



BENEFIT FROM RECOGNITION OF YOUR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Fill in the form below to seek CPAg status in 2009

CPAg is awarded to members of The New Zealand Institute of Agricultural & Horticultural Science Inc who have increased their professional capability by completing 50 hours of continuing professional development during 2008. Members who have already achieved CPAg status for 2009 should still record hours completed in 2008 to have these hours acknowledged and up to 50 hours will be carried forward into 2010. A guideline to the number of hours claimable on a given activity is listed on the reverse of this page.

Name: _____ Tel: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Date started	Date ended	Type of activity (e.g. conference, seminar, PhD, field trip). Include topic. (Please print clearly in black pen)	Speaker & Affiliation (if appropriate) & Organiser (No acronyms)	Hours claimed
<i>Total Hours</i>				

Please sign the following declaration:

I, _____, do solemnly declare that I have undertaken and completed the activities claimed by me in this application for Certified Practising Agriculturist (CPAg) status. I understand that I may be requested to provide verification of my participation in these activities.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____



Become a Certified Practising Agriculturist (CPAg)



CPAg is a public demonstration by professionals in agri-industry that they are expanding their knowledge across industry networks throughout their professional career. Engaging a CPAg employee, contractor or consultant will give employers a professional who has achieved the rigorous Professional Standards established by the AIAST and The New Zealand Institute of Agricultural & Horticultural Science Inc (NZIAHS) and has made a positive commitment to keeping up-to-date with new technology and industry developments.

If you completed 50 or more hours of eligible activities between 1 January and 31 December 2008 and are a Full member of NZIAHS you are eligible for CPAg certification.

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Activities eligible for Continuing Professional Development are those which contribute to the extension of professional agriculturists' skills and knowledge. Activities which are part of normal work and constitute the output of the applicant are ineligible as are 'in-house' conferences (unless an external deliverer of information is involved). Activities where participation is because of the perceived expert knowledge of the participant are also ineligible (see below).

Examples of eligible activities are:-

- Short courses
- Workshops
- Postgraduate Diplomas
- Seminars
- Doctorates
- Field Days
- Conferences
- Self Study when it is given formal recognition
- Field/Study Tours
- Leadership programs
- Masters
- Reading (maximum of 5 hours)

Examples of ineligible activities are:-

- Lecturing
- Lecture Tours
- Work Experience
- Editing and Refereeing
- Organising activities (e.g. conferences, workshops)
- Policy Reviews
- Job Rotations within an Organisation
- Supervision of Students
- Committee Work
- Media Work
- Assessment Panels
- Report Writing

TIME ALLOCATED FOR EACH ACTIVITY

The time claimed for each activity should reflect the time spent actively involved in acquiring skills or knowledge. Unless programmes are presented showing long days, or the conference organisers have already negotiated eligible time in advance, conferences will be given 6 hours a day. Examples are:-

Conferences: 6 hours per day **Field Tour:** 6 hours per day **Job exchange:** 8 hours per day

JUSTIFICATION AND VERIFICATION OF APPLICANTS

Please add as much detail as possible to enable verification of the validity of the activity claimed for. The Assessment Panel will request verification of activities when there is uncertainty as to the eligibility of the activity.

ANNUAL AND BIENNIAL APPLICATIONS

Applicants will be permitted to average activities undertaken over a period of two consecutive years by carrying a maximum 50 excess hours forward to the second year.

**Please complete this form and send to:- NZIAHS Secretariat, P.O. Box 121-063, Henderson, Waitakere City 0650
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