Colorado Department of Agriculture is proud to announce that two new online services are now available to those needing a Private Pesticide Applicator (PPA) license.

PPA Exam

Those wishing to receive a PPA license may choose between a mail-in test and a new online exam. The online version is available at www.cppatesting.com. Those taking the test may exit and re-enter the exam at any time during a 30 day period. The manual can also be downloaded and printed for future reference.

“Last year, over 2,200 people took the Private Pesticide Applicator License test and we are thrilled to be able to offer a flexible, convenient, and secure alternative to the mail-in exam,” said Laura Pottorff, CDA’s pesticide applicator coordinator.

License Payment

The second feature now available is an online payment option for the test and license. Fees include $20 for the exam and $75 for a three year license. After the initial exam with CDA, licensees may renew online for $75. PPA fees may be paid at www.colorado.gov/ag/dpi.

All persons in the state who use pesticides are regulated by the Colorado Department of Agriculture. The goals of the Pesticide Applicator Program are to ensure that private and commercial pesticide applicators have the requisite knowledge to handle and apply pesticides, and to ensure that pesticides are applied in a manner which reduces unnecessary associated hazards. To meet the goals of the program, the Department conducts exams, issues licenses, and requires technician training and continuing education.

The program covers the certification of private pesticide applicators that use restricted use pesticides, commercial applicators, and some businesses and public agencies that do their own pesticide applications.

For more information, visit www.colorado.gov/ag/dpi and click on “Pesticide Applicator Program.”