

Course	Dates	Location	Cost ★
Legal Stage 1 (Pre-requisite to Legal stage 2 and 3) Non certificate course 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).	Will be available on-line in 2012 Assignment based, available anytime		\$135
Legal Stage 2 (PSPREG401C, PSPREG405B) 2-day workshop at Certificate IV level 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)	5-6 June 2012 ◆ offered once only per year	Canberra	\$780
Legal Stage 3 (PSPREG410B) 2-day workshop at Certificate IV level 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).	7-8 June 2012 ◆ offered once only per year	Canberra	\$780
Weed Officer Induction 3-day workshop at Certificate II level and Certificate III level 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. The workshop will cover 1 additional on-demand course from the list on page 5.	29-31 May 2012 ◆ offered once only per year	Camden	\$75
Weed Movement, Machinery Inspection and Cleaning (AHC BIO201A) 1-day workshop Certificate II level 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.	17 May 2012 TBA July 2012 TBA Aug 2012 TBA Aug 2012	Tamworth Berridale Yanco Mudgee AND OTHERS TBA	\$365 OR Trainer the trainer course \$230
Control Weeds 2-day workshop at Certificate III level (AHCPMG301A) Pilot course in this round - NEW course for 2012. The objective of the course is to lift the capacity of weed managers to effectively control weeds in a sustainable manner. Topics include: herbicide application techniques, adjuvants, spray drift, herbicide resistance, herbicide choices, planning, monitoring, weeds ID and ecology, aquatic and woody weeds.	17-18 April 2012 TBA Sept-Oct?	Tamworth Other locations to be organised following the Pilot Wagga Wagga	Pilot no charge \$ TBA
Photography for field officers NEW course in 2011 1-day non-Certificate workshop The workshop is 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.	19 April 2012 19 July 2012 TBA September TBA October	Orange Sydney Wagga Wagga Tamworth	\$280
Recognising Water Weeds (AHCPM201A, AHCILM202A) 1-day workshop at Certificate II level This workshop 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 to distinguish between native look-a-likes and noxious weeds	11 April 2012 13 April 2012	Wagga Wagga Sydney	\$315

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Recognising Grasses (AHPCPM201A, AHPCPM202A) 1-day workshop at Certificate II level 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 12-16 grasses using only a few features and collect useful samples for identification.	1 May 2012 3 October 16 October 14 November 20 November	Grafton Camden Dubbo Yanco Tamworth	\$225
Identifying Grasses (AHPCPM502A) 1-day workshop at Diploma level 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.	2 May 2012 4 October 17 October 15 November 21 November	Grafton Camden Dubbo Yanco Tamworth	\$295 fee includes Grasses of NSW & hand lens
Identifying Environmental Weeds (What pesky plant is that?) (AHPCPM502A) 1-day workshop at Diploma level Plant Identification is a key step in the control of weeds and the protection of valuable native flora. This 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.	16 May 2012 TBA August TBA September TBA October	Wagga Tamworth Camden TBA	\$225 Plus \$55 DVD
Vegetation Survey and Assessment (AHCNAR502A) 2-day workshop at Diploma level 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.	9-10 May 2012 7-8 October	Camden Grafton	\$370
Planning for Pest Management (AHCPMG502A, AHCPMG503A, AHCPMG504A) Diploma level 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.	Venues and dates TBA ♦ offered once only per year External study option		\$380 \$175
Weed Risk Management (BSBRK401A) 1-day workshop at Certificate IV level 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.	18th July 2012 ♦ offered once only per year	Sydney	\$225
Performance Management and MERI Training (AHCPMG505A) 2-day workshop at Diploma level This workshop is designed to lift understanding of project management and to meet the Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Improvement requirements for outcomes based projects. It 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.	Dates TBA in August 2012 ♦ offered once only per year	Paterson Tocal or Camden (depends on expressions of interest)	\$380

