

Required Paraquat Training Program

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General Information

- Registrants developed the paraquat training program together.
- Only certified applicators who successfully complete an EPA-approved paraquat training program will be able to legally use paraquat.*
- All paraquat applicators will be required to take the training once the training link is available on the label.*
- Training must be successfully completed every three years.*

*Source: Paraquat Dichloride Human Health Mitigation Decision, December 15, 2016 (Amended January 12, 2017):
<https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0855-0115>

Links

- The link to the training program will be found on all end-use paraquat product labels in the new “Certified Applicator Training” section.
- The link is <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-worker-safety/paraquat-dichloride-training-certified-applicators>.
- The direct link to the training is www.usparaquattraining.com.
- Training should go live within a few weeks.

Timeline

- Amended paraquat labels were stamped by EPA on November 14, 2018.
- Registrants will be prohibited from the sale or distribution of paraquat products with labeling inconsistent with the *Paraquat Dichloride Human Health Mitigation Decision* as of November 14, 2019.*
- Persons other than the registrant may continue to sell and/or use existing stocks of products with the previously approved labeling until such stocks are exhausted, provided that such use is consistent with the terms of the previously approved labeling.*

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What about state paraquat training programs?

- In cases where state-based certified applicator training programs adequately address the required aspects of an EPA-approved paraquat training program, they may be determined to be equivalent training materials.

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