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PROTECTING WHAT MATTERS POLK PESTICIDE TRAINING

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AQUATIC AND NATURAL AREAS PESTICIDE EXAM PREPS

UF/IFAS Extension Polk County will hold exam preps for the Aquatic and Natural Areas pesticide applicator exams on Tuesday, April, 24 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Polk County Extension office, located at 1702 Hwy. 17-98 South, Bartow, Florida, 33830. Extension programs are provided through cooperation between Polk County Board of County Commissioners and the University of Florida IFAS on a non-discriminatory basis.

The Aquatics applicator pesticide license is required in order to use restricted use pesticides in aquatic areas and is often referenced in bids for maintenance contracts. The Natural Areas category allows for restricted use pesticide applications in areas such as reclaimed mines and other non-agricultural production clearings and maintained mixed species areas. The program will also offer Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for currently licensed applicators.

Advance registration is \$20 per person per class. See complete details and register online with a credit card at <https://tinyurl.com/y9m77d6n> or contact Gail Crawford at (863) 519-1042 for more information.

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LIMITED COMMERCIAL LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE EXAM PREP

UF/IFAS Extension Polk County will hold training for the Limited Commercial Landscape Maintenance and Limited Lawn and Ornamental pesticide applicator licenses Thursday, April 19, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Polk County Extension office located at 1702 Hwy. 17-98 South, Bartow, Florida, 33830. Extension programs are provided through cooperation between Polk County Board of County Commissioners and the University of Florida IFAS on a non-discriminatory basis.

The training includes basic pesticide safety and pest information, followed by an exam review and exam. Those interested in taking the exam must bring completed application materials, including a \$150 application fee, to the training. Current license holders may also attend for license renewal Continuing Education Units (CEUs).

Advance registration is \$40 per person and includes lunch. On-site registration is \$45. See complete details and register online with a credit card at <https://tinyurl.com/y7cpzvm4> or contact Gail Crawford at (863) 519-1042 for more information.

Florida law requires anyone who uses any product to control pests on landscapes commercially to have a pesticide license. A Limited Commercial Landscape Certification allows applications of certain pesticides to plant beds as part of a landscape business. This one day course is being offered to help landscapers in Polk County prepare to take the certification exam. The training also covers materials for the Limited Lawn and Ornamental exam for in house property maintenance crews including governments.

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DEVELOPING POTENTIAL POLK SMALL FARMS

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CANNING UNDER THE COTTAGE LAW

Have you noticed a surge of interest in canning fruits and vegetables?

The UF/IFAS Extension Polk County Small Farms program will offer a water bath canning class on Thursday, March 29, 2018 at the UF/IFAS Extension Polk County office in Bartow. The class is limited to 20 participants on a first come first served basis. Water bath canning of sweet spreads such as jams and jellies will be demonstrated.

This class will provide instruction on: how to can; necessary equipment and how to use it; pros and cons of different types of canners; what can and cannot be safely altered in a recipe; plus, what’s important for safety. Regulations that allow the sale of home canned foods will also be discussed. All classes will show complete processing procedures, use of equipment and answer all your questions. Directions, recipes and resource lists will be available to take home. You’ll go home ready to start canning!

CLASS DETAILS

When: Thursday, March 29: 9 AM - 1 PM.

Where: UF/IFAS Extension Polk County, 1702 S Hwy 17 S., Bartow, FL 33830

Cost: \$10 registration

Register: Online at <https://tinyurl.com/yarsfp2c>

Contact: Rita West at 863-519-1043 or ritawest@ufl.edu or Mary Beth Henry at 863-519-1049 or mbhenry@ufl.edu

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