

Online Training to Help You Comply with Personal Protective Equipment and Respiratory Protection Requirements—*A New Resource from the University of California Statewide IPM Program.* Cheryl A. Reynolds, University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources Statewide IPM Program, 2801 Second Street, Davis, CA 95618 (creynolds@ucanr.edu)

Pesticides have the potential to cause injury or illness to anyone working with them. Repeated exposure over long periods of time, or even just a one-time incident of overexposure, can pose human health hazards. Wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) reduces a person's exposure to pesticides. The UC Statewide Integrated Pest Management Program (UC IPM) has developed a new online course on the proper use of PPE. The purpose of this course is to provide information to all pesticide handlers and their supervisors so that they can follow specific label instructions and the California Code of Regulations (CCR). By the end of the course, learners should be able to demonstrate how to select the proper PPE, use it, remove it, and dispose of it or clean and store it before, during, and after each incidence of pesticide handling and application. The course includes sections on pesticide exposure and PPE requirements as listed on the label and found in the CCR. Photos and illustrations show various types of PPE equipment. Several how-to videos demonstrate the proper way equipment should be worn and removed. Ungraded quizzes, animated sequences, and interactions are spaced throughout the course to help learners stay engaged in the presentation. A final test must be passed with 70% correct or higher in order to receive a certificate of completion and obtain continuing education hours. UC IPM strives to provide high-quality, accurate content while continuously improving instructional design, accessibility, and visual aspects to stay up with current trends in the e-learning industry.