

Presentations

Motor Carrier Rules and Regulations General Overview

DOT will give a 2 hour course on the rules for commercial motor vehicle operators. Anyone operating a vehicle rated 10,001 lbs to 26,000 lbs GVWR is considered a Commercial Motor Vehicle Operator and has to abide by additional rules when operating the vehicle. If you're driving a 3/4 ton pick up and towing a trailer or a 1 ton truck you are operating a commercial motor vehicle. Learn what you need to know to operate your vehicle legally. Be prepared if you or your employees are stopped by DOT officers. This will be 2 one hour sessions back to back. If you attend both classes you will receive a Certificate from the DOT.

Protection for your Business: Helping the Bottom Line

- Understanding how your insurance policies respond to different situations.
- Helping your clients know what their insurance may cover for certain Losses.
- Assuring proper classification for General Liability and Workers Compensation.
- Reviewing Contractors and sub Contractors agreements for Compliance and is it Cost effective?

Wacky Weather? New England Climate Trends

Dr. Stampone, our New Hampshire state climatologist, will provide an overview of New England climate patterns, variability and change. Her discussion will include an objective look at trends and variability in growing season onset, cessation and length, temperature and precipitation cycles that influence our New England growing conditions. She will demonstrate some available climate data resources to help in your seasonal planting and maintenance planning.

Introduction to Permaculture: A Framework for Ecological Design

This session will highlight what Permaculture is all about. What could it mean to your work and your community? How does Permaculture differ from other approaches to sustainable design? This session has been developed for landscapers and designers that are working toward a sustainable future and want practical tools and applicable methodologies.

Topics covered will include:

- An introduction to Permaculture ethics and principles
- The Permaculture Design Process
- Site Analysis and assessment
- Food and Energy Security
- Natural Systems and biodiversity
- Examples from a range of projects

Pollinator-Friendly Landscaping

Scientists now consider our residential backyards the "final frontier" in providing essential habitat for at-risk pollinator species that are vital to environmental health and healthy natural landscapes. Habitat naturalist and garden coach Ellen Sousa will talk about the best plants to help feed and shelter butterflies, bees, moths, and hummingbirds, and explain how to support pollinator populations with just a few changes in your landscaping practices.

Agenda

8:00-9:00 AM Registration, coffee, visit vendors and greet members

Track 1

AUDITORIUM

9:00 - 11:10

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New Hampshire Department of Transportation

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11:20 - 12:20

Protection for your Business: Helping the Bottom Line

Deb Rourke, Avery Insurance

12:20 - 1:10 Lunch

1:10 - 1:30 Announcements, and Scholarship Awards

1:30 - 3:00 **Keynote Speaker:** *Piera Siegert, State Entomologist, NH Department of Ag., Markets & Food*

Invasive Insects of Concern for New Hampshire

Learn about invasive insects with the potential to cause economic damage to New Hampshire's landscape. Some of these insects of concern, like emerald ash borer and the Asian longhorned beetle, have not yet been detected in the state. Others, like hemlock woolly adelgid, spotted wing drosophila and brown marmorated stink bug have been found in New Hampshire. Programs relating to the detection and management of these invasive pests will be discussed.

Track 2

ROOM 314

9:00 - 10:00

Wacky Weather?

New England Climate Trends

Mary Stampone, Asst. Professor of Geography and NH State Climatologist, UNH

10:10 - 11:10

Introduction to Permaculture: A Framework for Ecological Design

Steve Whitman, Certified Permaculture Teacher

11:20 - 12:20

Pollinator-Friendly Landscaping

Ellen Sousa, Habitat Naturalist and Garden Coach

Directions

NHTI

31 College Drive
Concord, NH 03301

From Points North or South

I-93, Exit 15 East to I-393 to Exit 1 and follow signs.

From Points West

I-89 to I-93 North to Exit 15 East to I-393 to Exit 1 and follow signs to NHTI campus. ***

From Points East

Route 4 to I-393 to Exit 1 and follow signs to NHTI campus. ***

***Take College Drive to Institute Drive, turn right and follow it all the way around until you see Sweeney Hall and parking lot on your left.

Registration will be in the Wellness Center Lobby.

For a campus map, go to:
www.nhti.edu/directions.html



Spring Conference for Landscapers

Pre-registration must be received by
March 7, 2012.

\$50 per person, \$47 additional
persons from the same company.
\$25 student rate. Please call 862-3200 if you
would like to register as a student.

Business Name: _____

Persons Attending: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

\$_____ Total Amount Enclosed

Online registration is encouraged at:
[https://www.events.unh.edu/
RegistrationForm.pm?event_id=9723](https://www.events.unh.edu/RegistrationForm.pm?event_id=9723)

If using this mail-in form, address a check
payable to UNHCE and mail to:

Spring Conference for Landscapers
UNH Cooperative Extension
38 Academic Way
Durham, NH 03824

Two Ways to Register

1) On-line registration

You can link to the registration page at:

[https://www.events.unh.edu/RegistrationForm.
pm?event_id=9723](https://www.events.unh.edu/RegistrationForm.pm?event_id=9723)

You can pay by credit card if you use this option.

2) Or register by mail using the form on the left.

Pre-registration Deadline is March 7, 2012.

No refunds after this date.

Walk-ins accepted at the door; \$55 per person;
lunch not guaranteed for walk-ins.

Questions about registration should be sent to:
suzanne.hebert@unh.edu or call 603-862-3200.

For other questions contact Jon Batson, NHLA Ed
Committee Chair at jontree13@aol.com or 603-335-5372,
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This program is a collaborative effort between NHLA and
UNH Cooperative Extension.

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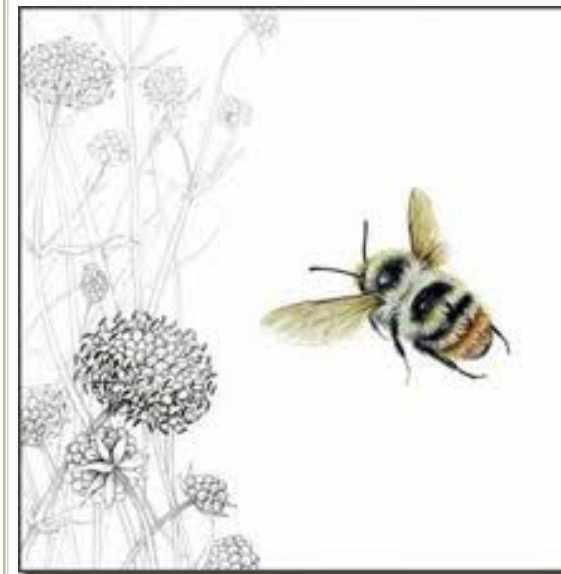
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Cathy Neal

**Pesticide credits are pending approval.
NH Certified Landscape Professional and
AOLCP credits available.**

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**March 14, 2012
8am - 3pm**

Sweeny Hall Auditorium
New Hampshire Technical Institute
Concord, NH