



Vermont Maple Sugar Makers' Association

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Maple Syrup Quality for Sugar Makers With Mark Isselhardt, UVM Extension & Jason Lilley, UMaine Extension

Friday, November 6, 2026

8:30am – 4:30pm

LOCATION: Vermont State University, Green 224 & 228, Randolph VT

Morning coffee & pastries and lunch will be provided.

- 8:30 - 9:00am.....Check in & refreshments
- 9:00 - 10:00am.....Introductions and review of the day
- 10:00 - 10:30am.....Hands-on grading exercises
- 10:30 - 11:15am.....Density: lecture and hands-on exercise
- 11:15- 11:45am.....Standard flavors & the map of maple
- 11:45 - 12:30pm.....Lunch break
- 12:30 - 1:00pm.....A conversation on clarity & filtering
- 1:00 - 1:45pm.....Color: lecture & hands-on exercise
- 1:45 - 2:15pm.....State and federal regulations, lead, Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA), chemical safety
- 2:15 - 2:30pm.....BREAK
- 2:30 - 3:30pm.....Off-Flavors: lecture & tasting
- 3:30 - 4:15pm.....one last hands-on grading exercise
- 4:15 - 4:30pm.....Discussion & evaluation of the day
- 4:30pm.....Head home!