

Annual Maine Agricultural Trades Show

PESTICIDE APPLICATOR TRAINING PROGRAMS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2025

UMaine Cooperative Extension/Maine Board of Pesticides Control Pesticide Applicator Recertification (Kennebec/Penobscot Room) (1 credit each hour)

- 9:00–10:00 Potential Changes in Pesticide Uses from the Endangered Species Act Implementation—Cameron Douglass, USDA
- 10:15–11:15 Livestock and Poultry Integrated Pest Management Resources in Maine—Hillary Peterson, IPM Specialist, DACF
- 12:00–1:00 Emergency Preparedness and Storage of Pesticides with Extreme Weather in Mind—Jason Lilley, Maine Sustainable Ag & Maple Industry Educator, UMaine Extension
- 1:15–2:15 Vegetable IPM: The Basics—David Handley, Vegetable & Small Fruit Specialist, UMaine Extension
- 2:30–3:30 Weed Management in Grasslands—Jaime Garzon, Dairy Forage Educator, UMaine Ext.
- 3:45–4:45 BPC Update—John Pietroski, Manager of Pesticide Programs, BPC

Maine Christmas Tree Association (Arnold Room) (1 credit for program)

- 10:00–11:30 Rules & Regulations—Karla Boyd, Policy & Regulations Specialist, BPC

Maine Organic Farmers' and Growers' Association (Piscataquis/Sagadahoc Rm)

- 9:00–10:00 Coffee Hour Crop Conversation, Caleb Goossen, MOFGA Crop Specialist; Jason Lilley, UMaine Ext, and others
- 1:00–2:00 Emerging Diseases of Concern in Tunnel Tomatoes—Alicyn Smart, Plant Pathologist, UMaine Ext.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2025

Presenter David Handley, UMaine Extension Pesticide Applicator Recertification for Raspberry School 2025 (2 credits for completing entire training) (Fort Western Rm)

- 10:00–10:15 Introductions & Objectives
- 10:15–11:00 Raspberries: History & Botany
- 11:00–11:30 Raspberry Variety Options
- 11:30–12:00 Pre-plant Considerations & Preparation
- 1:00–1:45 Planting, Early Care & Nutrition
- 1:45–2:30 Trellising Options
- 2:30–3:00 Pruning
- 3:00–4:00 Pest Identification & Management
- 4:00–4:30 Marketing Options & Business Management
- 4:30 Questions & Discussion

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2025

UMaine Cooperative Extension/Maine Board of Pesticides Control Pesticide Applicator Recertification (Kennebec/Penobscot Rm) (1 credit each hour)

- 9:00–10:00 PFAS in Agriculture: DACF's Approach—Megan Hennessey, Director, PFAS Response Program, DACF
- 10:15–11:15 Rules & Regulations—Karla Boyd, Policy & Regulations Specialist, BPC
- 11:30–12:30 BPC Water Quality Past, Present and Future—Julia Vacchiano, Registrar & Water Quality Specialist, BPC

Board Meeting live streamed from (Kenn./Penob. Rm)

- 1:00–1:30* Board of Pesticides Control Meeting
- 1:30–2:00* Open Forum for Growers, Applicators and the Public—BPC
- 2:00–4:00* BPC Meeting, continued
- *One credit for attending entire meeting and forum*

Maine Vegetable and Small Fruit Growers' Association (Fort Western Room) (1 credit for morning & 1 credit for afternoon) Fee for non-members

- 9:00–12:00 MVSFG Winter Meeting, morning sessions—multiple speakers
- 1:30–4:00 MVSFG Winter Meeting, afternoon sessions—multiple speakers

Produce Farm Food Safety Plan Workshop (Arnold Rm) (Meetings offered both Jan. 15 & 16) (1 credit each)

- 1:00–3:00 Food Safety Plan How-to Workshop—Lindsay Werner, Consumer Protection Inspector, DACF
- 3:00–5:00 Agricultural Water Assessment Workshop—Lindsay Werner, Consumer Protection Inspector, DACF

Winter Meeting of the Maine State Pomological Society (Arnold Rm) (2 credits for attending all three)

- 9:30–10:00 2024 Apple Pest Review & Outlook for 2025—Glen Koehler, Assoc. Scientist IPM, UMaine Ext
- 10:15–11:15 Managing Weeds in Perennial Crops—Maria Gannet, Production Ag Educator, UMass Ext.
- 11:15–11:45 Board of Pesticides Control Update—BPC staff

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- 9:00–10:00 Potential Changes in Pesticide Uses from the Endangered Species Act Implementation—Cameron Douglass, USDA
- 10:15–11:15 Managing Fine Leaf Sheep Fescue and Drone Spraying Update for Wild Blueberry Production—Lily Calderwood, Extension Wild Blueberry Specialist, Assoc. Prof of Horticulture, UMaine Ext
- 11:30–12:30 Wild Blueberry Insect and Disease Management Updates—Seanna Annis, Director of SBE/Professor of Mycology; & Phillip Fanning, Asst. Professor of Agricultural Entomology
- 12:30–1:30 BPC Update—John Pietroski, Manager of Pesticide Programs, BPC