GDA Releases Guidance Regarding Structural Pest Control Technician Registrations

Atlanta, Georgia (March 25, 2020) - Due to recent events relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, Commissioner Gary Black and the Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission (SPCC) have determined that new guidance policy is needed to ensure a sufficient number of pest control technicians are available and authorized to provide pest management services.

This guidance will allow GDA to issue a temporary employee (technician) registration while the Georgia pest examination centers are closed.

Temporary Technician Registrations:

- The pre-examination training requirements must be met and the SPCC Pre-Examination Training Form
 must be completed and submitted to pest@agr.georgia.gov. Notice 18-01: Pre-Examination Training Form.
- The Designated Certified Operator (DCO) must complete the online application for a new employee registration and pay the required fee, <u>Application for Employee Registration</u>. If the examination is not available, DCO should select "COVID-19 Examination Waiver" on the application. Please note that only **online** applications will be accepted for temporary employee registrations.
- Technicians holding a Temporary Employee Registration must take and pass the state employee registration examination by September 30, 2020.

This guidance will remain in effect until further notice.

Please direct any questions to the GDA's Division of Structural Pest Control by calling (404) 656-3641 or email pest@agr.georgia.gov.

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