

**PERMIT EXAMINATION APPLICATION
BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY
P. O. BOX 5207
MISSISSIPPI STATE, MS 39762 PHONE: 662-325-3390**

*TYPE OR LEGIBLY PRINT ALL INFORMATION (ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS)
DO NOT FAX THE COMPLETED FORM. MAIL COMPLETED FORM WITH ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION*

PERMIT EXAM APPLICANT'S NAME _____

PERMIT EXAM APPLICANTS ONLY:

A permit is required to supervise the work at a branch office. The license holder must manage this work. A permit is not a license. *To qualify for any permit examination; the applicant must be a bona fide employee of the license holder and have a valid Mississippi registered technician identification card.* All permit examinations are given at Mississippi State University (Starkville, Mississippi) on the second Tuesday of January, April, July, and October. An application must be approved at least ten (10) days prior to the test date. (To allow application processing time, completed applications must be received two (2) weeks prior to exam date). **AFTER YOUR APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING OF THE LOCATION AND DATE OF THE EXAMINATION.** There are no fees for taking examinations, or for the issuance of a permit. Permit exams may be taken quarterly until passed.

I AM A BONA FIDE EMPLOYEE OF A MISSISSIPPI LICENSEE AND HAVE A VALID REGISTERED TECHNICIAN IDENTIFICATION CARD:

YES NO (IF YES, GO TO PAGE 2)
(IF NO, YOU DO NOT MEET MISSISSIPPI QUALIFICATIONS FOR PERMITTING)

TO MEET PERMIT QUALIFICATIONS, WORK WITH THE MISSISSIPPI LICENSEE WHERE YOU ARE EMPLOYED TO BECOME A REGISTERED TECHNICIAN

THE REGISTERED TECHNICIAN IDENTIFICATION CARD APPLICATION CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE AT

http://www.mdac.ms.gov/wp-content/uploads/bpi_regpro_regtech.pdf

OR YOUR EMPLOYER MAY CALL THE BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY

APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO MEET ALL STANDARDS FOR COMMERCIAL CERTIFICATION

APPLICANTS FOR PERMIT EXAMS MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF COMMERCIAL CERTIFICATION, IN MISSISSIPPI, OR A STATE WHERE MISSISSIPPI HAS A RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT, OR MUST TAKE THE GENERAL STANDARDS COMMERCIAL CERTIFICATION CORE EXAMINATION. IF COMMERCIALLY CERTIFIED, PROVIDE LEGIBLE COPY OF FRONT AND BACK OF VALID COMMERCIAL CERTIFICATION CARD.

I AM COMMERCIALLY CERTIFIED IN MISSISSIPPI OR ANOTHER STATE IN THE APPROPRIATE CATEGORY:

YES NO

**IF NO, YOU MUST REGISTER TO TAKE THE GENERAL STANDARDS CORE EXAMINATION.
SEE EXAMINATION CATEGORY TABLE AND MARK GS CATEGORY.**

PLEASE NOTE: IF APPLYING TO TAKE PERMIT EXAM(S):

- ATTACH PROOF OF COMMERCIAL CERTIFICATION (IF CERTIFIED)

**MARK WITH AN X IN THE CATEGORY BOX(ES)
WHERE YOU MEET QUALIFICATIONS TO TAKE EXAMINATION(S)**

EXAMINATION CATEGORY		PERMIT
WDI	Wood destroying insect control	
GRC	General pest and rodent control	
MBF	Mosquito and biting fly control	
HCP	Horticultural pest control	
ORP	Orchard pest control	
DAP	Domestic animal pest control	
FUM	Fumigation pest control	
AGP	Agricultural pest control	
AGW	Agricultural weed control	
AQW	Aquatic weed control	
ROW	Right-of-way weed control	
HCW	Horticultural weed control	
GS	General Standards Commercial Certification Core Exam	

PROVIDE YOUR:

FULL NAME (including prefix & suffix) _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____ CELL PHONE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ TODAY'S DATE _____

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION
TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT OR SUPERVISORY LICENSE HOLDER

EMPLOYER COMPANY NAME _____

COMPANY ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____

DATES OF EMPLOYMENT: FROM _____ TO _____

MONTH DAY YEAR MONTH DAY YEAR

TITLE OF APPLICANT _____

MISSISSIPPI TECHNICIAN IDENTIFICATION CARD NUMBER _____

CATEGORIES LISTED ON IDENTIFICATION CARD _____

APPLICANT IS COMMERCIALY CERTIFIED IN THE STATE OF _____

APPLICANT'S COMMERCIAL CERTIFICATION NUMBER IS _____

PROOF OF COMMERCIAL CERTIFICATION IS ATTACHED: YES NO

SUPERVISORY LICENSE HOLDER SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED

By signing this application, I _____ affirm the above information is correct and the applicant is a bonafide employee with a valid Mississippi Registered Technician Identification Card, is commercially certified and works under my direct supervision for the following category(s): _____
_____ (As listed on page 2 of application). My ID number is _____

