



## ANNOUNCEMENT!

### NEW ONLINE COURSE FOR LANDSCAPERS AND LANDSCAPE RELATED BUSINESSES



The two-hour Landscape Certification Classroom Course has been converted to a 30-minute course offered Online.

In 2008, CVAG approved and promoted an ordinance specific to landscapers and landscape-related businesses which requires the completion of a course on overseeding alternatives (aka “Smart Scalping”); that has since been adopted by eight of the nine Coachella Valley cities.

The ordinance encourages more air quality sensitive practices by landscapers and landscape-related businesses through the overseeding alternative method. This proven method eliminates the need for “scalping,” improves the air, saves money, and results in a beautiful lawn.

**The Overseeding Certification Course is reduced to 30 MINUTES; is FREE and offered in both English and Spanish.** You may access the course from any computer: in your home, office, laptop, or library.

#### **ONLINE COURSE INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Type in or click on the following link: [www.collegeofthedesert.edu/pace](http://www.collegeofthedesert.edu/pace). This will take you to the College of the Desert’s Partnership and Community Education (PaCE) website where you will find the course.
2. Locate and click on the [CVAG Landscaper Course](#) listed on the left side.
3. You will need a Flash player application to access the course. If you do not have Flash player, a prompt will appear which will enable you to download the application for free.
4. Begin the course – you may stop and resume at any time. You will find “Knowledge Check” points throughout the course to test your learning.
5. You must complete the entire course in order to access, complete and print out your Certificate.
6. There is also an optional Survey that we would appreciate any comments regarding the course.
7. Present the Certificate or “pocket-size” Certificate to the Business License Department in order to receive your Business License. **KEEP YOUR ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE.**

#### **IMPORTANT:**

**THIS CERTIFICATE EXPIRES IN ONE YEAR ALONG WITH YOUR BUSINESS LICENSE  
--THE COURSE MUST BE TAKEN ANNUALLY--**

**Note:** If you do not have a computer, please attend the free course offered at the College of the Desert’s Partnership and Community Education Program (PaCE) Computer lab on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Palm Desert Westfield Mall 1<sup>st</sup> Floor.

Should you have any questions, please call CVAG at (760) 346-1127.