

## TMNP Online Program

### Overview

The TMNP program is offered in a new online format through the University of Tennessee's Knowledge and Training Excellence K@TE (formerly extOL) and is available to all Tennessee nursery owners, managers, and employees. (Note the TDA does have requirements regarding who can take the class to qualify for additional TAEP cost share and deadline requirements. Please call Mr. Clay Dunivan with the TDA (contact information below) for details on this.

The course consists of 21 hours that are approximately 1 hour long. Participants are routed through them in the following order:

Marketing and Economics - 3 modules  
Irrigation - 2 modules  
Container Production - 4 modules  
Plant Nutrition and Fertilization - 1 module  
Field Production - 3 modules  
Pruning, Staking, and Branch Architecture - 1 module  
Propagation - 2 modules  
Pest Management - 5 modules

Each module is followed by a quiz that is similar to the comprehensive exam at the end of the program. The quizzes can be retaken as many times as is necessary but a grade of 70% must be earned before moving to the next section.

### The Exam:

The exam is online. Once you have successfully completed all 21 modules you will be given access the online exam.

### Questions:

**For general questions about the online program content, please contact:**

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**For troubleshoot or other technical difficulties with the online program, please contact** John Toman at [extensiononline@utk.edu](mailto:extensiononline@utk.edu). This email address is diligently manned - your question will not go unanswered!

**For information on eligibility for the TAEP program, to verify requirements for the TAEP program, or other TAEP questions, please contact:**

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Thank you for your interest in this program!

-- Amy Fulcher, Chair, and the TMNP Committee Tennessee Master Nursery Producer  
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