

## SUMMARY OF ASPCRO REVIEW OF EXISTING GREEN PEST MANAGEMENT CREDENTIALING PROGRAMS

This table provides a summary of the review of existing, published green pest management credentialing programs that are available to pest management companies. This information is provided so that state regulatory agencies can compare certain features of these programs. No endorsement or criticism of these programs is intended or implied. These summaries were prepared by the Green Pest Management Committee of the Association of Structural Pest Control Regulatory Officials. The complete summaries are available at [www.aspcro.org](http://www.aspcro.org). If you would like to have ASPCRO review another green pest management credentialing program, contact the committee chair.

Program	Criteria for implementing “Green” pest management	Administrative Components	Enforcement /Regulatory Components	ASPCRO Comments
<b>Green Pro</b>  offered by National Pest Management Association <a href="http://www.npmagreenpro.org/">http://www.npmagreenpro.org/</a>	Defined in manual as set of practices that include development and implementation of IPM, documentation of monitoring and non-chemical approaches, documentation of treatments used, documentation of “exceptions” to treatment standard. Use of baits, crack and crevice, spot treatments is standard for pesticide treatments. Certain methods prohibited as part of “green” treatments – non-block rodent baits in bait stations, fogging or broadcast sprays, perimeter sprays.	Certification of pest management companies is provided by NPMA via Quality Pro program, requires membership in Quality Pro, training and testing of technicians, filing a written commitment to Green Pro service standard, submission of audits including providing records to independent auditor.	Independent auditor hired by advisory committee. Paper audits of all companies in first year consisting of 15% of branches (up to 30 total). 20% of companies will be field audited each year. Deficiencies identified allowed to be corrected. Disqualification if not corrected.	Funded by fees collected from participants. Not limited geographically.
<b>Green Shield</b>  offered by IPM Institute of North America  <a href="http://www.greenshieldcertified.org/">http://www.greenshieldcertified.org/</a>	Defined as the application of IPM and advanced IPM, with criteria established for approaches to pest management using corrective measures to reduce conducive conditions. Requires use of “least toxic” pesticides when pesticides are used. Certain pest management methods are prohibited – fogging, baseboard treatments, residual pesticides used inside buildings, and restrictions on baits and rodenticides. IPM plan must be in writing.	IPM Institute administers program and credentials pest management companies or dedicated portions of companies, conducts initial and follow up evaluations and makes recommendations for improvements. Training of staff, documentation of pest management methods and pest problems required.	IPM Institute determines compliance with program. No provision for removing credential if criteria are not met.	Funded by fees collected by participants. Not limited geographically.
<b>Eco Wise</b>  offered by Bay Area Council of Governments, San Francisco, California <a href="http://www.ecowisecertified.org/">http://www.ecowisecertified.org/</a>	Defined as prevention based pest control using corrective measures to reduce conducive conditions, and minimizing use of pesticides. Pesticide applications based on pest presence, only applied as directed treatment to voids and inaccessible areas, crack or crevice treatments, or spot treatments to exterior, contained in bait stations, with no fogging and no exterior perimeter treatments allowed. Written IPM protocol required. A Program Materials List is established.	Candidates for this program must document 20 IPM service visits in at least 7 different customer sites within one year of application. Eco Wise reviews records and performs field evaluations and determines if certification requirements are met. Certification is granted to companies who employ at least one Eco Wise Certified IPM practitioner who supervises the Certified IPM Service. 15 hours of IPM CEUs required every 3 years.	Eco Wise determines compliance with program. A notification of non-compliance can be issued, and denial of certification can be issued, with opportunities for reapplication.	Limited to pest management firms in California. Funded by state funds.
<b>CPCO Green Manual for</b>	Defined as use of IPM and minimization of pesticide application by using mechanical exclusion, “lowest toxicity” pesticides,	The CPCO Green Manual provides a presenter with information to discuss certain pest control related	There is no initial or ongoing audit or review component to	This program is designed to be a training aid for

<p><b>Pest Control Companies</b></p> <p>offered by</p> <p>Certified Pest Control Operators of Florida  <a href="http://www.cpcofflorida.org/">http://www.cpcofflorida.org/</a></p>	<p>sanitation, and non-pesticidal control methods such as traps, as well as policies that promote energy efficiency. Provides information on different approaches to pest control and ways to minimize pesticide exposure, but does not establish a specific standard to be met to be considered conducting green pest management.</p>	<p>topics (e.g., labels, calibration, vehicle maintenance, policy, development, public relations, etc.) with technicians. It provides recommendations for companies on how to operate in a more energy efficient manner and how to reduce the use of and exposure to pesticides, and advocates adoption of company policies to accomplish these, but does not establish a minimum. This program does discuss many of the components of Green Pest Management but does not establish verifiable, measurable benchmarks.</p>	<p>validate the use of green pest management practices by a participating company. Companies may purchase the Certification booklet and use it to train staff. Companies may then advertise participation in the CPCO program. No credentials are issued.</p>	<p>technicians and a set of recommendations for pest management companies on how to operate in a more environmentally responsible manner. The Manual is only available to CPCO members. The program does not provide review compliance with these recommendations and therefore is not a credentialing program.</p>