

COMMERCIAL USE OF PESTICIDES

State of Georgia Licensing Requirements

GENERAL

Who needs a pesticide applicator license?

An individual must obtain the appropriate type of pesticide applicator license in order to purchase, use, or supervise the use of a restricted use pesticide, or any general use or restricted use pesticide when providing pesticide applications for a fee.

What type of pesticide applicator license do I need?

In order to provide pesticide applications of any type of pesticide, whether general use or restricted use, to the property of another person and collect a fee for these services both a **Commercial Applicator License** and a **Pesticide Contractor License** are required. These Licenses are issued by the Georgia Department of Agriculture.- Pesticide Section.

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Commercial Applicators License

In order to obtain a Commercial applicator license, you must pass the commercial applicator examination provided by the Georgia Technical Colleges. This computerized exam is administered at several locations around the state numerous times during the course of a given year. Please visit www.gapestexam.com to learn more about, Study material, commercial examinations, locations, dates and times convenient for you. Simply follow the instructions at the site to register for the exam. **Study material** is obtained from the University of Georgia (material pricing varies). A \$45 exam fee will be charged by the Technical Colleges. Most colleges accept checks, credit cards or money orders. Once you pass the exam, you will need to mail in a check or money order in the amount of **\$90** made payable to the Georgia Department of Agriculture along with your passed test scores. Commercial Applicators Licenses are good for 5 years.

Pesticide Contractors License

A Pesticide Contractor's license is required for any individual or company to engage in the business of contracting for the application of any type of general use or restricted use pesticide to the lands of another within this state. This license is required for each business (company branch office) location, and each business (company branch office) must maintain in full time employment during all periods of operation at least one certified commercial pesticide applicator. The fee for the Contractor's license is \$55 per year, and this license must be renewed each year. The forms to obtain the Pesticide Contractor's license must be completed and sent to the Georgia Department of Agriculture Pesticide Division for review, or can be applied for online at: KellySolutions.com scroll down to apply. Applications may be mailed to the office along with a check or money order (no cash please) made payable to the Georgia Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$55.00 dollars. Your Pesticide Contractor's license will be sent to you in the mail, and must be displayed in a prominent place in each business (company branch office) location. Contractor's License renew at the end of each year.

Additional Information and Requirements:

For more information on these license requirements contact the GA Department of Agriculture-Ag-Inputs Section, Pesticide Program at: www.agr.georgia.gov or you may call (404)656-4958 Please review the [Pesticides](#) page for more information.

You may also contact the GA Department of Agriculture by mail at: 19 MLK Jr. Dr. Room 410, Atlanta GA. 30334 or email: Martha.loggins@agr.georgia.gov, eric.olsen@agr.georgia.gov

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR BUSINESS LICENSING APPLICANTS WHO MAY USE PESTICIDES.

As a part of your business activities, will you be using any chemicals to control weeds, insects (including ants and mosquitoes) or plant diseases away from the structure the property of another individual or company for a fee?

- Yes No

If you answered yes to the statement above, a list of the following categories will be the area of licensing in which you will be required to have an active GA Commercial Applicators License and Contractors License.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

FIRST NAME	MI	LAST NAME	
CITY	STATE	COUNTY	ZIP CODE

(_____-_____-_____-)
Area Code Phone Number

GA Commercial Applicator’s License#: _____ **: Expiration Date:** _____

GA Contractor’s License#: _____ **: Expiration Date:** _____

Applicants Signature _____
Date of Application

Select category of certification

General Standards Study Guide Applying Pesticides Correctly		(32) Regulatory (for government employees only)
(21) Plant Agriculture		(33) Demonstration & Research
(22) Animal Agriculture		(34) Aerial
(23) Forest		(35) Ind. Inst., & Health Related
(24) Ornamental & Turf (O&T)		(36) Wood Treatment
(25) Seed Treatment		(37) Antimicrobial
(26) Aquatic		(38) Agricultural Commodity Fumigation
(27) Right-of-Way		(41) Commercial Mosquito Control
(31) Public Health (for government employees only)		Private applicator’s license are for producing commodity only