
Florida-Friendly Fertilizer Use Ordinance 5469

Landscape Services/Lawn and Garden Services/Pest Control Contractors

Effective January 1, 2019

Any person or business who applies fertilizer to turf and or landscape plants within the City of Boca Raton must hold the **'Florida-Friendly Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources by the Green Industries'** training certificate as a commercial fertilizer applicator.

All commercial and institutional applicators of fertilizer within the City of Boca Raton shall abide by and successfully complete the six-hour training program in 'Florida-Friendly Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources by the Green Industries' offered by Florida Department of Environmental Protection through the University of Florida/Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service, "Florida-Friendly Landscapes" program or an approved equivalent program. **All fertilizer applicators must have and carry on their possession this certificate at all times when applying fertilizer within the City of Boca Raton.**

All Businesses located **within** the City limits shall provide proof of 'commercial fertilizer applicator certification' to the City of Boca Raton prior to receiving their annual Business Tax Receipt. All Businesses located **OUTSIDE** the City limits shall provide proof of 'commercial fertilizer applicator certification' through the required registration with the City pursuant to Section 8-93 of the City Code of Ordinances.

These provisions shall be enforced by the City of Boca Raton and may also be pursued by any other enforcement remedies available at law. Any violation of this ordinance is hereby deemed to be irreversible and irreparable in accordance with Section 162.01 et seq., Florida Statutes.

For specific questions or additional information, contact:

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