

Course	Location	Cost *
<p>Legal Stage 1 (Pre-requisite to Legal stage 2 and 3) Stage 1 introduces and provides an interpretation of the Act (how the law is made, introduction to the Act and Regulations, powers of inspectors, elements of offences).</p>	Assignment based, available anytime	\$135
<p>Recognising Grasses (RTC2016A) One day workshop Designed to help people recognise common weedy, native and desirable introduced grasses within an area and understand what they may indicate about the environment and management of a site. Participants will develop the skills and knowledge to recognise 16-20 grasses using only a few features and collect useful samples for identification.</p>	1 March Armidale 5 April Mudgee 20 April Grafton 19 October Moree 10 November Berry 1 December Cooma	\$225
<p>Identifying Grasses (RTC5011A) One day workshop Designed to extend participants' knowledge and skills beyond the basic recognition and collection techniques developed in the Recognising Grasses workshop. It is suitable for officers who wish to identify grasses anywhere in NSW using botanical keys and/or be able to develop a professional quality reference herbarium. Recognising Grasses is a pre-requisite for this course.</p>	2 March Armidale 6 April Mudgee 21 April Grafton 20 October Moree 11 November Berry 2 December Cooma	\$295 fee includes Grasses of NSW & hand lens
<p>What does your garden grow – Trainer A trainer-the-trainer course to equip weeds professionals to educate their community how weeds spread; how to manage weeds in their garden and the importance of growing less weedy plants for the benefits of the environment.</p>	22 February Coffs Harbour 29 March Blue Mountains	\$210
<p>What pesky plant is that?- Trainer Plant Identification is a key step in the control of weeds and the protection of valuable native flora. This all new hands-on workshop aims to develop skills in plant identification by utilising the Environmental Weeds of Australia DVD. This DVD is another tool in the plant identification kitbag and can assist in accessing information on more than 1000 environmental weeds.</p>	23 February Coffs Harbour 30 March Blue Mountains	\$210 Plus \$55 DVD
<p>Photography for field officers <i>NEW course for 2011</i> One day workshop Designed for people required to take digital photographs in the undertaking of their work duties. The course will help people understand the functionality of their digital cameras leading to better quality photographs and the type of photos required for plant identification, vegetation assessment and compliance matters</p>	7 April Tocal 17 May Sydney 19 May Orange 24 May Dubbo 26 May Tamworth 28 June Coffs Harbour 30 June Grafton 5 July Wagga Wagga 7 July Queanbeyan	\$280
<p>Vegetation Survey and Assessment (RTC5519A) This course is designed for land managers looking to accurately define the scale of a weed problem and determine its impact on the surrounding vegetation.</p>	14-15 April Coffs Harbour 6-7 September Wagga Wagga 12-13 October Queanbeyan	\$370
<p>Weed Officer Induction The Weeds Officer Induction Program provides recently employed staff with a well rounded appreciation of their roles and responsibilities, as well as familiarising them with the support network available within the weeds industry. To compliment the Induction Training, Legal Training for Weeds Officers – Stage Two is included in this course.</p>	9-10 May Dubbo (induction) 11-13 May (Legal 2) To be confirmed	\$330 this fee includes Legal Stage 2

