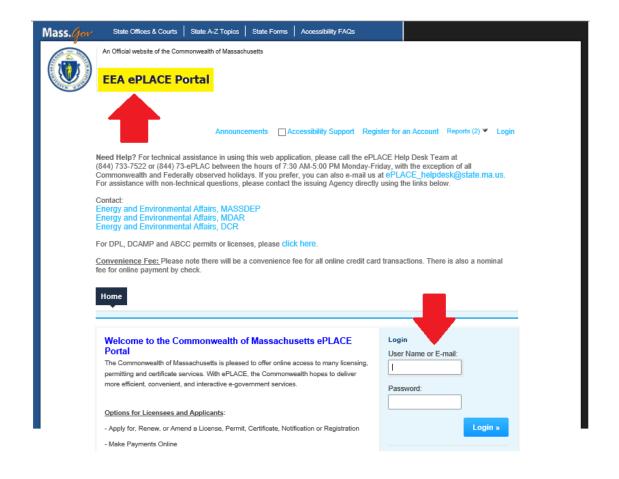
# Register for Your Exam in the EEA ePLACE Portal and Enroll in the Everblue Online Exam System

Pesticide Program

Division of Crop & Pest Services

Mass. Department of Agricultural Resources

## Welcome to the EEA ePLACE Portal https://eplace.eea.mass.gov/citizenaccess/



## Create an Account – Go to: https://eplace.eea.mass.gov/citizenaccess/



If you don't already have an EEA ePLACE Portal Account, you will need to create one.

To register, click here create an account with a User name and Password. After

registering, login to access ePLACE.



Each person must have their own unique account.

#### Returning Users:

Use the log in box on the right to log in with your User name and Password to access the

portal. \*NOTE if it has been more than 60 days since you last logged into the system

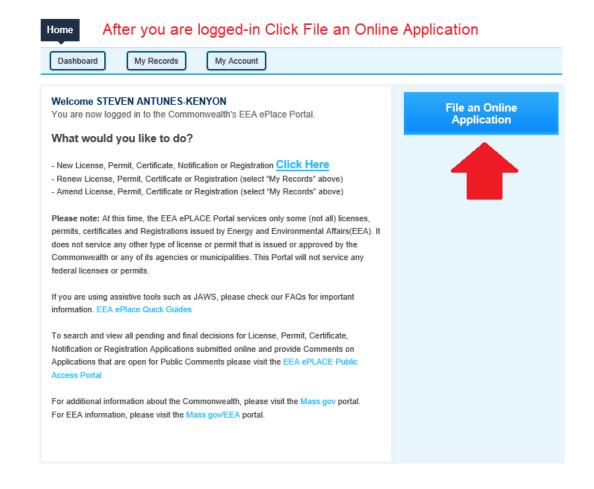
you will need to reset your password.

If you are using assistive tools such as JAWS, please check our FAQs for important information. FEA ePlace Quick Guides.

To search and view all pending and final decisions for Permit, Certification, License or Notification Applications submitted online and provide Comments on Applications that are open for Public Comments please visit the EEA ePLACE Public Access Portal

For additional information about the Commonwealth, please visit the Mass.gov portal. For EEA information, please visit the Mass.gov/EEA portal.

## Log-in and Start Your Exam Registration



## Accept the Terms and Conditions for Use of the System

Home

Accept the terms and conditions and click Continue

File an Online Application

#### EEA ePLACE Portal Disclaimer

Welcome to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts EEA ePLACE (ePermitting) portal. In order to continue, you must review and accept the terms outlined as set forth below. Click the "Continue" button in order to proceed with the online submission process.

In order to perform licensing and permitting transactions online, you were required to register for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts EEA ePLACE (ePermitting) portal. All registered users in this Portal are required to agree to the following:

 Use of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts EEA ePLACE (ePermitting) portal is subject to federal and state laws, which may be amended from time to time, including laws governing unauthorized access to computer systems. Online inquiries and transactions create electronic records that in some instances might be disclosed to



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### Click Apply for a MDAR Authorization and then Choose Pesticide Exam Application

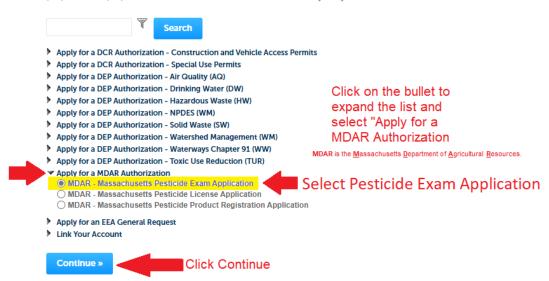
#### Commonwealth of Massachusetts EEA ePLACE (ePermitting) Online Services

#### New Applicants:

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts EEA ePLACE (ePermitting) portal provides the ability to file applications for licenses, permits, certificates, notifications and registrations. From the listing below, please click on the appropriate link to expand the options, select the service that you would like to use and click the continue button.

#### **Existing Applicants:**

Click Home and use the "My Records" tab to renew or amend a license, permit, certification or registration. If they are not listed under the "My Records" tab, please select the "Link your account" option found in section below. You will be prompted for a "record identification code" and "authorization code." from the Account Link notification you received. If you have not received a notification letter, please contact the ePLACE Help Desk Team at (844) 733-7522 or (844) 73-ePLACE between the hours of 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM Monday-Friday.



### **Enter Personal Information**

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\*indicates a required field.

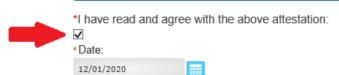
#### Personal Information

Pursuant to the requirements set forth in M.G.L. c. 132B and the regulations promulgated thereunder at 333 CMR 2.00 through 14.00 et seq., you are required to provide the Department with all requested information. This includes the entry of your social security number and date of birth, which information cannot be modified after you submit the application through the EIPAS System. Failure to provide this information or to falsify this information will result in the denial of the requested license, permit, and/or certificate and may result in further legal action.

