



Just 12 of the Issues that FPMA is Working On - for You!

- 1. Lobbying for the adoption of Model Fertilizer Ordinance legislation**

To avoid hundreds of overlapping and conflicting regulations, FPMA is working with local and state governments, IFAS turf specialists and other industry groups to pass legislation for a statewide, enforceable model fertilizer ordinance based on the widely-recognized greens industry's Best Management Practices.
- 2. Conducting a WDO Baseline Practices member poll**

After two years of work, a Government Affairs subcommittee has recommended the adoption of baseline practices for performing inspections for the 13645 form. A true democracy in action, FPMA is polling all member companies for their position on this important document.
- 3. Developing WDO form revision and guidelines/regulations for completion**

FPMA attends DACS workshops on their proposed revisions to the 13645 form and the adoption of enforceable regulatory guidelines for its completion.
- 4. Serving on the Research Advisory Council**

FPMA is a member of this important entity that helps IFAS researchers address real world problems faced by pest management companies.
- 5. Serving on the Fumigation Advisory Council**

Fumigation regulations, insurance availability and product stewardship are a few of the ongoing issues that FPMA addresses with fellow Council members.
- 6. Serving on the Pest Control Enforcement Advisory Council (PCEAC)**

FPMA members provide oversight and input into the regulatory activities and enforcement efforts of the Bureau of Entomology and Pest Control.
- 7. Serving on UF Termite Training Center curriculum development team**

A significant financial contributor in the building phase of this centrally-located educational resource, FPMA continues to work with IFAS in developing curriculum for hands-on training for termite technicians.
- 8. Monitoring all legislative activities; Legislative Day in Tallahassee**

With a professional lobbyist, FPMA monitors legislation that could impact pest management business, promoting good bills and fighting bad ones at the state capital. Association members educate their own legislators about their profession at annual Legislative Days in Tallahassee and Washington, DC.
- 9. Supporting full funding for DACS and IFAS**

With a state budget billions in the red and the prospect of severe cuts to agency funding, FPMA is actively supporting the full funding for DACS-to maintain their vigilance over illegal operators-and for IFAS-to preserve its industry and public educational programs and research efforts.
- 10. Recruiting services for members' businesses**

FPMA is continuously recruiting new companies as Allied members to offer products and services that allow members to operate their businesses more profitability and efficiently. Such strategic alliances are true "win-wins" for the Association, Allied companies and pest management members.
- 11. Improving the Profession's Image through Public Relations**

Working with DACS, IFAS and the Professional Pest Management Alliance of the National Pest Management Association, FPMA is helping to craft a public relations campaign that will convey a positive image of the pest management industry to the public.
- 12. Building Healthy, Helpful Relationships**

With almost 200 monthly meetings in 16 local regions, FPMA members network, problem solve and learn from each other in friendly, informal settings... spouses and female professionals get to know each other through their free enrollment in the Florida chapter of Professional Women in Pest Management.