

BY adding to

Article - Agriculture
 Section 5-210.3
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (1974 Volume and 1984 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Agriculture

5-207.

(a) Each custom applicator, pest control consultant, pest control applicator, and public agency applicator shall obtain an annual certificate indicating competence in one or more established categories from the Secretary. Each private applicator shall obtain a certificate which shall require periodic renewal as determined by the Secretary.

(b) Each application for a certificate by a pest control consultant, pest control applicator, and custom applicator shall be accompanied by a \$50 certificate fee plus \$25 for each category in excess of one. Each application for a private applicator's certificate shall be accompanied by a fee to be set by the Secretary, but not to exceed \$7.

(c) Each applicant for a pest control consultant certificate, pest control applicator certificate, or custom applicator certificate shall demonstrate his competence to use and apply pesticides safely in the State by passing a written examination prepared and administered by the Department; there shall be no charge for an initial examination, provided that pest control applicators, pest control consultants and custom applicators shall pay \$10 for each category of examination after the initial examination. Private applicators shall pass an examination or satisfactorily complete a training program approved by the Department.

~~(D)--EACH--APPLICANT---FOR---A---PEST---CONTROL---CONSULTANT
 CERTIFICATE,--PEST--CONTROL--APPLICATOR--CERTIFICATE,--OR--CUSTOM
 APPLICATOR--CERTIFICATE--SHALL--HAVE--AN--ANNUAL--PHYSICAL--EXAMINATION
 BY--A--LICENSED--PHYSICIAN--AS--A--CONDITION--OF--OBTAINING--THE--ANNUAL
 CERTIFICATE--OF--COMPETENCE--PROVIDED--FOR--IN--SUBSECTION--(A)--OF--THIS
 SECTION.~~

{(d)} (E) Each certificate shall be renewed upon payment of the certificate fee, {and} demonstration of satisfactory knowledge of pesticide use, ~~AND--CERTIFICATION--OF--PHYSICAL
 EXAMINATION--FROM--A--LICENSED--PHYSICIAN.~~

{(e)} (F) Every place of business engaged in custom application, pest control application, and pest control