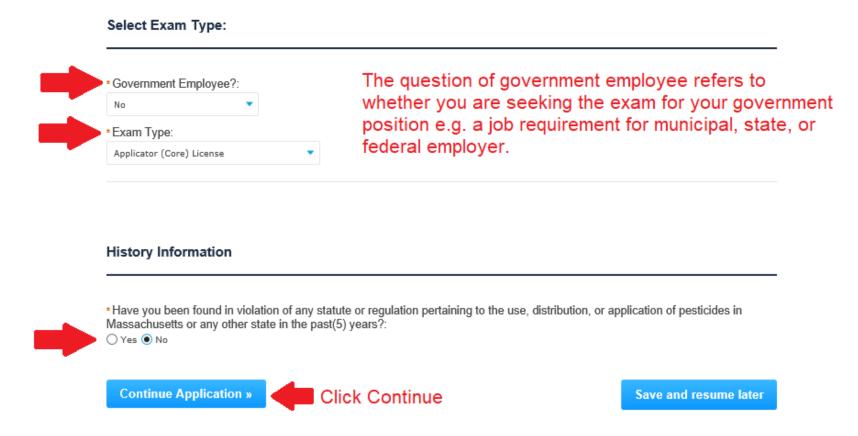


The red asterisk indicates a field that must be completed to move forward with your application.

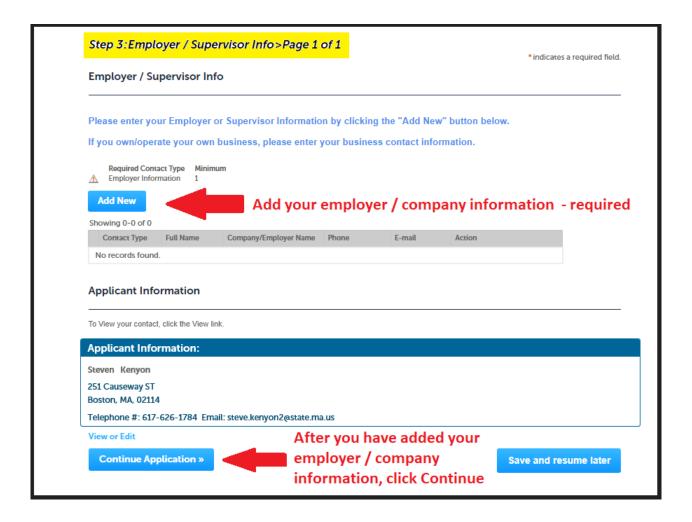
I hereby acknowledge that the information provided includes personal information, including but not limited to, my social security number and date of birth, and that sharing of any account login information may result in another individual having access to such information. I hereby release and indemnify the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts from any legal responsibility, liability, cause of action, claims, or damages caused by any individual as a result of my sharing or giving access, whether knowingly or due to negligence, to this account login information with any other individual or entity.



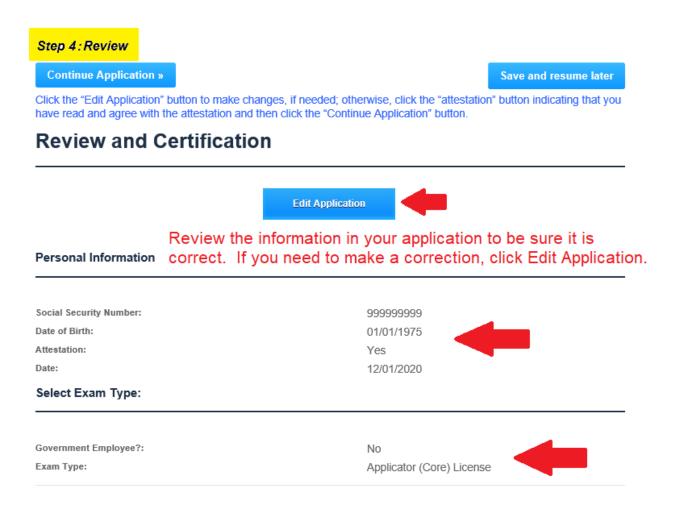
### **Complete Personal Information**



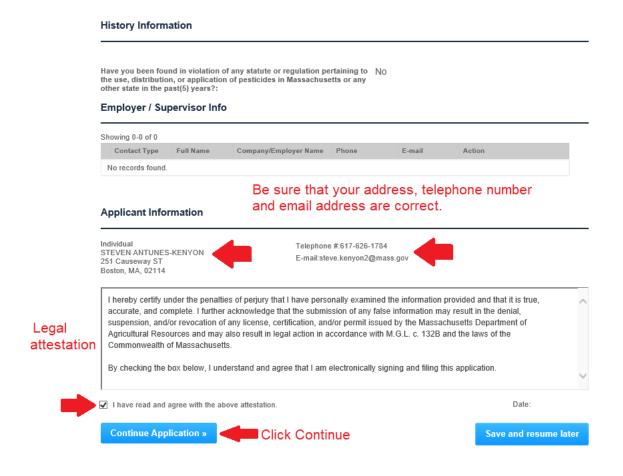
### Add Your Employer Information



### **Review Your Information**



## Review and Attest that Your Application is Correct



### Pay Your Exam Registration Fee Online for Faster Service

#### Step 5: Pay Fees

Listed below is the fee for the authorization that you are applying for. The following screen will display your total fees.

Payment may be made by electronic check or credit card for a nominal processing fee. The electronic check fee is \$0.35 per transaction. Credit card payments are 2.35% per transaction. Clicking on the PAY ONLINE button will bring you to the secure online payments portal. Once you have made payment, you will be returned to your application for submittal.

Payment may also be made by mail. However, review of your application will not begin until payment is received. By clicking on the Pay by Mail button, you will have submitted your application. You will receive a notification email with the location and address to send your payment. That information is also available in the instructions for this authorization.

