

What are Green Industries Best Management Practices?

GI-BMPs teach environmentally safe landscaping practices that help conserve and protect Florida's ground and surface waters and natural resources. This science-based educational program for Green Industry professionals is brought to you by the UF/IFAS Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ program and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.



Where can I find GI-BMP training?

Training classes in English and Spanish are held at Extension offices and other locations around the state. Training is also available on DVD or online. For schedules and more information, visit <http://gibmp.ifas.ufl.edu>



Is GI-BMP Training Mandatory?

YES! Florida law states that all commercial fertilizer applicators must have a certificate from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) by January 1, 2014 (s. 482.1562, F.S.). To get this certificate, each commercial applicator must be trained in the GI-BMPs and receive a certificate of completion from UF/IFAS and FDEP. Local ordinances may require this certification sooner, or require that non-commercial applicators also be trained. So don't delay, get certified today!

Who benefits from GI-BMP training?

- Supervisors and employees in the lawn care, pest control, or landscape industries
- Municipal parks and recreation facility supervisors and employees
- Irrigation industry workers
- Commercial property managers
- City and county planning department staff
- City and county environmental department or water quality staff
- City and county commission staff
- Builders and developers
- Landscape designers and architects
- Golf course employees
- Anyone working in the areas of water quality, urban development, or environmental issues

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