Florida Pesticide Certification Exam Changes

UF/IFAS remains committed to best serving our stakeholders through education, training, and support. The primary provider for pesticide certification exam locations has been UF/IFAS through the county Extension network. All 67 county offices have historically offered free exams, either on paper or via a computer. Due to technological updates to Windows, internet networks, and the computers UF/IFAS uses for testing, there will be changes to the testing process going forward. Below is the timeline for these changes.

Effective January 1, 2025, paper exams <u>will no longer be offered</u> at UF/IFAS county Extension offices

Exams will still be available using the following two options:

- Computer exams at county Extension offices. Check the schedule and availability of your local extension office: https://pesticideexam.ifas.ufl.edu/public/testcenters.jsp
- 2) Testing with your own equipment using the Everblue testing portal (additional fees required).

Effective October 1, 2025 testing will no longer be available at UF/IFAS county Extension offices. The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) is in the process of selecting a testing vendor to take over at that point. Their stated plan is to have two options available for examinations:

- 1. Testing on a remote proctored platform. This would be similar (if not the same) as the current Everblue portal.
- 2. Testing at licensed testing centers around the state. These locations host a variety of other tests, like the GRE, SAT, and other professional certification exams.

The vendor, locations and processes related to testing after October 1, 2025, are still to be determined, but will be communicated as soon as that information is available.

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