#### Application Fees

Fees	Amount
Applicator (Core) License	\$75.00

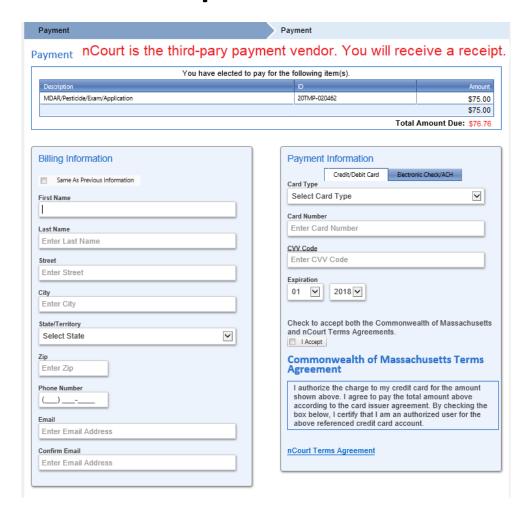
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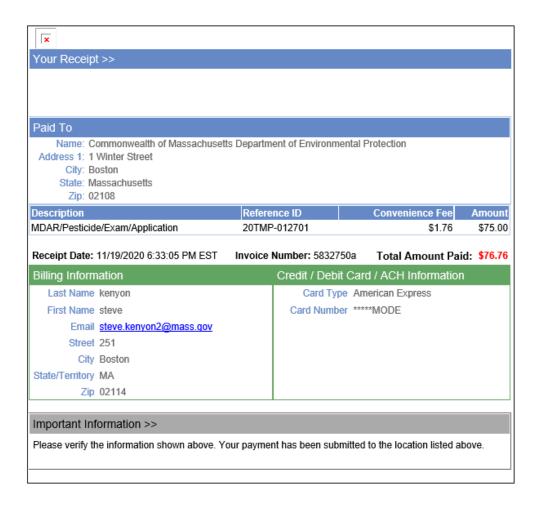


Choosing to Pay by Mail will significantly delay your registration.

## Pay Online and nCourt will Send you a Receipt via Email



## Receive Your Email Receipt from customerservice@nCourt.com



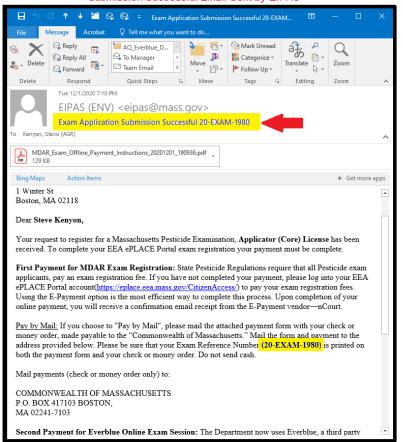
### Note Your Successful Registration in the EEA ePLACE Portal

After you have completed your payment, an Exam Record Number is assigned to your registration and included in your email notifications.

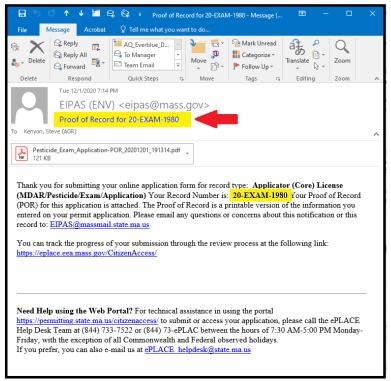
Home MDAR Applications MDAR - Massachusetts Pesticide Exam Application 3 Employer / Supervisor Info 2 Documents 4 Review 5 Pay Fees 6 Record Issuance Step 6: Record Issuance Successfully Completed. Thank you for using our online services for your submission. Your Exam Record Number will also be listed Your Record Number is 20-EXAM-1980 when you Click "Home" and then "My Records" Please note that you will be receiving email notifications for your submission and the progress of your application. If you did not receive a confirmation email for your submission please contact the HelpDesk service, contact information provided above. If you need to start a new application, please click Home Button.

### After the Exam Registration Payment, You Will Receive Two Emails from EIPAS

Submission Successful Email Sent by EIPAS







The EEA ePLACE Portal is also known as the Environmental Information and Public Access System (EIPAS). Emails from this system are sent from EIPAS.

#### **Not Paying Online?**

- If you elected not to pay your Exam Registration Fees, then your examination process will be significantly slower and you will be required to do the following:
  - Print the Exam Registration Invoice sent – it's attached as a report to the "Submission Successful" email sent from EIPAS.
  - Mail the Invoice together with your check or money order to PO Box address provided on the form – do NOT send to MDAR.
  - Patiently wait for your Exam
     Registration record to be updated
     with payment prior to moving
     forward with your online exam
     enrollment process via Everblue
     Online Exam System.

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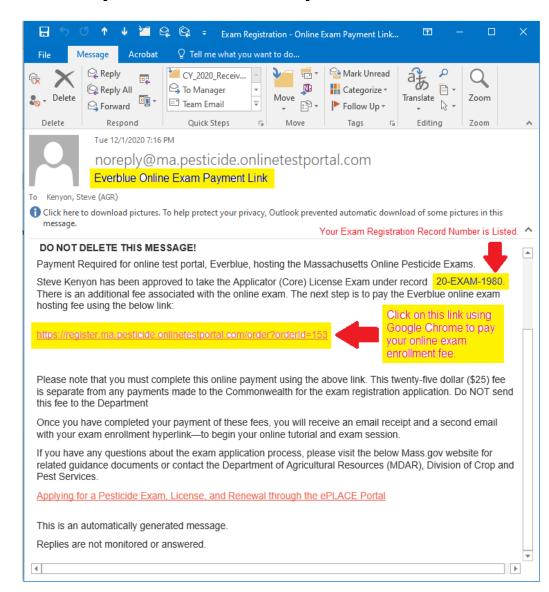


