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Arizona Pesticide Safety Train-the-Trainer Workshop

March 24, 2017 Yavapai College, Verde Valley Campus 601 W. Black Hills Dr. Clarkdale, AZ 86324

Pre-registration is required. Registration info is located here.

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Worker Protection

With the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) revisions now effective, agricultural employers and commercial pesticide handler employers must familiarize themselves with the new requirements.

Most of the revised WPS requirements became effective on January 2, 2017. A few requirements to note are:

- annual WPS training for workers and handlers;
- Safety Data Sheets (SDS) made available to employees for pesticides applied;
- medical evaluation, fit testing, and training for handlers wearing respirators.

Three additional requirements go into effect on January 2, 2018:

- pesticide safety training must cover the expanded content;
- pesticide safety information (posters) must meet the revised standards;
- handlers must suspend applications if workers or other people are in the application exclusion zone.

For information on all of the WPS requirements, please visit the PCO's WPS webpage here for more information. The PCO is available to offer compliance assistance at the request of anyone who is required to comply with the WPS.





If you as a pesticide applicator utilize a vehicle from which you conduct pest control services, remember that the Pesticide Ordinance contains specific requirements for service vehicles.

A couple of the major requirements are: all pesticides stored on service vehicles must be in their original container, in portable application equipment, or in a service container; and pesticides must be secured when

located on an unattended service vehicle. A service container is one used to hold, store, or transport a pesticide either as a concentrate or as a ready to use mixture.

For a complete list of service vehicle requirements, click <u>here</u>.

Useful Web-based Pesticide Apps

There are many web-based applications to assist pesticide applicators with pesticide related activities such as equipment calibration, mixing calculations, herbicide selection, and label searches.

Click on the following links to explore a few of the web-based applications that may benefit you:

Clemson Cooperative Extension

- Sprayer Calibration
- Mix My Sprayer

National Pesticide Information Center

- Herbicide Properties Tool
- Mobile Access to Pesticide Labels
- Pesticide Education and Search Tool

