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*Pesticide Safety Education Program*

December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Dear Certified Applicator,

This letter is being sent out by Bruno Lena (Extension Educator for Platte/Boone/Nance Co.) and Travis Prochaska (Extension Educator for Colfax/Bulter/Polk Co.) regarding the **2024 Private Pesticide Applicator Recertification Trainings**. You are receiving this letter because:

- 1- the Nebraska Department of Agriculture has indicated that your **Private Pesticide Applicator License** will be expiring on **April, 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**. Therefore, you will need to get your **license recertified** if you are continuing to apply and/or purchase **Restricted Use Pesticides**.
- 2- we are the Extension Educators in charge of providing the **In-Person Training** at your county in 2024 . We are covering Platte, Boone, Nance, Colfax, Butler, Polk, Burt, Dakota, and Thurston counties.

To facilitate room set up, we are suggesting attendees to register for the training location/date at <https://go.unl.edu/fguh> or use the QR code in this letter. **There is a \$60 fee**. Please, call your local Extension Office for assistance if needed. A list of phone numbers per County Office is provided on the back of this letter.

Training locations, dates, and time within these counties are listed below:

- January 22<sup>nd</sup> (Monday) – Boone/Nance – Fairgrounds in Fullerton – 1:30pm
- January 23<sup>rd</sup> (Tuesday) – Polk – Fairgrounds in Osceola – 9:00am
- January 25<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) – Thurston/Burt/Dakota – Pender Fire Hall – 1:30pm
- January 26<sup>th</sup> (Friday) – Colfax – Fairgrounds in Leigh – 1:30pm
- February 6<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) – Platte – Ag Park in Columbus – 9:30am
- February 14<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) – Butler – Fairgrounds in David City – 1:00pm
- February 16<sup>th</sup> (Friday) – Platte – Ag Park in Columbus – 1:30pm



**Bring your Nebraska Department of Agriculture Letter with you to the training. This letter will have a barcode that is needed for recertification. If you don't have your barcode, please bring your License Number.**

In case that you cannot attend the available dates listed above, you also have other option to get your license recertified. Options are listed below:

- ✓ **Option 1 (\$60 fee):** In-Person Training hosted by Nebraska Extension – all 2024 locations available at <https://edmedia.wufoo.com/reports/2024-psep-private-training-dates-copy/>
- ✓ **Option 2 (\$60 fee):** Online training – Visit <https://pested.unl.edu/> or call the Pesticide Safety Education Program at 402-472-1632 for more details on how to sign-up/pay/navigate in the training website.
- ✓ **Option 3 (\$95 fee):** Attending one of the 2024 Crop Production Clinics – this is a full day training that covers a visit <https://agronomy.unl.edu/cpc> for more registration/information.



I wanted to let you know that there are updates to the private pesticide safety training that may impact your operation. These changes are in accordance with changes to the Nebraska Pesticide Act. For questions regarding your license please contact the Nebraska Department of Agriculture at 402-471-2351.

- Your new license will indicate that you received private pesticide safety training with the words “General Agriculture” and/or a code (00) printed on it. If you choose to get certified in either Soil or Non-Soil/Structural Fumigation (see below), your license will show these as 01a and 11, respectively. Your new license will be a tan color.
- If you wish to use soil fumigants, you will be required to pass the commercial/noncommercial Soil Fumigation (category 01a) exam to receive this certification. Training manuals available for purchase on the [pested.unl.edu](http://pested.unl.edu) website or call 402-472-1632 for more information
- If you wish to use non-soil, structural, or rodent burrow fumigants, you will be required to pass the commercial/noncommercial Non-Soil/Structural Fumigation (category 11) exam to receive this certification. Training manuals are available for purchase on the [pested.unl.edu](http://pested.unl.edu) website or call 402-472-1632 for more information

#### **Phone number from your local Extension Offices**

Platte County Extension Office – (402) 563-4901  
Boone County Extension Office – (402) 395-2158  
Nance County Extension Office – (308) 536-2691  
Colfax County Extension Office – (402) 352-3821  
Butler Extension Office – (402) 367-7410  
Polk County Extension Office – (402) 747-2321  
Dakota County Extension Office – (402) 987-2140  
Burt County Extension Office – (402) 374-2929  
Thurston County Extension Office – (402) 385-6041