



Professional Applicator Study Material Guide

CATEGORY NAME	DESCRIPTION	STUDY MATERIALS	AVAILABLE AS A FREE PDF	AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
Applicator Core Competency (CO)	General knowledge of pesticides including proper use, disposal, product characteristics, first aid, labeling and laws.	Idaho Pesticide Applicator Training Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		WPS Quick Reference Guide	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Included with Training Manual Purchase
*Both are available in Spanish in physical copies and PDF versions				
Agricultural Crop Pest Control (AC)	Certification in this category allows for all applications in production of agricultural commodities including grasslands and non-crop agricultural lands.	Agricultural Herbicide Study Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Agricultural Insect & Disease Manual	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Agricultural Weed Management Principles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Animal Damage Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		General Vertebrate Study Packet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Introduction to Insect & Disease Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		PNW Voles & Gopher Management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Study Manual for Pest Management Professionals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Aerial Pest Control (AA)	For applying pesticides to ALL sites by operating a manned fixed-wing or rotary aircraft.	Aerial Applicators Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aerial UAS Pest Control (AU)	For applying pesticides by operating an unmanned aircraft system (typically a drone) - will also need a site specific category in addition to AU.	The Evolution Of Spray Drones	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Anti-Fouling Coatings (FC)	For persons who use or supervise the use of anti-fouling coatings to control fouling organisms on aquatic vessels, underwater structures and similar structures.	Alaska Anti-Fouling Paint Applicator Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural Livestock Pest Control (LP)	For treating cattle, sheep or other livestock or treating places in which animals are confined.	Agricultural Insect & Disease Manual	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Livestock Pests Study Guide	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Aquatic Weed and Pest Control (AP)	For persons who apply any pesticide to standing or running water EXCLUDING applicators whose applications qualify for the Public Health category.	Aquatic Pest Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Sewer Line Root Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Consultant and Research (CR)	For persons who consult or recommend to supply technical advice concerning the use of agricultural pesticides. This also includes the application or supervision of Restricted Use Pesticides (RUP's) for no compensation to demonstrate the action of or to research the use of pesticides. (For demonstration, additional relevant categories will be required).	Agricultural Herbicide Study Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Agricultural Insect & Plant Disease Manual	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Agricultural Weed Management Principles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Animal Damage Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		General Vertebrate Pesticide Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Introduction to Insect & Disease Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Livestock Pests Study Guide	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Soil Fumigation Manual, NASDARF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Stored Grain Pest Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Thirty Common Agricultural Weeds in Idaho	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Forest Pest Control (FP)	For controlling pests in forests, forest nurseries and forest seed production.	Forest Environment Pesticide Study Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
General Vertebrate Control (GV)	For US Wildlife Services (WS) and personnel of the United States Department of Agriculture-Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) controlling vertebrates, such as rodents, predators, and birds. This category applies to Professional Applicators who use or supervise the use of Sodium Cyanide & Sodium Fluoroacetate to control regulated predators.	Animal Damage Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		General Vertebrate Study Packet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Industrial, Institutional, and Structural Pest Control – Commodity (CP)	For controlling pests in manufactured products or stored commodities including but not limited to grain, seeds or wood.	Stored Grain Pest Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Study Manual for Postharvest Treatment of Potatoes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Wood Preservation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial, Institutional, and Structural Pest Control – Non Commodity (IP)	For controlling pests in residential, commercial, institutional, industrial and other related areas.	Microbial Pest Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Study Manual for Pest Management Professionals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Wood Preservation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-Soil Fumigation (NS)	For applying chemicals to fumigate anything other than soil.	PNW Voles & Gophers Management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Stored Grain Pest Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Ornamental Pest (OP)	For controlling pests in the maintenance and production of ornamental plants, lawns and turf.	Introduction to Insect & Disease Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Turf & Ornamental Weed Management Principles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
*Turf & Ornamental Weed Management Principles is available in Spanish in both physical copies and PDF versions				
Potato Cellar (PC)	For the use of storage-enhancing pesticides in potato cellars, onion cellars or other like areas.	Study Manual for Postharvest Treatment of Potatoes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public Health Pest (PH)	For State, Tribal, Federal or governmental employees and contractors who use or supervise the use of pesticides in government-sponsored programs for the management and control of pests having medical and public health importance.	Public Health Pest Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Regulatory Pest Control (RP)	For State, Tribal, Federal or governmental employees and contractors who use or supervise the use of pesticides in government-sponsored programs for the management and control of regulated pests.	Idaho Pesticide Applicator Training Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Right-of-Way Pest Control (RW)	For controlling pests on or around roadsides, powerlines, pipelines, railway rights-of-way and similar areas.	Agricultural Herbicide Study Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Agricultural Weed Management Principles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Thirty Common Right-of-Way Weeds in Idaho	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Seed Treatment (ST)	For persons treating seeds in seed treatment facilities.	Seed Treatment Manual	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Soil Fumigation (SF)	Certification in this category allows for applying fumigation to soil in agricultural fields, plant nurseries and other similar growing media for the growing of agricultural commodities EXCLUDING rodent control.	Soil Fumigation Manual, NASDARF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Wood Preservative (WP)	For applicators who use wood preservative pesticides in wood commodities or structures.	Wood Preservation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Note: This document serves as a general guide to aid in the licensing process. It should NOT be used as a replacement for the Rules Governing Pesticide and Chemigation Use and Application IDAPA 02.03.03 And Law.

Please refer to the ISDA website, join our newsletter or contact the licensing department for the most up-to-date licensing information.

Helpful Links & Contact

Questions regarding the study materials or examinations can be emailed to ApplicatorCertification@ISDA.Idaho.Gov

Questions regarding pesticide licensing can be emailed to PesticideLicensing@ISDA.Idaho.Gov

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