The Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP) provides training for Alaskans intent on becoming certified pesticide applicators with the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation Pesticide Branch and for those maintaining their certifications.

The training costs $75 and includes all necessary study materials.

Materials can be picked up at your local Cooperative Extension Service district offices during scheduled office hours. Those in remote locations will be mailed study materials after registration with ample time allowed for delivery.

Participants are encouraged to become familiar with the materials and math needed prior to the training. An exam is scheduled after the training.


Certification is required by law for individuals who:

1. Purchase, use or sell Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) restricted-use pesticides (RUP).
2. Use or supervise the use of an EPA general- or restricted-use pesticide for commercial purposes (for hire).
3. Apply pesticides to someone else’s property.
4. Consult or advise about pesticides.
5. Use or supervise the use of pesticides at a public place, such as a school, common area of an apartment building or government office, park or public sports field, unless it is an antimicrobial.
6. Need to satisfy the requirements of a pesticide permit.