

BASIS Training Course Information



BASIS is an independent Registration, Standards and Certification scheme serving pesticide, fertiliser and allied organizations and interests. Those obtaining the BASIS Certificate in Crop Protection can apply to become members of the BASIS Professional Register for agronomists, consultants and technical sales staff. For more information on BASIS visit the web site <http://www.basis-reg.co.uk/>. BASIS training courses offered by SAC are taught by BASIS qualified staff and subject experts. Each course has a fully structured training programme supported by on-line material. Training is adaptable, depending on the background and experience of candidates.

BASIS Certificate in Crop Protection Courses. Costs includes refreshments and lunch and the current BASIS exam fee, but exclude accommodation. (All courses & exams subject to minimum numbers attending)
Full course including full exams - £1560 + BASIS examination fee of £260 (total £1820)
Revision day & full exams - £125 + BASIS examination fee of £260 (total £385)
Revision day & viva / multiple choice exam for re-admittance to the Professional Register exams & extra training day and online material - £245 + BASIS examination fee of £170 (total £415)
Ad hoc training days £120 / day

BASIS Certificate in Crop Protection (Agriculture) SAC Edinburgh

Pre-BASIS 21st – 22nd September 2011

This introductory course covers the biology and ID of weeds, pests and diseases and ICM. It can be attended, or alternatively studied on-line. Attendance is recommended for those who lack relevant knowledge and experience of weed, pest and disease ID etc. There will be the opportunity to discuss training needs and the BASIS project.

Agronomy Course 14th - 18th November 2011

This is an intensive course that focuses on control of weeds, pests and diseases.

Safety Course 16th – 20th January 2012

This covers pesticide development & registration, formulation, application, mode of action, active ingredients and legislation - environmental and safety aspects of pesticide use.

Revision Day and Exams provisional dates – 22nd – 23rd February & 23rd – 24th May 2012 (provisional dates)
Revision material, written exams and viva exams.

BASIS Certificate in Crop Protection (Amenity Horticulture) SAC Edinburgh

Agronomy Course 21st – 25th November 2011

This course focuses on biology and control of weeds, pests and diseases in the hard surfaces and amenity grass and sports turf skills areas. Biodiversity is also covered.

Safety Course 23rd – 27th January 2012

This covers pesticide development & registration, pesticide formulation, application, mode of action, active ingredients and legislation - environmental and safety aspects of pesticide use.

Revision Day and Exams (provisional date) 15th - 16th February 2012

Revision material, written exams and viva exams

FACTS (Fertiliser Advisers Certification and Training Scheme) SAC Aberdeen

Cost of the course is £550.00 + examination fee of £170.00 (total £720)

Next course will be 21-25 March 2011, with exams being held on 30th and 31st March.

Candidates will have a basic understanding of fertilisers to enable them to give advice to farmers and growers which is both economically and environmentally sound. The emphasis will be on practical knowledge when advising farmers and growers. This course will meet part of the training requirements of land management contracts.

Certificate in Crop Protection courses are held at Edinburgh – for more information or to apply for this <http://www.sac.ac.uk/basis> or contact Moyra Farquhar, Crop Clinic, SAC, West Mains Road, Edinburgh, EH9 3JG, FAX: 01315354144 (Phone: 01315354090, email moyra.farquhar@sac.ac.uk)

The FACTS course will be held in Ferguson Building at SAC Aberdeen – for more information or to apply, please go to <http://www.sac.ac.uk/learning/training/courses/crops/facts> or contact Janice Harris, SAC, Craibstone, Bucksburn, Aberdeen, AB21 9YA Tel: (01224) 711221 Fax: (01224) 711268