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IPM Accreditation Program for Golf Courses

IPM Agent Responsibilities

The updated O. Reg. 63/09 came into effect on May 1, 2020. While the requirement for public meetings was removed, achieving and maintaining *IPM Accreditation – Level 2* and public posting of the Annual Report – Unlisted Pesticides is still required. You can access the latest version of the Regulation [here](#).

Our environmental auditors have recently reported situations observed during on-site audits that can potentially impact the IPM Certification status of IPM Agents, as well as the ability for the registered golf course to legally apply unlisted (previously known as Class 9) pesticides.

This is a refresher to ensure all IPM Certified Agents are aware of their personal responsibilities. You can download the full Policies and Procedures document [here](#).

The IPM Accreditation Program requires all IPM Certified Agents to:

- 1) Hold a valid landscape exterminator licence.
- 2) Achieve 75% or better on the IPM examination.
- 3) Register and pay the annual registration fee by June 1st each year.
- 4) Submit proof of a minimum of six (6) continuing education credits by May 31st each year or achieve 75% or better on the IPM examination.
- 5) Ensure all required forms are complete, signed and submitted for **all golf facilities** they represent for the annual desk review.
- 6) Be present and available to the environmental auditor during the on-site audit.
- 7) Maintain all scouting, training, maintenance and spraying records, **as well as pesticide purchase receipts and pesticide inventories for all properties** they represent as an IPM Certified Agent. These will be required during the on-site audit.
- 8) Ensure only product that has been labelled for use on golf courses is being applied.

***NB** If either #7 or #8 is missed, the on-site audit will automatically receive a FAIL grade and IPM Accreditation - Level 2, as required by the Ontario government, will not be achieved.

Failure to conform with any of the above listed requirements may result in loss of the Agent's IPM Certification.