



# New Paraquat Requirements Update

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- New labeling of paraquat products requires that any person, prior to using paraquat, must be a licensed or certified NCDA&CS pesticide applicator and **MUST SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE NEW PARAQUAT TRAINING**.
- An applicator **CANNOT** apply paraquat under the supervision of someone else's license.
- Training can be accessed online through the "How to Safely Use and Handle Paraquat-Containing Pesticides" Paraquat Training Module: <http://www.usparaquattraining.com/>
- Training can also be completed in-person through the NCSU Cooperative Extension Agency. In person training will be scheduled on a county-by-county basis; contact your local NCSU Cooperative Extension Agent.
- Once completed, the training is good for 3 years.
- Spanish versions (Mexican Spanish and Puerto Rican Spanish) of the online training will be available.
- Paraquat training must be completed individually. Applicators must receive a 100% on the final assessment to obtain a completion certificate.
- Individuals that complete the online training must print out a copy of their completion certificate for their records. Individuals that attend the in person training will receive a paper copy of their completion certificate for their records.
- Paraquat training is **NOT** required to purchase paraquat products but is **MANDATORY** for all paraquat use activities (including mixing, loading, application, transportation, storage, disposal, cleaning pesticide equipment, etc.).
- Previously purchased paraquat products that do not include the new training requirement on the label can be used **WITHOUT** completing the online training.

