



Urban Entomology

Termite University

Jan. 31-Feb. 1, 2024

Bost Extension Center, MSU Campus &
Redd Termite Training Facility, MS Horse Park

<http://extension.msstate.edu/content/termite-university>

Now also approved for Alabama, Tennessee, and Arkansas!

AL: Meeting ID 0009FB 10 credits (WDC, WDB, REG, D&R)

AR: Approved for all structural pest control categories (1, 2, 3, 7, and 8)

TN: Course Number TDA-116000 Prgm. C07, C08, C10, and C12 all 11 points

Termite University is a two-day short course that provides 10 hours of training focused on termites and termite control and is approved for recertification for the wood-destroying insect category (WDI License, Technician cards, Permit, or Category VIIA certificate) in Mississippi. This training is beneficial to both new and experienced technicians, as well as people preparing to take structural insect pests licensing or permit exams.

- The short course begins **10:00 AM, Wednesday, January 31**
- Day 2 resumes at **8:00 AM, Thursday, February 1**
- Training will end around 4:00 PM on Day 2
- Lunch will be provided each day.
- Coffee and drinks also provided at breaks
- Attendees receive: a Termite University cap, an iron-on Termite University patch, a USB drive loaded with relevant documents, a Termite University Training Certificate, and recertification in the wood-destroying insect category (if card expires within one year).

REGISTRATION IS OPEN.

To register, go to the Termite University website:

<http://extension.msstate.edu/content/termite-university> or use QR Code here.

Click on “Register Here” and complete the online registration form.

(Note that registration requires one to first create an MSU Extension Service Account—one time only.)

Termite University
Registration QR Code



Registration is \$175 per attendee, payable online by credit card only.

Registration closes January 29, 2024, and enrollment is limited to 40.

If you are taking for recertification, be sure to provide your license/technician number.

After you register, you will receive a confirmation e-mail.

If you have problems registering, please call 662-325-3226

See the Termite University website for full details.

Can't remember that URL address? Neither can I.

Just “search” for: “**Termite University Mississippi State**”

We look forward to seeing you on campus!

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Termite University Agenda

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Wednesday, January 31, 2024:

9:30 AM **Check in and Coffee – Bost Extension Center, MSU** (Time to view lab samples)
10:00 AM (30 min.) **Introduction and Overview** (Drs. Portugal and Layton, MSU-ES)
10:30 AM (30 min.) **Pesticide Safety** (Mr. Gene Merkl, MSU-ES)
11:00 AM (60 min.) **Termite Identification and Biology** (Dr. Santos Portugal, MSU-ES)

12:00 LUNCH (Catered Lunch, Bost South Auditorium)

1:00 PM (45 min.) **Termite treatment regulations** (Mr. Russell Kohler, MDAC BPI)
1:45 PM (60 min.) **Tools and Methods for Prevention and Control:** (Dr. Blake Layton, MSU-ES)
2:45 **BREAK** (15 minutes, then travel to Redd Termite Training Facility) (Time to view lab samples)
3:15 PM (2 hrs) **On Site Training - Redd Termite Training Facility:** (Mr. Russell Kohler MDAC, BPI
and Dr. Santos Portugal, MSU-ES)

Thursday, February 1, 2024:

7:30 AM **Coffee – Bost Extension Center, MSU** (Time to view lab samples)
8:00 AM (60 min.) **Termite Math** (Dr. Blake Layton, MSU-ES)
9:00 AM (45 min.) **Record Keeping and Inspections:** (Mr. Russell Kohler, MDAC BPI),
9:45 BREAK (15 min.) (Time to view lab sample specimens)
10:00 AM (40 Min.) **Formosan Termites and Drywood Termites**, (Dr. Santos Portugal, MSU-ES)
10:40 AM (40 min.) **US Forest Service Termiticide Testing Program**, (Dr. Guy Shelton, USFS)
11:20 (20 min.) **Termiticide Efficacy Review** (Dr. Blake Layton, MSU-ES)

11:40 LUNCH (catered lunch, Bost South Auditorium)

1:00 PM (45 min.) **WDIRs and Reporting** (Mr. Russell Kohler, MDAC BPI).
1:45 PM (45 minutes) **Control of Wood-destroying Fungi**, (Dr. Kevin Ragon, MSU-ES)
2:30 PM (45 min.) **Inspection, Conducive Conditions and Causes of Failures** (Dr. Santos Portugal, MSU-ES)
3:15 PM (30 min) **Evaluation and Recertification** (Dr. Santos Portugal and Mr. Russell Kohler)

Have a safe trip home!