

2017 University of Georgia and Georgia Department of Agriculture Required Classroom Trainings for Applying Auxin Herbicides in Auxin-Tolerant Technologies

Cotton and soybean varieties with tolerance to auxin herbicides (2,4-D or dicamba) are being commercialized. Prior to making applications of dicamba to dicamba-tolerant cotton/soybean or 2,4-D to 2,4-D-tolerant cotton/soybeans in Georgia, **growers will be required to attend the training “Using Pesticides Wisely”**. The training will focus on helping applicators/growers make wise decisions when applying not only 2,4-D and dicamba but all pesticides. *Growers are strongly encouraged to bring their applicators with them.* Attendance is suggested for all on farm applicators to confirm that they have been provided the best management practices when applying all pesticides.

Growers who attended 2015 or 2016 trainings, as long as they registered, are not required to attend the meeting again. However, they are welcome to attend as many times as they like. The trainings have resulted in 1499 Georgia growers completing the required training. A survey conducted of these trainings noted 99% of growers felt the training was worth their time and 98% of them believed the training would help them increase on-target pesticide applications. If you have questions concerning your registration, please contact your local county extension office.

For growers who have not attended this training, **options for 2017 are provided below**. Select a time/location and **RSVP, at least 2 days in advance**, to the specific location for attendance. The required trainings will cover a 2 to 2.5 hr time period and will provide pesticide credit. Snacks and drinks will be provided (no meal).

East GA. February 2, 2017

Date: Feb 2 **Time:** 3 pm
Location: Screven Co.; UGA Extension Office
Address: 321 Rocky Ford Rd; Sylvania, GA 30467
RSVP: 912-564-2064
Agent: Ray Hicks

South East GA. February 13, 2017

Date: Feb 13 **Time:** 9 am
Location: Pierce Co.; UGA Extension Office
Address: 705 College Ave.; Blackshear, GA 31516
RSVP: 912-449-2034
Agent: James Jacob

South West GA. February 15, 2017

Date: Feb 15 **Time:** 1 pm
Location: Miller Co.; Moby Dick Restaurant
Address: 200 Martha Berry Hwy; Colquitt, GA 39837
RSVP: 229-758-4106
Agent: Brock Ward

South Central GA. February 17, 2017

Date: Feb 17 **Time:** 9 am
Location: Houston Co. Extension Office
Address: 801 Main Street; Perry, GA 31069
RSVP: 478-987-2028 or uge2153a@uga.edu
Agent: Charlotte Meeks

NW Georgia. March 7, 2017

Date: March 7 **Time:** 1 pm
Location: Bartow Co.; Olin Tatum Ag Bldg.
Address: 320 W. Cherokee Ave.; Cartersville, GA 30120
RSVP: 770-387-5142 or uge1015@uga.edu
Agent: Paul Pugliese

NE Georgia. March 14, 2017

Date: March 14 **Time:** 1:30 pm
Location: Elbert Co.; UGA Extension Office
Address: 1088 Ruckersville Road; Elberton, GA 30635
RSVP: 706-283-2037
Agent: Patrick Marcellino