

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

2017 Northeast Ohio Commercial Fertilizer Application Certification Sessions

Due to Ohio's new legislation, any farmer who applies commercial fertilizer to 50 or more acres must attend a fertilizer certification class no later than September 30, 2017. The OSU Extension offices in northeast Ohio will be offering 3 hour certification sessions monthly in 2017 so that producers may obtain their certification. Farmers (from any county) are welcome to attend the session which fits their schedule best.

Who needs a fertilizer certification?

Fertilizer certification is required if you apply fertilizer (other than manure) to more than 50 acres used for agricultural production grown primarily for sale. If you have the co-op or other custom applicator make your fertilizer applications, you do not need the certification.

What fertilizer is included in the certification?

Fertilizer is any substance containing nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, or other plant nutrient in a dry or liquid formulation. All application types (broadcast, side dress, sub-surface, knifing, etc.) are included in the certification requirement. The only application exempted is start-up fertilizers that are applied through a planter. Lime and limestone are not considered fertilizers in the certification process.

Who is exempt from the training requirement?

Applicators who are a Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) or Ohio Certified Livestock Manager (CLM) are not required to attend training to become certified for fertilizer applications. They, however, must register with the Ohio Department of Agriculture.



When do I need the certification?

The certification must be obtained by September 30, 2017.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
January 13	Williamsfield Community Center	1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
January 27	Geauga County Extension Office	1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
February 8	Trumbull County Extension Office	1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
March 21	Ashtabula County Extension Office	6:00 to 9:00 p.m.
April 12	Geauga County Extension Office	1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
May 10	Trumbull County Extension Office	6:00 to 9:00 p.m.
June 14	Ashtabula County Extension Office	9:00 to 12:00 noon
August 17	Trumbull County Field Day (location TBD)	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
September 14	Geauga County Extension Office	1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

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There is no registration fee to attend. However, pre-registration is required as only 40 persons can attend each session. All registrations will be handled through the Geauga County Extension office. Mail the registration form to OSU Extension-Geauga County, PO Box 387, Burton, Ohio 44021 or call the Geauga County Extension office at 440-834-4656.

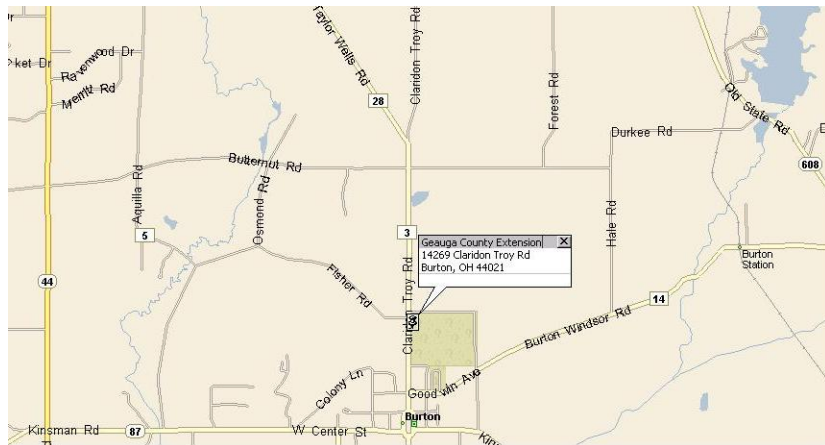
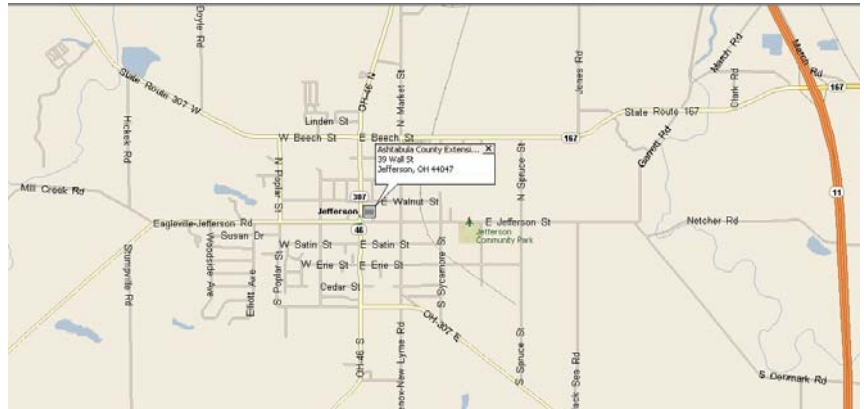
Name _____ County _____
Email address _____ Phone Number _____
Do you hold a Private or Commercial Pesticide Applicator's License? _____yes _____no
If yes, please include pesticide license number _____

Session I will be attending (check choice):

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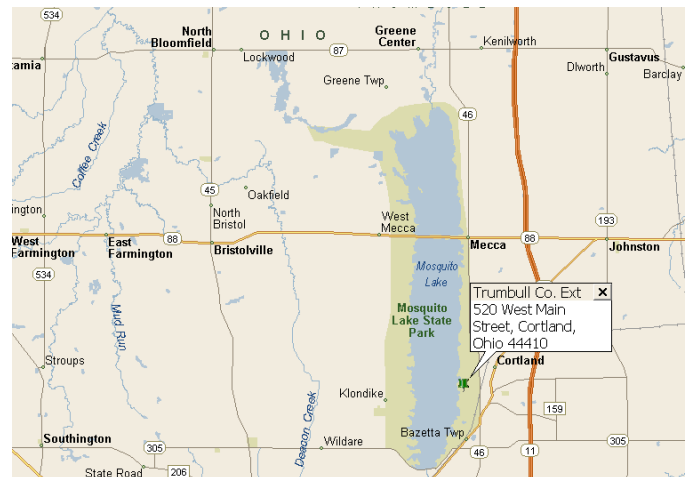
Addresses & Maps to Locations

Ashtabula County Extension Office
 39 Wall Street, Jefferson, Ohio 44047
 440-576-9008
<http://ashtabula.osu.edu>



Geauga County Extension
 14269 Claridon-Troy Road, Burton, Ohio 44021
 440-834-4656
<http://geauga.osu.edu>

Trumbull County Extension Office
 520 West Main Street, Cortland, Ohio 44410
 330-638-6783
<http://trumbull.osu.edu>



Williamsfield Community Center
 5920 State Route 322, Williamsfield, Ohio 44093

