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Education Requirements.

(A) Each applicant for a fertilizer certificate shall successfully complete a department approved agricultural nutrient training course which, at a minimum, educates the applicant on the following:

(1) The proper times to apply fertilizer, including time of day and time of season;

(2) The proper place to apply fertilizer;

(3) The form of fertilizer that should be applied;

(4) The proper amount of fertilizer to be applied;

(5) The storage and handling of fertilizer; and

(6) The proper fertilizer application techniques.

(B) Except as provided below, all applicants for a fertilizer certificate must complete three hours of agricultural nutrient training. The following individuals are exempted from this requirement:

(1) Individuals who, at the time of their initial application for a fertilizer certificate, maintain a valid and current pesticide applicator license as outlined in chapter 921. of the Revised Code shall complete a minimum of two hours of agricultural nutrient training.

(2) Individuals who, at the time of their renewal application for a fertilizer certificate, maintain a valid and current fertilizer certificate under the rules of this chapter, shall complete a minimum of two hours of agricultural nutrient training.

(C) Each applicant shall successfully complete a course which satisfies paragraphs (A) and (B) of this rule within 24 months prior to submitting an application, including renewal applications, for a fertilizer certificate.

(D) Opportunity to take a fertilizer applicator course will be provided at such times and places as approved by the director in consideration of the number and location of requests for courses.

(E) The following individuals are exempted from the education requirements found in this rule:

(1) Individuals whom have provided evidence that they have completed the training provided in accordance with the "certified crop advisor" program conducted by the "American society of agronomy."

(2) Individuals who hold a valid and current livestock managers certification under

section 903.07 of the Revised Code.

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Certification

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