

Citrus Short Course

Course Information



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The Citrus Short Course is a high-level programme aimed at those who already have a basic understanding of agricultural production practices and needs to expand their understanding of citrus production. The programme covers all aspects of citrus production, including the history of the industry, the roles of industry organisations, citrus production practices, and the citrus export value chain.

Programme Content

- Introduction to citrus production
- The South African citrus industry
- Citrus distribution and production
- Citrus value chain
- Citrus phenology
- Citrus varieties and cultivars
- Citrus rootstocks
- Propagation of citrus trees
- Land preparation and planting
- Irrigation
- Citrus plant nutrition
- Citrus pruning
- Citrus pest monitoring (scouting)
- Major citrus pests
- Minor citrus pests
- Citrus diseases
- Orchard sanitation
- Citrus harvesting
- Citrus postharvest processes

*** Please be advised that registration for each course closes on the Friday before the course commences.*

Workshop Resources

Included in the course fee is the following:

- Programme learner guide
- CRI's Citrus Production Guidelines (electronic)
- Identification Manual for Citrus Pests and Their Natural Enemies
- Scouting magnifying glass
- Citrus Academy DVDs

Attendants will also receive full access to the Citrus Resource Warehouse.

Workshop Duration

Each workshop consists of two days' classroom learning and a site visit at local orchards on the morning of the third day. The purpose of the site visit is to give attendants the opportunity to practically apply the knowledge they have gained in the first two days.

Assessment and Certification

All workshop attendants will receive a Certificate of Attendance at the completion of the course, provided that they have signed the attendance register every day.

If attendants wish to receive a Citrus Academy Certificate of Competence they will have to complete an additional assessment guide during and after the completion of the workshop. This will entail an additional cost (see below).

The programme is not registered with any official body, but has been aligned to Citrus Research International's Citrus Production Guidelines and the latest research findings and outcomes. The programme has also been vetted by the Citrus Academy. The content will be updated on an ongoing basis with the latest research outcomes and extension briefs.

Workshops Schedule and Costs

Dates	Location	Workshop Cost (including VAT)
2019/01/30-02/01	Stellenbosch	R6,325
2019/02/25-26	Hoedspruit (2 days)	R5,175
2019/02/27-03/01	Letsitele	R6,325
2019/03/27-29	Mussina	R6,325
2019/04/10-12	Kakamas	R6,325
2019/04/24-26	Groblersdal	R6,325
2019/05/29-31	Nelspruit	R6,325
2019/06/26-28	Citrusdal	R6,325
2019/07/30-31	Villa Academy, Kempton Park	R6,325
2019/08/6-7	Hoogeind Manor, Somerset West	R6,325

Venues to be confirmed.

The per person cost of the workshop is as stated above. The costs include facilitation, resources, and lunch and teas on the two days of classroom learning. Please note that travel and accommodation is for the attendants own account.

The additional cost for competence assessment is **R2,875** per person, including VAT. This includes the assessment and moderation of the completed assessment guide which attendants will have to submit within two weeks after the completion of the workshop.

For more information and to register, please visit www.citrusacademy.org.za.

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