



Irish Agricultural Supply Industry Standards

IASIS Continuous Professional Education (CPE) for Rodent Pest Management Trained Professional (Own Use Only)

Why Join the IASIS CPE Scheme for Trained Professional Users?

- All Department of Agriculture, Food & Marine (DAFM) registered Pest Management Trained Professional Users (PMUs), as part of their contract with DAFM, must have the required number of approved CPE Credits. The IASIS CPE Scheme for PMUs is an DAFM approved CPE Scheme.
- The IASIS Scheme is a local CPE scheme tailored to the requirements of Irish legislation and local Pest Management Industry needs.
- The IASIS Website 'Members Area' provides a convenient method of tracking your CPE credits throughout the year. IASIS submits the list of CPE records to DAFM annually for IASIS members.
- The IASIS CPE Scheme for PMUs is cost effective.
- Required annual CPE credits can be obtained in less than a half day.

What is IASIS: IASIS is a not for profit company established to raise standards in the storage, distribution and use of pesticides (plant protection products, rodenticides, insecticides etc.). It is managed by a Board elected by its members which include the three pest management industry representative organisations – IPCA, BPCA and NPTA - as members. IASIS is a QQI (Quality and Qualifications Ireland) registered course provider and a LANTRA registered course provider.

What is CPE: CPE is a continuous process by which registered pest management users maintain and develop the skills, knowledge and competencies they had at time of registration and that are relevant to their professional work. Through participation in an approved CPE Scheme, Trained Professional Users are kept abreast of new technical developments, of research and monitoring results and of changes in regulatory requirements for the industry.



How does the IASIS CPE Scheme work: IASIS allocates credits to particular events and courses in accordance with rules approved by DAFM. IASIS tracks the credits earned by each individual member and provides a report annually to DAFM. Individuals who have accumulated the required number of credits retain registration as a PMU.

What are the main features of the IASIS CPE Scheme for PMUs:

1. The required number of annual credits is 25 and can be obtained in less than a half day.
2. If a sufficient number of credits are not earned in a particular year, the deficit can be made up in the following year.
3. Each individual is responsible for signing the attendance sheet at events or courses that attract IASIS CPE credits.
4. Membership fees can be paid on-line via the IASIS website www.IASIS.ie

How are IASIS CPE Credits allocated:

1. A minimum for 20 credits must be obtained in topics relating to an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach to pest management, in mentoring of candidates for registration as a PMU and in other relevant topics.
2. The balance (5 credits) can be obtained through attendance at relevant demonstrations, though home study or through reading trade magazines.
3. The IASIS CPE Credit Allocation Table for PMUs (Own Use Only) is provided hereunder.



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**IASIS 2018 CPE CREDIT ALLOCATION TABLE
FOR RODENT PEST MANAGEMENT TRAINED PROFESSIONAL USERS (PMUS OWN USE)**

Courses and Events/ Conferences *	Credit Allocation	Required / Permitted Credits
All topics relating to IPM and the responsible use of rodenticides as reflected in the CRRU Ireland Best Practice Requirements for Rodent Control and Safe Use of Rodenticides (i.e. selection and application of rodent pest management measures based upon an integrated pest management approach; risk assessment, risk reduction; environmental protection; human and animal safety; transport; storage; record keeping and legislation)	5 A credits / 30 minutes	Minimum of 20 / year
General pest management courses (includes economic analysis, business planning and strategy, technological developments, and new products)	3.5 A credits / 30 minutes	
Other relevant meetings, events, demonstration not covered in any of above relevant to the work of a PMU (CPE credits allowed on a case by case basis)	3.5 A credits / 30 minutes but Max 7 A credits / year	
Shows and demonstrations & other events relevant to the work of a pest management trained professional user (PMU)	3.5 C credits / half day	Maximum of 7 / year
Home Study		
(a) Membership of relevant technical or professional organizations	2 C credits / organization / year	Maximum of 4 / year
(b) Specific or subscription based focused publications relevant to pest management [e.g. Pest Magazine, PestXpert, Pest Solutions, etc.]	2.5 C credits / series	Maximum of 5 / year
(c) In receipt of technical material deemed credit worthy by IASIS for which you are on a registered contact list	5 C Credits / list	Maximum of 5 / year

Minimum Credits Required for PMUs that only provide rodent pest management services = 25 credits but with a minimum of 20 A credits / year

* Credits are not granted for discussion periods

How to join the IASIS CPE Scheme for PMUs

To join the IASIS CPE Scheme for PMUs please go to the IASIS website:
www.iasis.ie and click **JOIN IASIS** tab on the home page.

Full details of the PMU CPE Scheme are available at:
<http://www.iasis.ie/PestControl/PMUTrainedProUser.aspx>



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