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<p>Performance Management and MERI Training (BSBSBM405A, RTD5405A) This 2 day course is designed to understand management of projects and to meet the Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Improvement requirements for outcomes based projects. The workshop will provide participants with the skills and knowledge to develop a MERI plan. This course is suited to project managers who submit and manage WAP or CFOC funded projects.</p>	7-8 June Tocal (near Maitland) More courses on demand	\$380
<p>Legal Stage 2 (PSPREG401A and PSPREG405B) Stage 2 studies powers and responsibilities of inspectors and offences under the Act (interpreting legislation, understanding inspector's powers, points of proof, elements of offences, gathering and managing evidence, interview techniques). (Legal 1 must be completed prior to Legal 2)</p>	20-22 June Orange To be confirmed	\$780
<p>Legal Stage 3 (PSPREG410B) Stage 3 brings the Officer and their prepared case into a courtroom to be cross examined (preparation for court proceedings, presentation of evidence, outcomes of proceedings).</p>	23-24 June Orange To be confirmed	\$780
<p>Planning for Pest Management (RTD5401A, RTD5402A RTD5403A) Two day workshop (<i>Also run as an external study option</i>) This course is designed for people interested in developing a plan to manage weeds or vertebrate pests in their region. It outlines the three step process of developing a regional plan for pest management: define the pest problem; develop a regional plan to manage the pest; and outline a monitoring system for the plan. This course is suitable for officers involved with either weeds or vertebrate pests.</p>	16-17 August Tocal 24-25 August Coffs Harbour 13-14 September Dubbo 25-26 October Wagga Wagga External study option	\$380 \$175
<p>Weed Risk Management (BSBCMN416A) This course covers the WRM system developed by NSW DPI. The NSW WRM system provides a standard, nationally accepted and transparent process to help make decisions about the introduction, declaration and prioritisation of weed species.</p>	August Orange August Grafton September Dubbo	\$220
<p>Weed Movement, Machinery Inspection and Cleaning (RTD2312A, RTD2313A) One day workshop Designed for people working with plant and machinery and provides an understanding of the threat of weeds, identification of weeds, and ways to reduce the risk of spreading weeds. Participants will be required to formally inspect machinery for material that may contribute to the spread of weeds, pests or disease. The course also covers options for the best location and equipment needed for cleaning machinery and plant.</p>	16 Mar Wagga 18 Mar Dubbo 12 April Moree 3 May Grafton 5 May Tamworth	\$365 OR Trainer the trainer course \$230
<p>Recognising Water Weeds (RTC2016A) This course is designed for people interested in acquiring practical skills to recognise aquatic weeds. Focusing on distinguishing features of aquatic plants, impacts on the environment, methods of spread and details survey protocols for early detection. This is a hands-on course using live plant specimens.</p>	Venues and dates TBA	\$280



Industry & Investment



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<p>SMARTtrain AQFIII Chemical Application (RTC3704A, RTC3705A, RTC2701A)</p> <p>A two-day course for those who use pesticides with powered and hand-held application equipment. The course meets the minimum requirements for training commercial users of pesticides as specified in the NSW Pesticides Act 1999 as well as training for those using and exposed to hazardous substances under the NSW OHS Regulation 2001.</p> <p>The training covers the safe transport, handling and disposal of chemicals, decontaminating equipment and disposing of chemical containers. Participants will learn how to use different types of chemical application equipment safely and efficiently.</p>	Yanco	1 February	\$365
	Total	22 February	
	Richmond	25 February	
	Camden	8 March	
	Wollongbar	8 March	
	Camden	28 May	
	Wagga Wagga	31 May	
	Tamworth	7 June	
	Camden	21 June	
	Grafton	26 July	
	Narrabri	2 August	
	Yanco	9 August	
	Camden	16 August	
	Total	11 October	
	Camden	22 October	
	Tamworth	1 November	
Yanco	16 November		
Camden	6 December		
<p>SMARTtrain AQFIII Chemical Application – reaccreditation</p> <p>Required every five years for holders of SMARTtrain III</p> <p>A one-day course for people who have previously been accredited in an AQFIII chemical application course such as SMARTtrain or a similar course, includes SMARTtrain® card issue</p>	Yanco	2 February	\$290
	Wollongbar	8 March	
	Camden	9 March	
	Total	15 March	
	Camden	2 9 May	
	Wagga Wagga	1 June	
	Camden	22 June	
	Grafton	26 July	
	Narrabri	2 August	
	Yanco	10 August	
	Camden	17 August	
	Camden	23 October	
	Total	8 November	
	Yanco	17 November	
Camden	7 December		
<p>SMARTtrain AQFIV Chemical Risk Management Accreditation / Reaccreditation (RTC4701A, RTC4702A, RTC4703A)</p> <p>This one-and-a-half-day course trains and reaccredits those who supervise employees using substances classified as hazardous. The course is also suitable for all those who make decisions about the application of chemicals.</p> <p>The course focuses on managing risks associated with transporting, storing, mixing, loading, applying and disposing of chemicals.</p> <p>Includes SMARTtrain® card issue. SMARTtrain® AQFIII is a prerequisite for SMARTtrain® AQFIV</p>	Yanco	3 February	\$335
	Wollongbar	10 March	
	Total	22 March	
	Camden	29 March	
	Wagga Wagga	2 June	
	Tamworth	9 June	
	Camden	28 June	
	Total	26 July	
	Grafton	28 July	
	Narrabri	4 August	
	Yanco	11 August	
	Camden	27 September	
	Wagga Wagga	2 November	
	Tamworth	3 November	
	Camden	29 November	