SIGNATURE OF LICENSE HOLDER _____

SIGNATURE OF REGISTERED TECHNICIAN _____

HOW TO BECOME COMMERCIALY CERTIFIED

The Mississippi State University Extension Service publishes self-study materials for those individuals who are seeking to become commercially certified. To prepare for taking the commercial certification exam, all applicants may purchase the general standards core manual, entitled Applying Pesticides Correctly. The manual, its price, and the order form may be found at <https://techoutreach.msucare.com/commercial-pesticide-applicator-training-study-materials-order-form>. **The manual is not available from the Bureau of Plant Industry.** Permit applicants, who are not commercially certified, must pass the general standards core examination. Mississippi permit exams meet the standards of competency for specific commercial certification category exams as outlined in Environmental Protection Agency Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, § 171.4. Therefore, it is not necessary to take commercial certification category exams if permit exam is passed.

The applicant should study the general standards core manual and plan to take the exam at either the office of the Bureau of Plant Industry on any week day, except holidays, as long as the applicant notifies the Bureau 24 hours in advance at 662-325-3390 and receives approval, or at any of the six locations within the state where recertification sessions are conducted during the year. A list of these locations can be found at <http://extension.msstate.edu/commercial-applicator-recertification-schedules>. The general standards core exam may also be taken by permit applicants at the license and permit examination sessions on the second Tuesday of January, April, July, and October once approval is received.

The Bureau of Plant Industry, which is the regulatory agency in the State of Mississippi, conducts and administers all certification, license, and permit exams. For additional information, please Gene Merkl at 662-325-5829 or Mississippi State University, Clay Lyle Building, Box 9775, Mississippi State, MS 39762.

INCOMPLETE PERMIT APPLICATIONS WILL BE DENIED

PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION. BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY DOES NOT PROVIDE STUDY MATERIAL. YOU WILL BE PROVIDED WITH A STUDY REFERENCE LIST AFTER YOUR APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COMMERCE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LICENSES

No person shall advertise in any manner to render professional services or solicit business, or receive a fee for performing the services listed below without first obtaining a license. Persons must secure a license from the Bureau of Plant Industry, Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce in accordance with Sections 69-19-1 through 69-19-11, Mississippi Code 1972. Failure to secure a license could result in a civil penalty up to \$5,000.

Exam Applications can be found at <http://www.mdac.ms.gov/publications-forms/forms/bpi-regulation-professional-services-forms/> or under Bureau of Plant Industry, Regulation of Professional Services, and then Forms.

PERMIT TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Wood destroying insect control	Control of termites, beetles, or other wood destroying insects in buildings and other structures, including homes, warehouses, stores, docks and/or other structures. Control of Formosan termites attacking trees is included in this category.
Orchard pest control	Control of insect pests, plant diseases or pest animals of various fruit and nut trees, brambles, vineyards and all plants normally classed as nut trees or fruit orchards.
General pest and rodent control	Control of insect pests or pest animals which may invade homes, restaurants, stores and other buildings, attacking their contents or furnishings or being a general nuisance, but do not normally attack the building itself, as for example: roaches, silverfish, ants, flies, mosquitoes, carpet beetles, clothes moths, fleas, stored food insects, rats, mice, centipedes, etc.
Mosquito and biting fly control	Control of mosquitoes and biting flies including mosquito misting systems and back pack applications.
Horticultural pest control	Control of insect pests, plant diseases or pest animals of ornamental plants, shade trees (which may include nut or fruit trees if used as ornamental plants or shade trees) and lawns in residential, commercial, public, industrial and manufacturing areas.
Domestic animal pest control	Control of insect pests of domestic animals.
Fumigation pest control	Control of pests by fumigation. A person holding a license or permit shall be present at the time fumigant is released.
Agricultural pest control	Control of insect pests, plant diseases, or animal pests of agricultural crops during production. This category includes anyone soliciting and/or receiving a fee for these services who utilize ground application equipment.
Agricultural weed control	Control of weeds in field crops, vegetable crops, pastures and rangeland. This category includes anyone soliciting and/or receiving a fee for these services who utilize ground application equipment.
Aquatic weed control	Control of weeds in and around edges of lakes, ponds and streams.
Right-of-way weed Control	Control of weeds of rights-of-way, forest lands and drainage ditches.
Horticultural weed control	Control of weeds in ornamental plants and turf in residential, commercial, public, industrial and manufacturing areas.
LISTED BELOW ARE EXAMPLES OF WHAT IS NOT A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LICENSE	
Private Applicator Certification Card	City or County Privilege License / Permits
Commercial Applicator Certification Card	MS Tax Commission License
MSU Master Gardener Certification	MS Board of Contractors License
MS Landscape Architecture License	MS Nursery and Landscape Association Membership
International Society of Arboriculture Certification	MS Secretary of State Business Registration
Nursery Certification	Nursery Dealer Certification

For more information contact the Bureau of Plant Industry at: 662-325-3390

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