

1505.4070 MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS OF INSPECTION PERSONNEL.

Persons who perform the duties of implementation related to field surveillance, inspection, collection of samples, or other activities regarding the collection, preservation, and documentation of evidence are required to meet minimum requirements of education, training, and experience. The minimum requirement is a score of at least 70 percent on an experience and training rating administered by the department. The experience and training rating must have a possible total score of 100 percent. The experience and training rating must be based on the following criteria:

A. a passing score on the commercial pesticide applicator certification examination or a currently valid license as a commercial pesticide applicator in categories appropriate to the local implementation program; and

B. a bachelor's degree in agronomy, chemistry, ecology, entomology, horticulture, plant pathology, geology, hydrology, public health, environmental health, soil science, or a similar field of study; or

C. a master's degree in one of the fields listed in item B; or

D. experience enforcing or ensuring compliance with laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to pesticides; or

E. experience providing technical advice in the use, storage, handling, and disposal of pesticides; or

F. professional research or analytical experience pertaining to properties, use, effectiveness, safety, or regulation of pesticides.

Bonus points will be awarded, if a passing score of 70 percent is achieved, for possession of six or more quarter credits or four or more semester credits in pesticide-related courses.

A resume that details the qualifications of identified inspection personnel of the local unit of government must be submitted for department review when submitting the delegation agreement for the commissioner's signature.

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