

Do I Need to be a Certified Applicator?

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State regulation (18 AAC 90.300) requires that anyone who “engages in the custom, commercial, or contract use of a pesticide” or “acts as a pesticide consultant” must be a certified pesticide applicator.

Any product with an EPA registration number on it is a pesticide.

If you apply pesticides on someone else’s property, this is considered a ‘custom, commercial, or contract’ application. This is true even if you are not paid for the work.

You probably need to be certified and licensed if you;

- Apply pesticides to someone else’s property
- Provide information and consultation about commercial pesticide use
- Apply, purchase, or distribute Restricted Use Pesticides
- Apply pesticides in schools or public places

Examples include:

- **Pest control companies**
- **Lawn care** services that apply a weed-and-feed product to a client’s lawn or spray for insects.
- **Tree care** companies that apply insect or disease control products.
- **Carpet cleaning** companies that sanitize or disinfect carpets.
- **Restoration or mold remediation companies** that treat mold and mildew.

To become certified, applicators must successfully pass professional level examinations, submit proof of liability insurance, and pay a \$25 fee.

**For more information
or to find out if YOU need to be certified,
contact the Pesticide Control Program
907-376-1870.**

