Approved Initial Certification Courses

Each of the following courses has been approved as meeting six months of the experience requirement. *In order for an individual to be eligible for initial certification they must complete one of the courses titled "Pesticide Use and Safety."* This course will count towards certification in any category. The course selection for satisfying the other six months of required experience will be dependent upon the individuals needs.

If a person wishes to become certified in only one category of pest control, they will have to take "Pesticide Use and Safety" and one other course approved for the category in which they want to become certified. However, if they wish to become certified in more than one category of pest control, they must take "Pesticide Use and Safety" and one course approved for **each** of the categories in which they want to become certified.

If an applicator is already certified and wishes to add another category(ies) but has no experience, a course approved for the additional category(ies) will suffice for the experience requirement. In this circumstance, the applicator will **not** need to take "Pesticide Use and Safety" as they have already passed the Core exam.

The following listing provides the institutions offering courses that have been reviewed and approved by MDA, and the contact person at each institution. The approved courses have been listed along with the categories in which they have been approved. If you have any further questions concerning the use of these courses for use towards Maryland's pesticide applicator certification please contact (410) 841-5710.

Online Courses:

Certified Training Institute

<u>Course Number</u>	<u>Course Description</u>	Category Approval
	Pesticide Applicator Certification Core	Any Category
	Standards Training Program and Practice Tes	t
	Field Crop Pest Management	1A
	Ornamental Plant Pest Management	3A, 3B
	Turfgrass Pest Management	3 C
	Controlling Aquatic Pests	5
	Right of Way Pest Management	6
	General Structural Pest Management	7A
	Mosquito Control	8

<u>Website</u>: https://www.certifiedtraininginstitute.com/pesticide/exam-prep/ or Certified Training

Institute Assistance 800-727-7104

<u>Pested</u>

Course Number	<u>Course Description</u>	Category Approval
	Pesticide Use and Safety	Any Category
	Agricultural – Plant	1A
	Forest	2
	Ornamental – Exterior	3A
	Ornamental – Interior	3B
	Turf	3C
	Aquatic	5
	Right of Way	6
	General Pest Control	7A
	Wood Destroying Insects	7B
	Rodent Control	7D
	Fumigation	7E
	Public Health	8

<u>Website</u>: https://pested.com/product-category/online-courses/maryland/ or Pested Assistance (845) 481-4048

Purdue University

<u>Course Number</u>	Course Description	Category Approval
	Introduction to Urban and Industrial IPM	7A, 7D, 8
	Advanced-Level Urban and Industrial	
	IPM	7A, 7D
	Food Plant IPM	7A, 7D
	Termites and Other Wood	
	Destroying Pests IPM	7B
	Wildlife Damage Management IPM	7C
	Turfgrass IPM	3C
	IPM in Public Buildings & Landscapes	7A, 7B, 7D, 3A, 3C
	Bed Bugs IPM	7A
	Invasive Borers IPM	2

<u>Website</u>: https://www.eventreg.purdue.edu/info/pest/default.aspx or Office of Self-Directed Learning Programs within the Continuing Education Division (855) 311-0002

<u>Professional Home Inspection Institute</u>

<u>Course Number</u> <u>Course Description</u> <u>Category Approval</u>

Structural Pest Course 7E

 $\underline{\textbf{Website}} : \underline{\textbf{https://www.homeinspectioninstitute.com/pest.php}} \ or \ Professional \ Home \ Inspection$

Institute (605) 427-2908