



FAQs about the changes to Standard 2.15 from 01 October 2026

To meet SQC Standard 2.15, which states that 'all sprayer operators must undergo annual Continual Professional Development', you need to evidence one of the following:

- Completion of the SQC Annual Sprayer Training Course
- or
- NRoSO membership

What do I need to do?

- If you hold NRoSO membership, you can book on the NRoSO BASIS accredited Annual Sprayer Training Course as usual. Please have your NRoSO number ready when you book with your regular training provider.
- If you are not an NRoSO member, you can book on the SQC Annual Sprayer Training Course with Ringlink Services, who are delivering the SQC course.
- If you require Red Tractor certification, you should book the NRoSO BASIS course, as the SQC course is not currently recognised by Red Tractor.

Course dates and venues for both the NRoSO BASIS accredited and the SQC Annual Sprayer Training Courses are available via the SQC website by clicking [here](#).

Details of the NRoSO BASIS accredited course are also available from other training providers.

If you have any questions about which course is right for you, about the cost or to book, please contact **Tracey Walker** on **01561 376000** or email tracey@ringlinkservices.co.uk and she will be happy to help.

If I am a member of NRoSO, do I need to do the SQC course?

No. To meet Standard 2.15 through NRoSO membership, you need to maintain the NRoSO annual CPD requirement of 11 points per year. This can (but does not have to) include the NRoSO BASIS accredited Annual Sprayer Training Course.

You are also welcome to attend the SQC Annual Sprayer Training Course.

SQC intends to apply for NRoSO and BASIS points for the SQC Annual Sprayer Training Course from 2027, with the aim that it will count towards the NRoSO annual CPD requirement in future.