

# Pesticide Certification and Licensing Program



## Businesses & Individuals

### Licensing Timeline

#### October

- DATCP mails renewal packet.



#### December 31

- License expires.
- Applications received after Dec. 31 must pay a 20% late fee.  
*\*Account for delivery time by post office.*



#### January 1

- New license year begins.
- You need your license to operate.

### Commercial Pesticide Application Business License - \$70

- Businesses must employ certified **AND** licensed applicators.
- You may apply for your business and applicator licenses at the same time.
- Paper application and fee must be mailed.
- No online option or credit card payments at this time.
- Required for each business location.

### Dealer/Distributor of Restricted Use Pesticide (RUP) License - \$60

- Only required of businesses that distribute RUPs.
- RUP Reporting must be submitted prior to issuing a license. (Renewals only)
- Paper application and fee must be mailed.
- No online option or credit card payments.

### Individual Commercial Applicator License - \$40

- Commercial pesticide applicator certification is required.
- For-hire applicators must be employed at a licensed business.
- Apply online at <https://mydatcp.wi.gov> or by [paper](#) application.
- Six-digit license number.

### Reciprocal Individual Commercial Applicator Certification & License - \$115

- Must be certified in an equivalent category by your home state's pesticide lead agency. Check out our website for further guidance. [https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Licenses\\_Permits/Reciprocal.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Licenses_Permits/Reciprocal.aspx)
- Allow extra time to obtain paperwork from your state pesticide lead agency.
- Apply online at <https://mydatcp.wi.gov> or mail a [paper](#) application.
- **Alternative:** Certify in Wisconsin and obtain a Wisconsin commercial applicator license.

## Pesticide Applicator Certification

- Purchase training material from the UW PAT Program
- Once you have the training material, you can sign up for an exam.

### DATCP Testing Options

- Schedule an exam at no charge at one of our six proctored locations.
- Computer-based testing with Pearson Vue. Exams can be taken at one of their 54 locations or from anywhere online via a web camera-enabled computer.\*

*\* Must meet Pearson Vue's internet and computer system requirements.*

- Certification is good for five years. Adding additional categories during that period does **NOT** extend the expiration date.
- You **MUST** have your six-digit PAT number prior to taking the exam.

## Address or Name Change?

- Use current addresses and names on license application forms.
- Notify the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) if an applicator address or name changes during the license year.

*\* Renewal notices are sent to the address DATCP has on file.*

## Reminders

- To apply pesticides commercially in Wisconsin, you need three things:
  1. Certified in a specific category.
  2. Individual Commercial Applicators License (ICAL).
  3. Work for OR own a licensed Pesticide Business (PBL).

## Additional Resources

**Commercial applicators webpage:** [https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Licenses\\_Permits/CommercialApplicator.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Licenses_Permits/CommercialApplicator.aspx)

**Pesticide Business Webpage:** [https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Licenses\\_Permits/Business.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Licenses_Permits/Business.aspx)

**Reciprocal applicators webpage:** [https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Licenses\\_Permits/Reciprocal.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Licenses_Permits/Reciprocal.aspx)

**WI DATCP Pesticide FAQ webpage:** <https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/ApplicatorFrequentlyAskedQuestions.aspx>

**UW PAT Homepage:** <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/pat/commercial-pesticide-applicators>

## Have questions?



- **Visit:** [datcp.wi.gov/Pages/ProgramsServices/PesticidesFertilizersCertificationLicensing.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/ProgramsServices/PesticidesFertilizersCertificationLicensing.aspx)
- **Call:** (608) 224-4548
- **Email:** [datcppesticideinfo@wi.gov](mailto:datcppesticideinfo@wi.gov)



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