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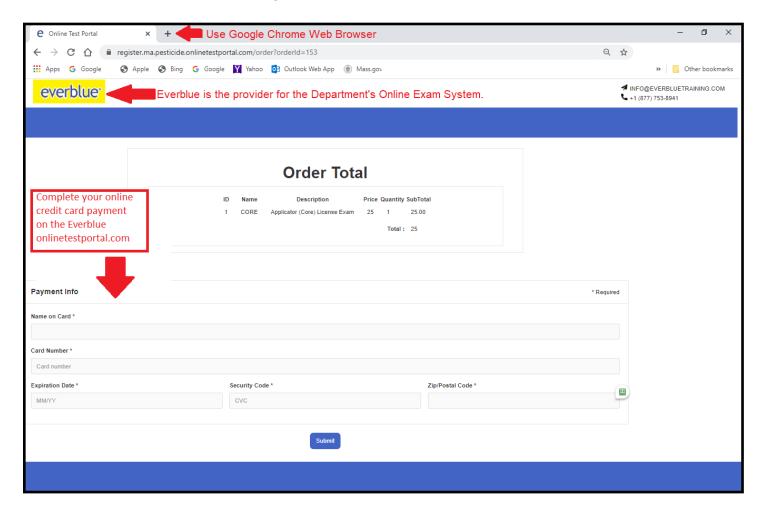
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#### Receive Your Everblue Online Exam Payment Link and Pay Online Exam Fees

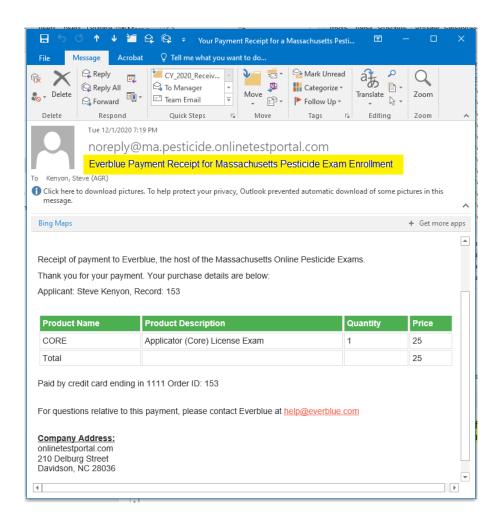
- Once your Exam Registration Fee is paid in the EEA ePLACE Portal, you will then need to pay the Everblue online exam enrollment fee.
- Look for the Everblue email titled:
   Everblue Online Exam Payment Link
   that comes from
   noreply@ma.pesticide.onlineportal.com
- This email will include your payment link and list your Exam Registration Record Number. You must make your payment online.
- You will use the payment link with the Google Chrome web browser to complete your online payment to the Everblue onlinetestportal.com.



## Use the Payment Link to Complete Your Payment to Everblue

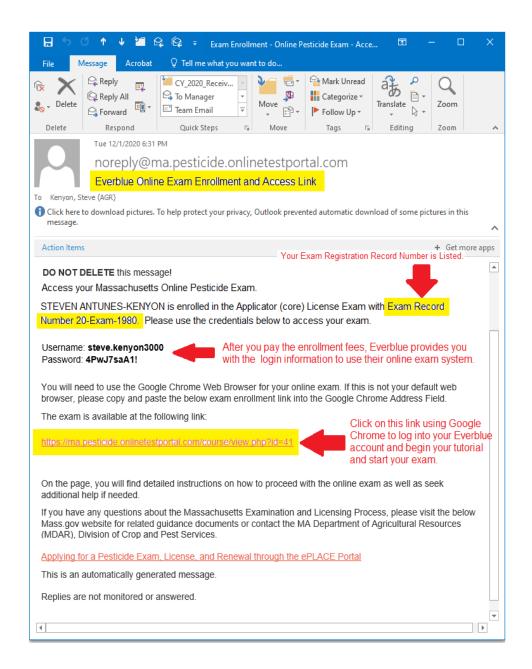


## Receive Your Receipt from Everblue for the Online Exam Enrollment



#### Receive the Link from Everblue to Access Your Online Exam Session

- After you make the Everblue online exam payment, you will receive an email titled Everblue Online Exam Enrollment and Access Link that comes from noreply@ma.pesticide.onlineportal.com
- This email includes your Online Exam Enrollment and Access Link, Username, and Temporary Password, and it lists your Exam Registration Record Number.
- You must use the Everblue Exam
   Enrollment and Access Link, together with the Google Chrome web browser, the provided username and temporary password to log into the Everblue system and access your exam session.
- You have only 120-days from your Everblue Online Exam payment date to complete your online exam session.
   Failure to complete this within 120-days will require that you submit a new registration and pay all related fees again.



### MDAR Maintains Strict Rules for Pesticide Exams – Failure to Follow the Rules and Requirements Documented will Result in Disqualification!

- All Pesticide Exams are closed book and use of any notes, manuals, study aids or other assistance is strictly prohibited.
- Closely review and adhere to the <u>Rules and Requirements</u> outlined separately and found on the MDAR website.
- Find an appropriate well lighted and quiet room where you will NOT be disturbed.
- Be sure that you have strong-reliable internet connection. Wired is better than WiFi and have sufficient power for the computer or laptop.
- Once your exam session starts you must remain facing the webcam and cannot leave the exam room, or stop your exam session, or block your webcam or mic.

Accessing notes, manuals, etc. or cellphones or other devices during your exam is strictly prohibited.



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### The Everblue Uses Your Webcam and Microphone to Record and Review the Exam Session for Compliance with MDAR Rules and Requirements

- Do not attempt to change computer networks once the exam starts—as the exam session will end abruptly.
- Manage your distance from the webcam to assure that your face and eyes are visible and be sure that your webcam and microphone are not covered or blocked.
- Do not look down or away from your computer screen—but focus on the exam and do not attend to any other matters or distractions.
- Once the exam session starts, applicants should only use their computer mouse to navigate the exam. Do NOT use the keyboard.
- Note that all exam sessions are recorded for both audio and video and will be reviewed for signs of cheating.
- There are no refunds or additional exam sessions offered for failure to follow the <u>Rules and Requirements</u> and you may be banned from all exams for up to 6months.

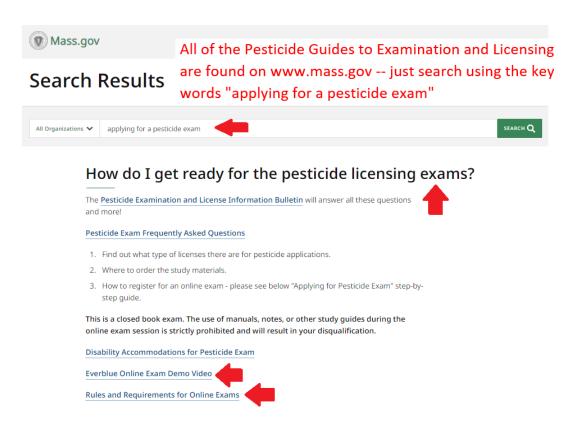
If at any point you are not visible via the webcam or are repeatedly looking down or away from the computer screen, you may be found to be cheating and disqualified.



### How Do You Get Ready to Take Your Exam?

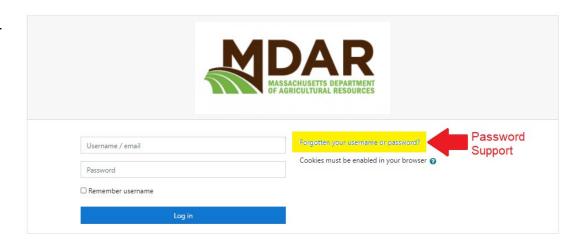
Closely review this Guide and the Rules and Requirements for Online Exams posted on the Examination and Licensing Website before you begin:

- You must use a regular desktop or laptop computer; such as, a PC running Windows OS 10 or higher or an Apple Macintosh computer running Mac OS 10.11 or higher.
- You <u>cannot</u> use a Chromebook nor mobile devices like phones or tablets (e.g. iPhone, iPad, and Android, etc.).
- Be sure that that the computer operating system and chrome web browser are up to date.

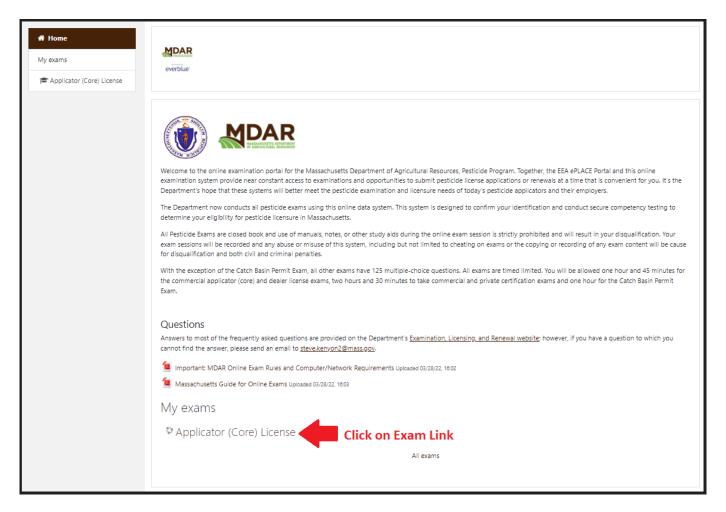


## Log Into Your Everblue Account and Prepare to Take Your Online Exam

- Reboot your computer immediately before you begin your online exam—this helps restore system resources.
- Use the credentials given to you in the Everblue Online Exam Enrollment and Access Link email message and log into your Everblue Online Training account.
- Everblue technical assistance and password support is available should you have trouble.



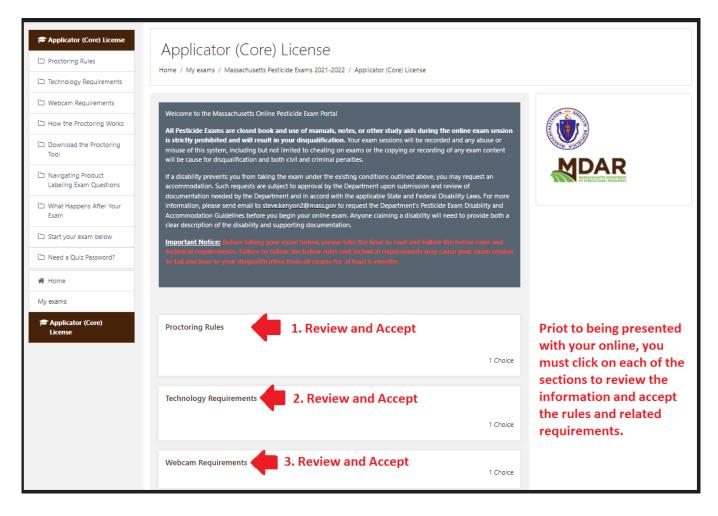
### Click on the Exam Hyperlink After You Are Logged Into Your Account



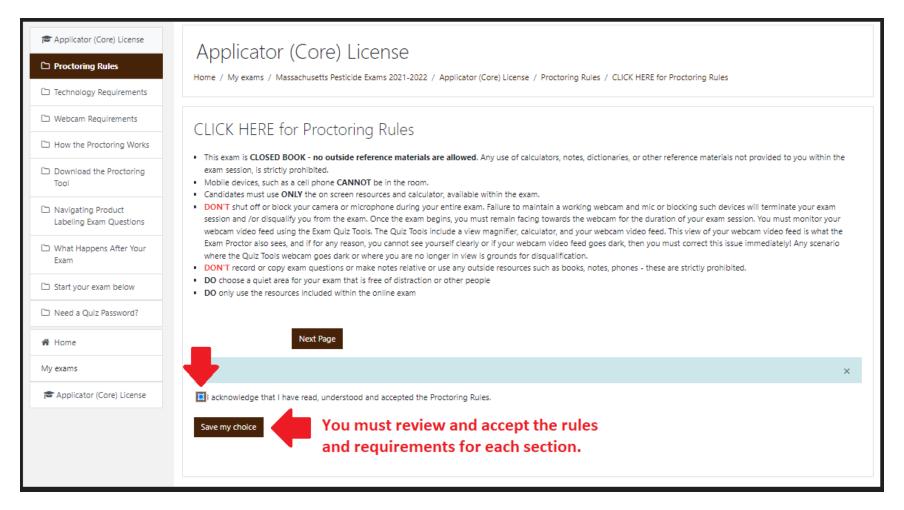
### Follow the Everblue Guidance Steps Outlined Below

