# Pesticide Certification and Licensing Program

## Businesses & Individuals

### Licensing Timeline

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| - DATCP mails renewal packet. | - License expires.  
- Applications received after Dec. 31 must pay a 20% late fee.  
*Account for delivery time by post office.* | - 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.  
- 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](https://mydatcp.wi.gov) or by paper form.  
- 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.  
- Allow extra time to obtain paperwork from your state pesticide lead agency.  
- Apply online at [https://mydatcp.wi.gov](https://mydatcp.wi.gov) or mail a paper application.  
- **Alternative:** Certify in Wisconsin and obtain a Wisconsin commercial applicator license.
Pesticide Applicator Certification

- Demonstrate competency to use pesticide by passing an exam.
- Certification is valid for five years, can expire at the end of any month.
- Purchase University of Wisconsin Pesticide Applicator Training (UW PAT) materials and schedule an exam to renew your certification.
- Six-digit number different than individual license number.

**DATCP Testing Options**

- Schedule an exam at no charge at one of our six proctored locations.
- **New in 2021**: 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.

Address or Name Change?

- Use current addresses and names on license application forms.
- You must apply for a new license when a business changes its location or legal name.
- 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.

Additional Information

- Temporary certifications (e.g., 1234-T) and certifications that were extended due to COVID-19 are expired as of December 31, 2021.
- To be licensed for 2022, you must recertify if your certification expired on December 31, 2021.

Have questions?

- Visit: [datcp.wi.gov/Pages/ProgramsServices/PesticidesFertilizersCertificationLicensing.aspx](datcp.wi.gov/Pages/ProgramsServices/PesticidesFertilizersCertificationLicensing.aspx)
- Call: (608) 224-4548
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