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Dear Landscaper, Homeowner or Homeowners' Association:

Did you know that, unless the homeowner is applying product on their own property, a license is required to apply fertilizers or pesticides (including herbicides) in yards and other landscaped areas?

Commercial (for-hire) fertilizer applicators must have a valid Limited Urban Commercial Fertilizer Applicator Certificate, issued by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS). Commercial personnel applying pesticides in yards and other landscaped areas around buildings must either work under the supervision of a licensed Lawn and Ornamental Pest Control Operator, or they must carry their own FDACS Limited Certification as either:

- 1) Lawn & Ornamental, making applications at their own business or their employer's property; or
- 2) Commercial Landscape Maintenance, making applications to plant beds (not turf) on a for-hire basis.

Please note that pesticide applicators holding Limited Certifications cannot supervise unlicensed applicators.

To find out if your pesticide or fertilizer applicator is licensed, just ask!

You can also search for licensed individuals or companies through the FDACS website at:

<http://ceupublicsearch.freshfromflorida.com/personsearch.asp>
<http://aesearch.freshfromflorida.com/CompanySearch.asp>).

Many licensed applicators expand their professional certifications through:

FNGLA (<http://www.fn gla.org/professional-development/certifications/>) or
International Society of Arborists (<https://www.treesaregood.org/findanarborist>).

Sincerely,

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Estimado jardinero, propietario o miembros de la Asociación:

Sabía usted que, a menos que los propietarios apliquen el producto en su propiedad, se requiere una licencia para aplicar fertilizantes o pesticidas (incluyendo herbicidas) en sus patios u otras áreas.

Quienes apliquen tales fertilizantes (ya sea por contrato) deben contar con un certificado emitido por el Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS). El personal comercial que aplique pesticidas en patios u otras áreas alrededor de edificios, deben trabajar bajo la supervisión de un operador con licencia del Lawn and Ornamental Pest Control, debiendo llevar consigo su propio certificado emitido por el FDACS ya sea:

- 1) Patios u Ornamental, realizando aplicaciones en sus propios negocios o en la propiedad del empleador, o
- 2) Mantenimiento de jardines comerciales, realizando aplicaciones para plantas en serie (no en el césped) o sobre la base de contrato.

Se agradece tomar nota de que los que han solicitado que tengan Limited Certification no pueden supervisar a los solicitantes sin licencia.

Para averiguar si quien aplica pesticidas o fertilizante cuenta con licencia, ¡pregunte!

También pueden buscar por personas o compañías con licencia, en línea, visitando el FDACS:

<http://ceupublicsearch.freshfromflorida.com/personsearch.asp>
<http://aesearch.freshfromflorida.com/CompanySearch.asp>.

Muchos aplicadores con licencia amplían sus certificaciones profesionales a través de:

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