Course	Dates	Locations	Cost
SMARTtrain AQFIII Chemical Application - accreditation (AHCCHM303A, AHCCHM304A) A 2-day workshop 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. To register check PROFARM WEBSITE http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/profarm/courses/smarttrain3	6th Feb 2012 21st Feb 2012 6th Mar 2012 8th Mar 2012 27th Mar 2012 29th May 2012 5th Jun 2012 13th Jun 2012 21st Jun 2012 7th Aug 2012 8th Aug 2012 16th Oct 2012 4th Dec 2012	Yanco Paterson - Tocal Camden/Menangle Paterson - Tocal Wollongbar Camden/Menangle Tamworth Paterson – Tocal Camden/Menangle Cowra Paterson - Tocal Paterson - Tocal Paterson - Tocal	\$365
SMARTtrain AQFIII Chemical Application – re-accreditation Required every five years for holders of SMARTtrain III 1-day workshop for people who have previously been accredited in an AQFIII chemical application course such as SMARTtrain or a similar course, includes SMARTtrain® card issue	Check profarm website		\$290
SMARTtrain AQFIV For Weeds Program New Course (AHCCHM401A , AHCCHM402A) This course customises the AQF4 chemical competencies for weed professionals. Re-accreditation will be offered on day 1, for those already with AQF4. For those upgrading from AQF3, an extra half day is required. The practical session run on the afternoon of day 1 has been mapped against the AQF3 application equipment competency and this will be added to the statement of attainment for both re-accrediting and full course participants.	Check profarm website		\$335
SMARTtrain AQFIV Chemical Risk Management - accreditation (AHCCHM401A , AHCCHM402A) This 1 ½-day workshop trains and re-accredits those who supervise employees using substances classified as hazardous. The workshop is also suitable for all those who make decisions about the application of chemicals. Includes SMARTtrain® card issue. SMARTtrain® AQF3 is a prerequisite. To register CHECK PROFARM WEBSITE http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/profarm/Courses/smarttrain4	29th Mar 2012 27th Mar 2012 27th Mar 2012 6th Jun 2012 7th Jun 2012 20th Jun 2012 25th Jul 2012 28th Feb 2012	Yanco Wollongbar Paterson – Tocal Camden/Menangle Wagga Wagga Tamworth Camden/Menangle Paterson - Tocal)	\$335
SMARTtrain AQFIV Chemical Risk Management – re-accreditation This 1-day course trains and re-accredits 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. Includes SMARTtrain® card issue.	8th Feb 2012 22nd Mar 2012 27th Mar 2012 6th Jun 2012 7th Jun 2012 25th Jul 2012	Yanco Wollongbar Paterson – Tocal Wagga Wagga Tamworth Paterson - Tocal)	\$305
SMARTtrain AQF V Chemical Application (AHCCHM501A, AHCCHM501A) This 3-day workshop is for weeds managers and covers IPM, spraying aquatic and woody weeds, risk management, residues, spray drift, environmental risks, area wide weed management, preparing environmental weed permits and training and supervision. SMARTtrain® AQF4 is a prerequisite.	November 2012	Orange	\$350
Chainsaw - Fall trees manually - (basic), Chainsaw - Trim & cross-cut felled trees, Chainsaw operation and maintenance http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/profarm/	Check profarm website		



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Off-road Four Wheel Drive (4X4) (RIIVEH305A) 2-day workshop 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, including stall recovery; operating a jack; operating the vehicle in rugged terrain; and recovery using snatch block, snatch strap and winch. http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/profarm/	31st Jan 2012 5th Feb 2012 15th Feb 2012 16th Feb 2012 1st Mar 2012 13th Mar 2012 14th Mar 2012 18th Apr 2012 15th May 2012 16th May 2012 17th May 2012 23rd May 2012 13th Jun 2012 5th Jul 2012 11th Jul 2012 26th Jul 2012 13th Nov 2012	Deniliquin Deniliquin Armidale Deniliquin Camden/Menangle Paterson - Tocal Tamworth Yanco Deniliquin Armidale Deniliquin Paterson - Tocal Bingara Camden/Menangle Yanco Cowra Paterson – Tocal	\$480
Quad bike Handling (AHCMOM212A) Quad bike Handling (AHCMOM212A) A 1½-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. http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/profarm/	14th Mar 2012 21st Mar 2012 18th April 2012 10th May 2012 13th June 2012 21st June 2012 10th July 2012 11th Dec 2012	Yanco Tamworth Paterson - Tocal Camden / Menangle Yanco Narrabri Paterson Tocal Paterson Tocal	\$455
Advance Diploma in Conservation and Land Management	2012-2013	Anywhere in NSW	TBA*
Diploma in Conservation and Land Management	2012-2013	Anywhere in NSW	TBA
Certificate IV in Conservation and Land Management	2012-2013	Anywhere in NSW	TBA
Certificate III in Weed Management traineeship for new employees	2012	Anywhere in NSW	TBA

* Depends on Funding – To obtain subsidised courses we need to apply for each individual region.

Courses held on demand		Cost #
Biological Control of Weeds (AHCPMG303A, AHCPMG304A) 1-day workshop including a field trip at Certificate III level This workshop 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 bio-control agents with a view to harvesting the agent.	Salvinia Biocontrol Dates and venues TBA Mid north coast Far north coast South coast Camden 31 May 2012 (Part of Induction workshop)	\$315
What does your garden grow? – Train the Trainer 1-day workshop - Non-certificate 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.	Training held on demand Venues and dates TBA	\$225
Native Plant and Weed Look-alikes (AHCPM201A) A Certificate II level 1-day workshop 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 Perhaps Sydney, Wagga Dubbo	\$220
Paddock Plants <i>NEW course in 2011</i> This non certificate half to 1-day workshop involves a field walk with a district agronomist and/or senior weeds officer where different plants are identified and their importance and management discussed	Training held on demand	\$30-\$60
Vertebrate Pest Management (AHCVP306A, AHCPMG402A, AHCVP303A) The five-day workshop provides entry level training in vertebrate pest management for both agricultural protection and conservation. The course includes pest animal biology, behaviour and control. Participants will work through practical pest control issues, problem solving and control techniques. Participants are also instructed in the development of a pest animal management plan. Prioritised for Vertebrate Pest Authorised Control Officers.	26 -30th March 2012 , Paterson – Tocal	\$1485

- ★ Cost is based on minimum course numbers. Course may be cancelled if insufficient numbers of enrolments occur. Cost may vary in the second half of 2012.
- # Cost may vary on number of participants and the location training is held.

To register please email the [registration form](#) to: weeds.training@dpi.nsw.gov.au

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

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