Online Private Applicator Training

The Texas Department of Agriculture lists step one to obtaining a Private Applicator License as "Attend a Private Pesticide Applicator training session FIRST". You can attend a Private Applicator training in person through your local County Extension Office, or you can attend the training in the privacy of your own home online with this new \$100.00 course.

Texas Department of Agriculture defines a private pesticide applicator as "someone who uses or supervises the use of restricted-use or state-limited-use pesticides or regulated herbicides to produce an agricultural commodity on:

Personally owned property;

Rented property;

Property owned by his or her employer;

Property under his or her general control; or

The property of another person if applied without compensation, other than the trading of personal services between producers of agricultural commodities."

An agricultural commodity is a plant or animal grown for sale, lease, barter, feed, or human consumption and animals raised for farm or ranch work. No license is required to apply general-use pesticides to produce agricultural commodities.

Please Note: AES-1648 – Using Pesticides Private Applicator Manual and AES-5056 Texas Department of Agriculture Pesticide Laws and Regulations will be shipped via Fed Ex (3-5 day ground) with-in 2-3 business days of registration as part of the price of the training after you register for this course. There will not be a discount on the course if you already have the books.

To register for this course, go to https://agrilifelearn.tamu.edu/s/. For questions regarding the course, please contact Dr. Mark Matocha at 979-845-3849 or by email at mmatocha@ag.tamu.edu.

Please contact the Texas Department of Agriculture at (512) 305-8250 or (866) 918-4481 to begin your exam registration. Applicants must be pre-qualified by TDA prior to registering to take examinations with PSI Services.