

AN ACT concerning safety.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Illinois Pesticide Act is amended by changing Section 9 as follows:

(415 ILCS 60/9) (from Ch. 5, par. 809)

Sec. 9. Licenses and Pesticide Dealer Registrations Requirements; Certification. Licenses and pesticide dealer registrations issued pursuant to this Act shall be valid for one year, except that private applicator licenses shall be valid for 3 years. All licenses and pesticide dealer registrations shall expire on December 31 of the year in which it is to expire. A license or pesticide dealer registration in effect on the 31st of December, for which renewal has been made within 60 days following the date of expiration, shall continue in full force and effect until the Director notifies the applicant that renewal has been approved and accepted or is to be denied in accordance with this Act. The Director shall not issue a license or pesticide dealer registration to a first time applicant or to a person who has not made application for renewal on or before March 1 following the expiration date of the license or pesticide dealer registration until such applicant or person has been certified by the Director as

having successfully demonstrated competence and knowledge regarding pesticide use. The Director shall issue a license or pesticide dealer registration to a person that made application after March 1 and before April 15 if that application is accompanied by a late application fee. A licensee or pesticide dealer shall be required to be recertified for competence and knowledge regarding pesticide use at least once every 3 years and at such other times as deemed necessary by the Director to assure a continued level of competence and ability. The Director shall by regulation specify the standard of qualification for certification and the manner of establishing an applicant's competence and knowledge. A certification shall remain valid only if an applicant attains licensure or pesticide dealer registration during the calendar year in which certification was granted and the licensure is maintained throughout the 3-year certification period. ~~An applicant who has been certified shall be required to apply for a license or pesticide dealer registration within 90 days after the date of such certification. Failure to apply for a license or pesticide dealer registration within such 90 day period shall void the certification.~~

The Director may refuse to issue a license or pesticide dealer registration based upon the violation history of the applicant.

(Source: P.A. 89-94, eff. 7-6-95; 90-205, eff. 1-1-98.)