<p>SMARTtrain AQFV (RTC5701A, RTC5702A) This three day course is for weeds managers to develop and manage a chemical use strategy. It covers a range of management strategies and is delivered by technical experts in the weeds management field.</p> <p>Pre-requisite for this course is prior completion of SMARTtrain AQF4 Chemical Risk Management (or equivalent). SMARTtrain is prepared to conduct an AQF4 course on the day preceding the first day of the AQF5 course. Some pre-course reading and preparation would be required. The cost of this course would be \$195 (this is an additional cost).</p>	<p>Dates and venues TBA</p>	<p>\$350</p>
<p>Off-road Four Wheel Drive (4X4) training (MNMEGS312A) A two-day course for basic and intermediate users of 4X4 vehicles. It covers: operation in off-road and adverse conditions, including water crossings; pre-start checks; operating vehicles on or across a slope; ascending and descending a steep slope, including stall recovery; operating a jack; operating the vehicle in rugged terrain; and recovery using snatch block, snatch strap and winch.</p>	<p>Armidale 16 February Yanco 16 February Bingara 23 February Camden 10 March Armidale 23 March Yanco 13 April Grafton 28 April Walgett 10 May Walgett 12 May Tocal 18 May Bingara 15 June Grafton 29 June Yanco 13 July Camden 14 July Tamworth 10 August Grafton 31 August Deniliquin 6 September Camden 20 October Tamworth 16 November Grafton 28 November Deniliquin 6 December</p>	<p>\$480</p>
<p>All Terrain Vehicles (ATV) Handling (RTE2308A) A one-and-a-half-day practical introduction to safe and efficient riding skills under varying conditions for four-wheel all terrain vehicles. Covers both novice and advanced technical skills and riding strategies. Instruction on how to conduct basic maintenance checks included.</p>	<p>Tamworth 16 March Yanco 23 March Wollongbar 10 May Trangie 25 May Yanco 29 June Tamworth 24 August Yanco 5 October</p>	<p>\$455</p>

Other Weeds Courses held on demand		Cost #
Biological Control of Weeds (RTD3706A, RTD3707A) One day workshop including a field trip This course is designed for people interested in biological control of weeds. It covers the history of biological control in Australia and methods used. It concentrates on the practice behind site assessment, maintaining and releasing biological control agents and establishing a nursery site for biocontrol agents with a view to harvesting the agent.	Salvinia Bio Dates and venues TBA Bitou Bush Bio Dates and venues TBA	\$220
Blackberry Identification This one-day course is aimed at providing participants with the skill to use the CD-ROM for identifying blackberry. The importance of monitoring for effectiveness of rust and chemicals will be discussed. Subsidies may apply	Training held on demand. Courses run between November and January	\$320
Native Plant and Weed Look-alikes (RTC2016A) A one-day course on how to recognise and distinguish between common native plants and environmental weeds of coastal NSW. Includes copies of books <i>Native Plant or Weed?</i>	Training held on demand	\$220

* Cost is based on minimum course numbers. Course may be cancelled if insufficient numbers of enrolments occur.

Cost will vary on number of participants and the location training is held.

If you have specific training needs for your organisation, we can tailor training to meet your requirements.

FOR MORE INFORMATION on weeds training courses

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16th NSW Weeds Conference, Coffs Harbour

18 - 21 July 2011 at Pacific Bay Conference Centre, Coffs Harbour.

Please note the dates in your diaries.