

(1) Submit to the Department an application on the form the Department requires; and

(2) Pay to the Department the certification fee stated in § 8-806 of this subtitle.

(b) The Department shall certify any individual who:

(1) Meets the requirements of this subtitle;

(2) Meets the Department's educational requirements, including a program on the proper application of nutrients;

(3) Passes a Department approved examination; and

(4) (i) Is employed by a person licensed under this subtitle; or

(ii) Holds a license as required by this subtitle.

(c) To apply for a license an applicant shall:

(1) Submit to the Department an application on the form the Department requires; and

(2) Pay to the Department the applicable license fee stated in § 8-806 of this subtitle.

(d) The Department shall license a person who meets the requirements of this subtitle.

(e) A certificate or license is issued for 1 year unless the certificate or license is renewed as provided by this subtitle.

(f) The Department shall renew the certificate or license of any applicant for [an additional 1-year] A 3-YEAR term if the applicant:

(1) Submits a renewal application on the form that the Department requires;

(2) Pays to the Department the applicable fee stated in § 8-806 of this subtitle;

(3) Complies with applicable continuing education requirements;

(4) Complies with applicable record keeping and reporting requirements; and

(5) Otherwise is entitled to be certified or licensed.

(G) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ISSUE A FARM OPERATOR'S PLAN DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE TO A PERSON OPERATING A FARM FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THAT PERSON'S OWN NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN. THE CERTIFICATE IS VALID PROVIDED THE PERSON OPERATING THE FARM: