12) months. If an apprentice has not passed the requirements to become a licensed technician in the twelve (12) month period, the individual may be re-registered as an apprentice and complete all training requirements for an apprentice. Previous training credit may not be applied to this requirement.

Prepare your pest management personnel to be successful professionals, register today! **To register for this NEW course, go to [https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/pesticide](https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/pesticide).** The course is $395 per participant and includes manual AES-5073 General Standards (free shipping). Once you have registered for the course, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Conference Services will email you a confirmation of your registration, a receipt and the course enrollment key. The course(s) will be delivered through The Extension Online Campus located at [http://campus.extension.org](http://campus.extension.org). Students will need to create an account at [http://campus.extension.org/login/signup.php](http://campus.extension.org/login/signup.php) before class begins.

*For questions regarding the course please call 979-845-1099.*
Lawn & Ornamental (Landscape Maintenance) Category Training

This 8 hour course can be used to prepare individuals licensing with the Texas Department of Agriculture in the Lawn & Ornamental (Landscape Maintenance) category.

Registration is $170.00 per person (Fee includes the required category training manual (AES-5066) the general manual (AES-5073), and the Laws and Regulations manual (AES-5056), an $80 value, and instruction from experienced Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service trainer, Dr. Mark A. Matocha.

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The Available Dates for 2019 are:

Austin - 2210 South FM 973
- February 26, 2019
- May 8, 2019
- August 28, 2019
- November 13, 2019

Cypress - 8440 Greenhouse Rd.
- February 13, 2019
- April 24, 2019
- October 16, 2019

College Station (5+ people)
Upon Request, Call Karen at 979-845-1099

Fort Worth - 1100 Circle Drive
- January 30, 2019
- April 3, 2019
- July 10, 2019
- September 25, 2019
- November 20, 2019

Training classes with less than 5 attendees may be canceled.
Vegetation Management Category Training

This 8 hour course is designed for vegetation managers, road and bridge maintenance personnel, and others involved in Right of Way vegetation management and will prepare individuals for the Texas Department of Agriculture Vegetation Management, General, and Laws and Regulations examinations.

Registration is $170.00 per person (Fee includes the required category training manual (AES-5068) the general manual (AES-5073) and the Laws and Regulations manual (AES-5056), an $80 value, and instruction from experienced Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service trainer, Dr. Mark A. Matocha.

Register online at https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/pesticide or call (979) 845-2604.

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The Available Dates for 2019 are:

Austin -2210 South FM 973
October 9, 2019
Cypress - 8440 Greenhouse Rd.
March 27, 2019
## Quick Guide of Trainings

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### Structural Pesticide Apprentice Training

$350.00 fee - includes 3 Days of training, catering, AES-6135 Laws and Regulations manual, and an Apprentice manual exclusive to the training.

Bryan/College Station location only

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### Vegetation Management Category Training

$170.00 fee - includes AES-5068 ROW manual, AES-5073 General manual and AES-5056 Laws & Regs manual

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Register online at: https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/pesticide

For more information, call: Karen (979-845-1099) or Rachel (979-845-3849)
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To inquire about license requirements and exams, contact the Texas Structural Pest Control Service (SPCS) at (866) 918-4481. For new order forms, or information about upcoming classes, check out our website at: <www.aes.tamu.edu>. For more information about the SPCS, try their website at: <http://www.texasagriculture.gov/RegulatoryPrograms/Pesticides/StructuralPestControlService.aspx>.

As an education agency, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service may have programs that meet your certification training and continuing education needs, particularly for agricultural applicators. The telephone listings to the local Extension county offices at https://agrilifepeople.tamu.edu/extensionLists/counties. To learn of other approved training organizations, contact the agency through which you are licensed.

**Order Form: Structural Pest Control Service Study Materials for Pesticide Applicator License Exams**

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**Categories:**

- General: commercial / noncommercial / technician
- Laws and regulations
- Termite control
- Pest control
- Lawn and ornamental / Weed control
- Fumigation (structural and commodity)
- Wood preservation

**Shipping & Handling:**

- Standard 3-5 day delivery - $10
- 2nd day - $15
- Next day - $25
- Saturday Delivery $15 (in addition to S&H charges)

Large orders subject to additional S&H

Add S&H $ __________

Subtotal $ __________

TX Residents Add 8.25% tax $ __________

GRAND TOTAL: $ __________

Mail this order form and your check or money order, payable to the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, to: Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, P.O. Drawer FS, College Station, TX 77841

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Name of person placing order: _______________ Send Attention To: _______________

Company name: _______________ Email Address: _______________

**Physical DELIVERY address** (no P O Boxes please):

City: _______________ State: _____ Zip: _______________ Daytime Phone: _______________

Billing address for invoicing:

City: _______________ State: _____ Zip: _______________ Purchase Order No: _______________

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Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

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How Do I Get CEUs?

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You can find the CEU search at: http://ceusearch.texasagriculture.gov/