Dicamba and Paraquat Training Requirements

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Before applying Dicamba and Paraquat formulations make sure you have checked out the training requirements. Here are some frequently asked questions, provided by the K-State Pesticide Safety and Integrated Pest Management Program.

2022 Kansas Dicamba Training Information - Frequently Asked Questions
Do all dicamba product labels require the additional training? You are required to have additional label-required dicamba training when applying the restricted use dicamba products: Engenia, XtendiMax or Tavium with Vapogrip.
Where can I get the training for 2022?
BASF: (webinars, online training and face to face) engeniaherbicide.com/training.html
Bayer/Monsanto: (online training and face-to-face) https://www.roundupreadyxtend.com/stewardship/Pages/default.aspx
Syngenta: https://www.syngenta-us.com/herbicides/tavium-application-stewardship

Do I need to attend training if I already did in 2020 or 2021? The labels of these products state that prior to applying this product in the 2022 growing season, all applicators must complete dicamba or auxin-specific training on an annual basis, so even if you attended in 2020 or 2021 you will need to attend a training in 2022 prior to applying these products.
Do I need to be certified to use these products? The new labels state that these formulations are for retail sale to and use only by certified applicators. In the state of Kansas, this means that everyone purchasing and using these products has to either obtain a private applicator license (application to agricultural lands owned or operated by individual) or a commercial applicator license (applicants applying to other people’s land for compensation). If you have been applying under someone else’s license in the past you will need to get your own license if you are applying these products.
My hired hand and I both hold private applicators licenses. He will be doing all my spraying. I am taking the dicamba training, but does he also have to take the dicamba training? Yes, anyone who applies one the RUP dicamba products must complete an approved dicamba training and hold either a private or commercial applicator license.
Do other states accept Kansas’s state-approved RUP dicamba training? Oklahoma does not accept online or live webinar dicamba training provided by BASF. Colorado, Missouri and Nebraska will accept training offered by Byer, BASF and Syngenta.

2022 Kansas Paraquat Training Information - Frequently Asked Questions
So do all paraquat dichloride product labels require the additional training? All products featuring the new labeling with the active ingredient paraquat dichloride, such as Gramoxone, Firestorm, Helmuat and Parazone will require the additional training in order to apply these products. Remember if the new training requirement is listed on the label of the product you are using, then you MUST complete the training.
Who is required to take this training? Any person who intends to use paraquat must be a certified applicator and is required to take this training.
How often am I required to receive the training? The training is required every three years.
Check to make sure your training is current!
Do I need to be certified to use products containing paraquat dichloride? The newly labeled products state that “Product may ONLY be mixed, loaded or applied by a certified applicator who has successfully completed the paraquat-specific training before use. Application “under direct
supervision” of a certified applicator is NO LONGER allowed. In the state of Kansas, this means that everyone purchasing and using these products has to either obtain a private applicator license (application to agricultural lands owned or operated by individual) or a commercial applicator license (applicators applying to other people’s land for compensation). If you have been applying under someone else’s license in the past you will need to get your own license before applying these products.

How can I complete the training requirements? The only training that meets the requirements is housed on the eXtension website and can be found by going to: http://usparaquattraining.com. If you don’t currently have an account you will need to create one before it will allow you to take the training. For in-person training materials, please visit https://npsec.us/paraquat

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