- 1. Review and Accept the Exam Rules
- 2. Review and Accept the Technology Requirements
- 3. Review and Accept the Webcam Requirements
- 4. Watch the Exam Demonstration Video
- 5. Download the Proctorio Extension for your web browser – a.k.a. Exam Proctoring Tool
- 6. Check your ability to view and navigate pesticide product labeling questions - found on most exams
- 7. Understand the 4-day timeline to receive scores
- 8. Start your exam

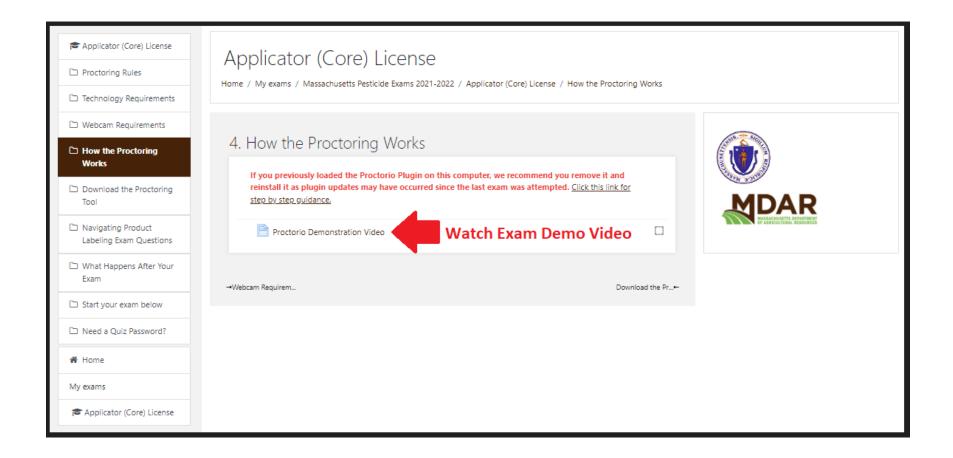
## Steps 1 through 3 Review and Accept the Conditions



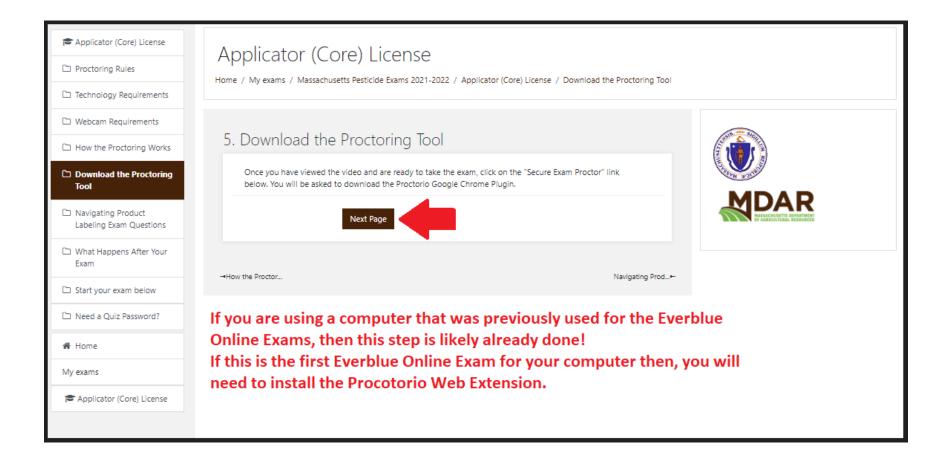
## Click Acknowledge and Accept and Save you Choice



