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Important Notice: Changes to Category 3A Only and Category 3B Only Pesticide Applicators and Technicians

Pesticide Applicators and Technicians Certified in Category 3A Only or Category 3B Only will Transition to a 3-Year Certification Cycle and a \$450 Certification Fee

Article 33 of the Environmental Conservation Law (ECL) has recently been amended as part of the 2018 New York State Budget. These amendments have effected a change to those people certified or getting certified in category 3A only or category 3B only. As of April 1, 2018, anyone currently certified in category 3A only or category 3B only will transition to the new cycle and fee. Anyone taking the exam to become a category 3A only or category 3B only will need to pay the new \$450 fee and receive an ID card good for 3 years.

See information regarding the [transition to the new fee and cycle](#) (opens as a PDF).

Questions about these changes can be directed to the Pesticide Reporting & Certification Section at 518-402-8748 or pestmgt@dec.ny.gov.