

Technical Evaluation Record V3 Jan22



QUALIFICATION:	Pesticides – PA4G Granular Pesticide Applicators	Qualification Code:	0216-52 (Ind)				
		Units:	131				
Assessor Name:		Technical Verifier Name:					
Assessor No: NEW? DOB:		Technical Verifier No:					
Assessor Email:		Start Time:					
Invoice To: (Include Centre name if applicable)		End Time:					
CRITERIA: (Please refer to the following pages and current Qualification Guidance)		PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Circle):			JUSTIFICATION:		
M/C test paper to check PA1 knowledge and specific industry best practice <i>(new assessors only)</i>		1		4	5	5 = Pass with 20/20 4 = Pass with 18/20 or 19/20 1 = Fail	
Knowledge of H&S regulations and industry best practice. Carry out SSRA, COSHH and environmental assessment		1	2	3	4	5	
Knowledge of range of application equipment (including all controls and components)		1	2	3	4	5	
Knowledge of machine preparation and safe driving considerations		1	2	3	4	5	
Knowledge of operator protection, sealed cab/open platform and PPE requirements and standards		1	2	3	4	5	
Interpretation of application guidance charts		1	2	3	4	5	
Interpretation of two appropriate product labels		1	2	3	4	5	
Calibrate the applicator (without use of calibration sheet/aids).		1	2	3	4	5	
Complete calibration test paper		1		4	5		5 = Pass with 100% 4 = Pass with <100% 1 = Fail
Knowledge of methods to reduce off target application		1	2	3	4	5	
Measure and fill applicator. Carry out an application. Knowledge of site marking options		1	2	3	4	5	
Knowledge of cleaning/decontamination/disposals. Complete a treatment record		1	2	3	4	5	
Assessment techniques <i>(new assessors only)</i>		1	2	3	4	5	
PERFORMANCE EVALUATION COLUMN TOTALS:							= TOTAL SCORE:
Result of Technical Evaluation (tick):	MET	TOTAL SCORE REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE ASSESSOR STATUS: (NB. ACHIEVED IN PERFORMANCE EVALUATION COLUMNS 4 & 5 ONLY) <i>If an existing PA Assessor then please adjust total score required to 44</i>					52
	NOT MET						
ACTION PLAN FOR ASSESSOR:							
<i>Please continue on reverse if necessary</i>							
ASSESSOR COMMENTS:							
<i>Please continue on reverse if necessary</i>							
TECHNICAL VERIFIER SIGNATURE:						COST: £200 Half Day £300 Full Day	DATE:
ASSESSOR SIGNATURE:							

TECHNICAL EVALUATION RECORD

0216-52 L2 Award in the Safe Application of Pelleted or Granular Pesticides Using Mounted or Trailed Applicators (PA4)

Unit 131 Operating Mounted or Trailed Granular Pesticide Applicators (PA4G)

M/C test paper to check PA1 knowledge and specific industry best practice

- Minimum score of 18/20 achieved.
(Please note: this paper only needs to be completed by new PA assessors).

Knowledge of H&S regulations and industry best practice

Key principles and practical relevance:

- Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (HASAWA)
- Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 (MHSWR)
- Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations 1998 (PUWER)
- Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations 1992 (PPE Regs)
- Control Of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH)
- The Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1992
- Reporting of Injuries Diseases Dangerous Occurrence Regulations (RIDDOR)
- Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981
- Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000

- Sustainable Use (PPP) regulations
- Pesticides Code of Practice
- 2 sources of industry best practice
- Operator certification
- Risk assessments
- Condition and guarding of equipment

Carry out COSHH assessment

- Using template provided or an approved template

Carry out SSRA

- Assessor to complete a Site Specific Risk Assessment, using provided template.
- Header and footer.
- Hazards and controls relative to site, task and equipment.

Carry out environmental assessment

- Environmental risks to site identified
- Methods to minimise risks explained.
- Additional risks not identified on site, (that may occur in typical assessment situations) to be discussed.

Knowledge of a range of application equipment (including all controls and components)

Applicable to equipment used for the TE and questioning to cover knowledge of variations:

- Operating controls
- Applicator components
- Granule flow
- Air flow (if applicable)
- Operating differences between fixed forward speed and variable forward speed (rate controller) applicators

Knowledge of machine preparation and safe driving considerations

- Pre-use checks to prime mover
- Compatibility and security
- Safe driving
- Contact with obstacles (e.g. overhead power lines)

Knowledge of operator protection, sealed cab/open platform and PPE requirements and standards

- Operator protection – sealed cab
- Operator protection – open cab/canopy/platform
- Closed transfer systems
- CE and EN markings-relevance
- Coverall specifications -Type4/5/6
- Glove specification
- Face shield
- Boot specification
- RPE – types and reasons

Interpretation of application guidance charts

- Use of manufacturers handbook/application chart(s)

Interpretation of two appropriate product labels including reference to industry stewardship guidelines (where relevant)

- Product label 1
- Product label 2

Calibrate the applicator (without use of calibration sheet/aids).

- Calibration method 1 (carried out):
 - Required output
 - Amount of product for area

Complete calibration test paper

- Calibration test paper successfully completed
Note to TV: The assessor is expected to complete all the calibration test paper exercises. A marking sheet range has been produced to allow for variations in methods used and rounding up/down.

Knowledge of methods to reduce off target application

- Applicator levelled according to manufacturer's recommendations (if applicable)
- Applicator at correct height (if applicable)
- Correct settings of spreading/delivery mechanism
- Allowance for wind/slope
- Appropriate forward speed
- Accurate on/off

Carry out measuring of product

- Suitable site selected
- Correct PPE used
- Accurate measurement of granules
- Ability to use appropriate weigh scales
- Weight stated in kilograms
- Weight stated in grams
- Avoidance of spillage. Collection tray used

Carry out an application. Knowledge of site marking options

- Site marking options (to ensure accurate application)
- Safe and accurate application carried out
- Procedure for refilling during application

Knowledge of cleaning/decontamination/disposals

- Dealing with surplus granules
- Dealing with spillages
- Cleaning procedure explained
- Disposal of waste arising from cleaning
- Empty container/packaging, washing, storage and disposal (Crop Protection Association Best Practice Guide 'Container Cleaning' 2012)

Complete a treatment record

- Treatment record correctly completed

Assessment techniques

- Clear and concise questions/instructions
- Question/instruction relative to unit.
(Please note: this section only needs to be completed by new PA assessors).

Note: *If an existing PA assessor is adding this as a new unit, the M/C test paper and assessment technique sections do not need to be completed.*

Total score required (on front sheet) can be adjusted to 44.

The calibration test paper must be completed by all potential assessors.