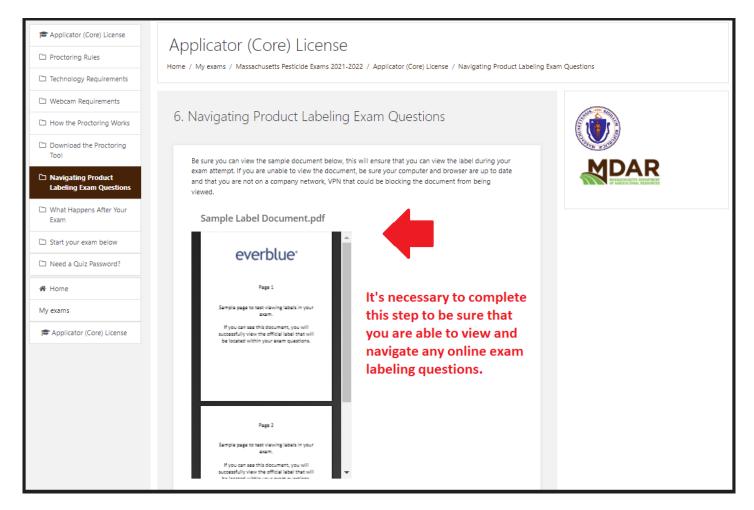
### Step 4 Watch the Exam Demo Video



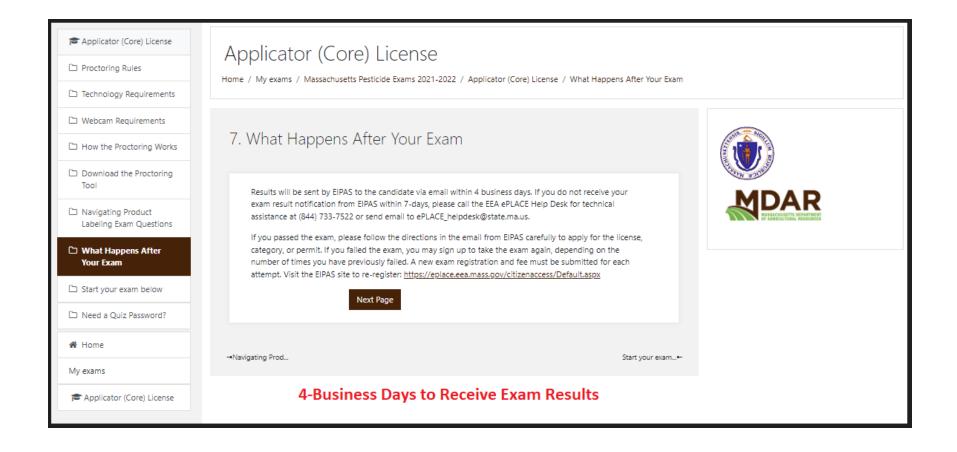
## Step 5 Install Proctorio Web Brower Extension



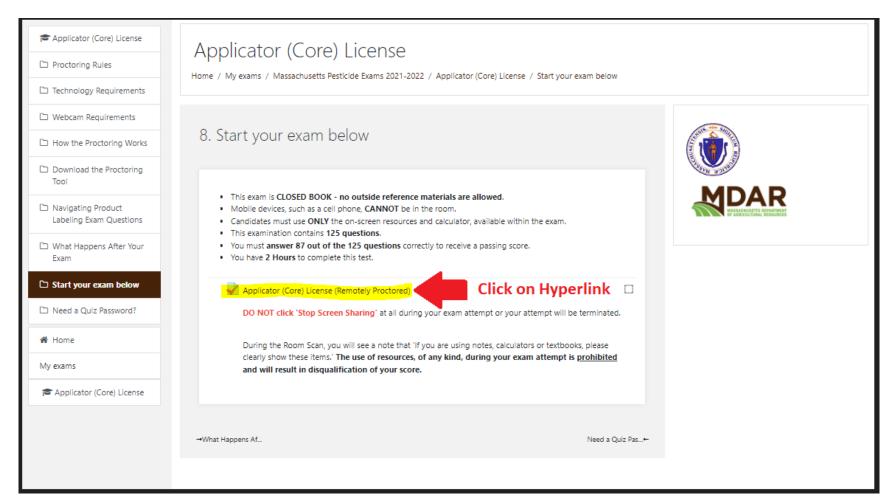
## Step 6 Test Your Computer's Ability to View Labeling



## Step 7 Understand When You Receive Your Exam Score

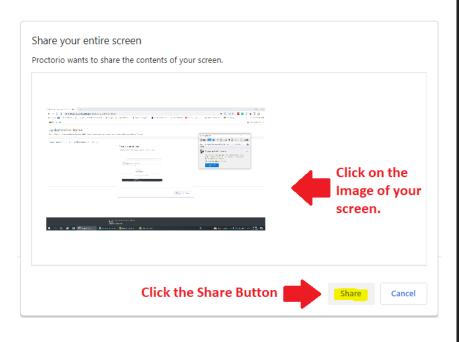


### Step 8 Start your Online Exam Proctoring Session

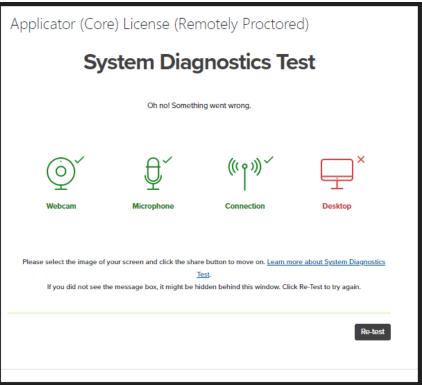


## Share Your Screen to Start System Diagnostic Test

#### **You Must Share Your Screen**



#### **Everblue will Test Your Computer**



### **Summary of Basic Computer Requirements**

- You must use only one reliable internet (network) connection. You cannot change networks once the exam starts.
- You must use a laptop or desktop with webcam and microphone. The laptop or webcam will need to be mobile to show your surroundings via the "room scan."
- The computer may be a PC running Windows OS 10 or higher or an Apple Inc. Mac Computer that is running Mac OS 10.11 or higher. It may be a desktop or a laptop computer—but it CANNOT be a Chromebook or smart phone or tablet.
- You must follow the prompts and instructions provided by the system as it makes system checks of your computer, webcam, and network connection.

No Chromebooks, smartphones or tablets!



Applicator (Core) License Exam (Remotely Proctored)

#### **System Diagnostics Test**

The system diagnostics test will only take a moment





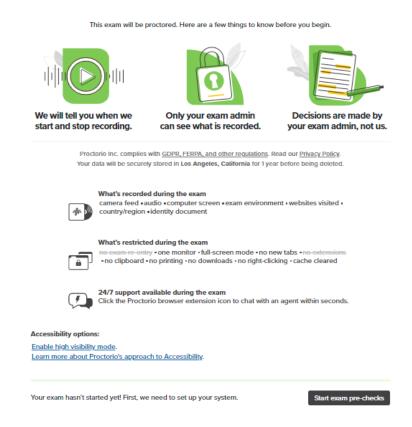




## You May Use Either Google Chrome or MS Edge Web Browser

You will need to use either the Google Chrome or the Microsoft (MS) Edge Web Browser and when prompted, you must install the "Proctorio" Extension into the browser. The Everblue system will prompt you to do this.

#### Before you Begin



### Pictures of You and Your ID will be Taken

Applicator (Core) License Exam (Remotely Proctored)

#### **Identification Card**

The Proctorio application will guide you through each step—including taking a photo of you and your valid government issued photo ID.

If you do not have a valid government issued photo ID, the system will fail your online exam session.

You cannot block or cover your picture or identifying information found on your government issued photo ID.

