TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2019

UMaine Cooperative Extension/Maine Board of Pesticides Control Pesticide Applicator Recertification

Kennebec/Penobscot Room (1 credit each hour)

9:30–10:30  Bt Corn Update—John Jemison, UMaine

10:45–11:45 Maine Board of Pesticide Control Update—BPC Staff

2:00–3:00  Use of Disinfectants on the Farm: What They Are, How They Work and Use Precautions—Linda Titus, Ag Matters

3:15–4:15  Respirators: What You Need to Know—Jason Lilley, UMaine

Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association (MOFGA)

Piscataquis/Sagadahoc (1 credit)

10:00–11:00  Organic Pest Control: The Bugs and the Diseases—Eric Sideman, MOFGA

Maine Christmas Tree Association
Arnold Room (1 credit each hour)

1:30-2:30  Regulation and Enforcement of Pesticide Law—Ray Connors, BPC

2:45-3:45  Pesticides Risk and Human Health—Pam Bryer, BPC

Maine Vegetable and Small Fruit Growers Association

Fort Western Room

1:30-4:00  What’s In Your Tank? Understanding Spray Additives for Both Conventional and Organic Materials—Laughlin Titus, AgMatters

2 credits for attending ALL sessions (not each)

Washing and Short-Term Storage Options for Fresh Vegetables—Andrew Chamberlin, University of Vermont Coop. Extension

Update from the BPC—Megan Patterson, BPC

Spinach Throughout the Summer—Mark Hutton, UMCE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15 AND WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2019

Respirator Fit Testing

Sponsored by Cumberland County Extension and Maine Labor Group on Health

Civic Center Locker Room (no credit)

Pre-registration is required. Record of a medical evaluation, and the respirator to be used must be present. Registration costs $15.

Under the revised Worker Protection Standards, anyone applying pesticides that require the use of a respirator, must complete (and maintain a record of) a respirator fit test. Respirator fit tests must be completed with the same make, model, size, and style of respirator that will be used in the field. Prior to respirator fit testing, each applicator must pass (and maintain a record of) a medical evaluation demonstrating they are physically fit enough to wear a respirator.

For more information, and to register, go to https://extension.umaine.edu/cumberland/event/respirator-fit-test/2019-01-15/

Stay Informed!

Licenses and notices are now sent via email whenever possible, which means we need a correct email for you. If yours has changed, please notify jan.betts@maine.gov

The Maine Board of Pesticides Control now has an online portal. It’s free and easy to use! If you don’t already have one, create an account by going to www.maine.gov/bpc. Follow the directions and you will be able to conduct your BPC business online, including:

- Signing up for exams
- Submitting applications for licensing
- Keeping track of recertification credits
- Reprinting licenses—free!
- Renewing licenses
- Paying for exams and licenses
78th Annual Maine Agricultural Trades Show
PESTICIDE APPLICATOR TRAINING PROGRAMS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2019

UMaine Cooperative Extension/Maine Board of Pesticides Control Pesticide Applicator Recertification

Kennebec/Penobscot Room (1 credit for each hour EXCEPT 1 credit for attending the entire BPC meeting and forum)

9:00–10:00 Pesticide Risks: What You Need to Know—Pam Bryer, BPC
10:15–11:15 Pesticide Application Equipment Calibration Part I—George Hamilton, UNH
11:30–12:30 Pesticide Application Equipment Calibration Part II—George Hamilton, UNH
1:30–2:30 Emerging Invasive Insects: Emerald Ash Borer, Brown Marmorated Stink Bug, and Spotted Wing Lanternfly—Karen Coluzzi, MDACP and MFS Staff
3:00–4:00* Board of Pesticides Control Meeting
4:00–5:00* Open Forum for Growers, Applicators and the Public—BPC
5:00–6:00* BPC Meeting, continued

*One credit for attending entire meeting and forum

Maine Vegetable and Small Fruit Growers Association

Fort Western Room (1 credit each hour)

9:15–10:30 Highmoor Farm Trials: Melons, Strawberries, Beans, Pumpkins, Sweet Corn, and More—Mark Hutton and David Handley, UMCE
1:30–2:30 New Vegetable Varieties, Focus on Disease Resistance—Tom Lewandowski, Harris Seeds; Lauchlin Titus, Seedway
2:30–3:30 Getting Started in Raspberries—David Handley, UMCE Adventures in Pest Control, Stories From the Field—Lauchlin Titus, AgMatters

Maine Grass Farmers’ Network

Hancock Room (1 credit)

12:00–2:00 The Dirty Dozen: Identifying and Managing the Most Challenging Weeds in Pastures and Hayfields—Caragh Fitzgerald, UMCE

Maine State Florists’ and Growers’ Association

Sagadahoc Room (1 credit)

9:30–10:30 Data-driven Decision Making for Greenhouse and Nursery Management—Matt Wallhead, UMaine
3:00–4:00 Game Time! What’s Bugging You?!—Carole Neil and Sarah Scally, DCAF

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2019

UMaine Cooperative Extension/Maine Board of Pesticides Control Pesticide Applicator Recertification

Kennebec/Penobscot Room (1 credit each hour)

9:00–10:00 Number One Plant Disease of Vegetables, Tree Fruit, Ornamentals, and Shade Trees—Alicyn Smart, UMCE
10:15–11:15 Wild Blueberry Pest Management Update—Seanna Annis and Dave Yarborough, UMaine
11:30–12:30 Pollinators and Pesticides, Best Management Practices to Reduce Exposure—Frank Drummond and Lily Calderwood, UMaine
12:45–1:45 Applications of Unmanned Aerial Systems for IPM—Matt Wallhead, UMaine

UMaine Climate & Agriculture Network

Howard Room (1 credit each hour)

9:00–10:00 Changing Weather for Maine Agriculture—Glen Koehler, UMCE
11:00–12:00 Ag Radar—Using Weather to Inform Pest Management—Glen Koehler, UMCE

Strawberry School—UMaine Cooperative Extension

Fort Western Room (2 credits for entire program)

$25.00 Registration fee; pre-registration advised—contact Pam St.Peter at pamela.stpeter@maine.edu or 207-933-2100.

There will be a break for lunch (on your own).

10:00–4:30 David Handley, UMCE

- The Strawberry Plant: What You Should Know
- Varieties
- Pre-plant Considerations and Preparation
- Irrigation Options
- Matted Row Perennial Production
- plasticulture Production: June-bearing Plants
- plasticulture Production: Day-neutral Plants for Off-season Harvest
- Pest ID and Management
- Post-harvest Handling & Marketing Options

2 credits for attending entire program