

# Pesticide Re-Certification Program

The LMHIA offers our members a Pesticide Re-certification Credit Program. Instead of writing the applicator's exam every 5 years, growers have the option of collecting credits by participating at the short course and other pre-approved educational events like field days and commodity-sponsored seminars.

## How do I participate in this program?

- ❖ Hold a current, valid 5-year certificate
- ❖ Register with LMHIA to have your credits tracked by LMHIA management
- ❖ Maintain LMHIA membership by registering for the short course each year
- ❖ Sign the registration sheets available following each eligible session or program

## How do I get my certification in the first place?

- ❖ The Ministry of Agriculture and Lands website has information on where and how to apply for certification. [www.al.gov.bc.ca/pesticides/h\\_1.htm](http://www.al.gov.bc.ca/pesticides/h_1.htm)

## I have a valid certificate. Now what?

- ❖ Register your information with LMHIA using the form below, so we can get you on the database and start tracking your credits. Without this registration, we have no way of knowing that you want your credits tracked.
- ❖ You must obtain 20 credits over the five year period of your certificate to be eligible to apply for re-certification without writing the exam again.
- ❖ Credits are tracked free of charge for our members

## Why do I need to sign forms at the end of each eligible session?

- ❖ If you do not sign the form at the end of each eligible session, we have no way to accurately track your progress. The information must be legible and complete.

## My certificate is close to expiring. What happens?

- ❖ You will receive an annual report if you are enrolled in the program.
- ❖ If you have enough credits you will receive a letter explaining how to apply for re-certification
- ❖ A renewal fee, payable to the Ministry of Finance is required
- ❖ If you do not have enough credits, you must write the exam
- ❖ When you receive your new certificate, you must re-register with the LMHIA to continue tracking your credits. LMHIA has no direct connection to the Ministry of Environment

Registration forms for the credit program are available at the registration desk during the Growers' Short Course, or you can use the form below and mail or fax it along with a copy of your current certificate.

### Pesticide Re-Certification Credit Program Registration

(complete this form to register in the credit program—only required at the beginning of the current 5-year cycle)

Grower Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Farm Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Pesticide Applicator Certificate Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the above information is correct. I intend to participate in on-going pesticide management training.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: LMHIA, 1767 Angus Campbell Road, Abbotsford, BC V3G 2M3, or fax to 604-857-1570

The Lower Mainland Horticulture Improvement Association organizes the Annual Growers' Short Course. The funds raised from registration/membership are primarily used for funding agriculture research projects which benefit farmers on the Lower Mainland. The LMHIA also publishes Production Guides and manages a pesticide certificate re-certification program for members.

To confirm that you are registered, please call Sandy Dunn at 604-857-0318 or e-mail to [sandyg@uniserve.com](mailto:sandyg@uniserve.com).

Sessions at the Short Course which are eligible for pesticide re-certification credits are indicated by a ladybug logo.



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