By clicking next, you agree the image of the identification card displayed can be used to verify your identity.



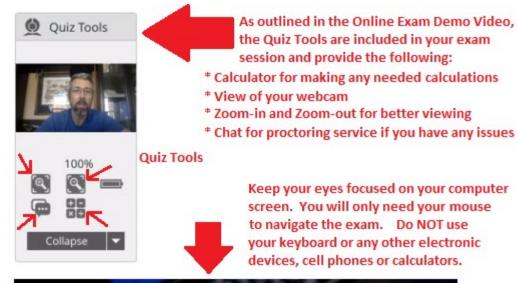
Having trouble?





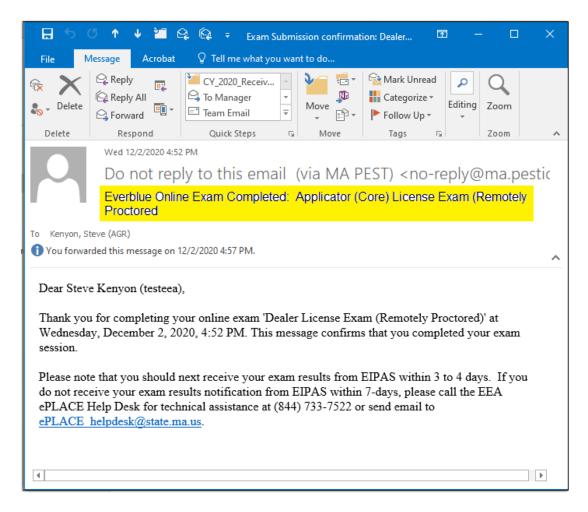
### Manage Your Webcam: Your Face and Eyes Must Always be Visible

- All exams consist of a combination of multiple choice and true and false questions.
- You will only need your mouse to navigate the exam.
- Individuals taking the Applicator (core) License Exam will have a 2hour time limit.
- Individuals taking Commercial or Private Certification Exams will have a 2 hr. 30-minute time limit.
- You will NOT receive your grade immediately but must wait approximately 4-days for your exam session to be reviewed.





## Receive Confirmation After Completing Your Exam



### Wait to Receive Your Exam Results

 All exam sessions are secured, monitored, and reviewed to confirm ID and proper conduct.

 Violating the exam rules will result in a failed grade and possible enforcement action.

 Look for your exam results sent via email from EIPAS within 4 days.

#### What if You Fail the Exam?

 Those individuals with failing scores must repeat the process and pay all related fees using their EEA ePLACE Portal Accounts and their Everblue Online Exam Accounts

- "Reregister" complete a new exam registration and payment in the EEA ePLACE Portal.
- "Re-enroll" complete the online exam enrollment and payment via the Everblue.
   See the MDAR Pesticide Examination and Licensing Information Bulleting for more details.

Visit www.Mass.gov for additional information and other Step by Step Guides to Examination and Licensing

https://www.mass.gov/guides/applying-for-a-pesticide-exam-license-and-renewal-through-the-eplace-portal

#### **Pesticide Examination and Licensing**

The Pesticide Program conducts the examination, licensing, and certification of pesticide applicators.

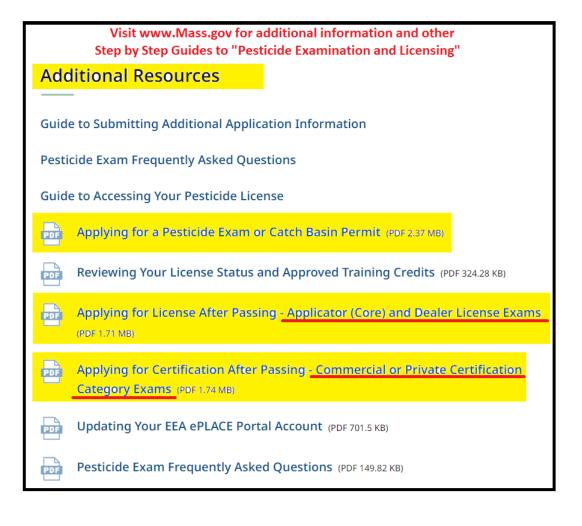
MDAR presents the new Online Data System known as the ePLACE Portal. This portal is part of an initiative to bring all agencies within the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs into an online permitting and authorization system. This system provides an easy and convenient way for individuals to apply for pesticide exams and licenses. All Applications for examination or licensure must now be submitted online.

#### First time? Start here.

Guides to all Pesticide
Examination and
through the ePLACE
Portal •

#### What if You Pass the Exam?

- Individuals with passing exam scores will then use their EEA ePLACE Portal Accounts to complete the Application for Licensure.
- You may apply for your license immediately upon receiving your passing exams results.
- Fees and Proof of Insurance apply to Applicator (core) License and Commercial Certification Applications.
- Be sure to review the <u>Guide to</u>
   <u>Applying for License After</u>
   <u>Passing the Exam</u> which
   outlines this process.



### Seek Support for EEA ePLACE Portal Exam Registration

- Need Help? For technical assistance with the your exam registration in the EEA ePLACE Portal, please call the ePLACE Help Desk Team at 844-73ePLAC (844-733-7522), 7:30 AM-5:00 PM, Monday-Friday (except on holidays)
- You can also email <u>ePLACE helpdesk@state.ma.us</u>
- For assistance with non-technical questions, please contact the MDAR, Operations Coordinator

### Seek Support for Everblue Online Exam Payment and Enrollment

- Everblue is the third-party hosting the Department's Online Exams.
- For questions relative to the Everblue online exam payments and exam enrollment, please contact Everblue at via Web Form:
- https://everblue.atlassian.net/servicedesk/customer/portal/4
   Or Email:
- ma.pesticide@everbluetraining.com

### Thank You

 If you have additional questions, please contact the MDAR Pesticide Program

• Phone: (508) 281-6787

Email: <u>PestExamLicense@mass.gov</u>