

STANISLAUS COUNTY PESTICIDE REGULATORY COMPLIANCE REMINDERS 2022

1. Restricted materials permits are issued to growers or their authorized representatives who have been certified to use restricted materials. Pest control dealers and agricultural pest control businesses must have a copy of the permit in their possession prior to sale, delivery, or application of restricted materials. Annual operator identification numbers are issued to growers or their authorized representatives for the use of non-restricted materials only. Pest control dealers and agricultural pest control businesses must have a copy of the operator identification number in their possession prior to sale, delivery, or application of non-restricted materials. (3CCR6568/3CCR6632)
2. Pesticide application restrictions for production agricultural use apply to Private Schools, K-12, Monday through Friday, during the hours of 6:00 am - 6:00 pm, refer to Title 3. California Code of Regulations, Section 6691 for restrictions on distance, application equipment, and the type of pesticide applied. (For application requirements near a public school, see Title 3. California Code of Regulations, Sections 6690-6692)
3. NOI Waivers - Approval must be granted by the Agricultural Commissioner's office prior to the commencement of application. Less than 24 hours' notice may be approved on a case by case basis if it is determined that the nature of the commodity or pest problem where effective pest control cannot be attained or when 24 hours are not necessary to adequately evaluate the intended application. (3CCR 6434)
4. Pesticide use reports must be submitted for all the applications made by the grower or grower's employee by the 10th day of the month following the month in which the work was performed. All agricultural pest control businesses shall report the pesticide applications made within 7 days of completion. (3CCR 6626/6627)
5. Paraquat Label Changes for Certified Applicators. Paraquat dichloride is a California Restricted Material and a federally Restricted Use Pesticide (RUP). The product is for use ONLY by a certified applicator and prohibits use by uncertified persons working under the supervision of a certified applicator. This restriction applies to all Paraquat handling activities (including mixing, loading, and applying). A grower or grower's employee must possess one of the following: Private Applicator Certificate (PAC), Qualified Applicator License (QAL) or Qualified Applicator Certificate (QAC). Pest Control Business employees must have a QAL or QAC with the appropriate category. Certified applicators handling Paraquat must pass and obtain a certificate of completion of "How to Safely Use and Handle Paraquat" from the following website: [https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-worker-safety/paraquat-dichloride-training\[1\]certified-applicators](https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-worker-safety/paraquat-dichloride-training[1]certified-applicators) (retain for your records). (FAC 12973)
6. Before use of fumigants containing the active ingredients of metam sodium or metam potassium, or dazomet, the property operator or the property operator's designated agent must complete a Department of Pesticide Regulation approved metam potassium/metam sodium stewardship certification training within the previous 12 months of the date of application and hold a valid certified applicators license or certificate as well as any additional pesticide label required certifications, ie: EPA training. <https://www.epa.gov/soil-fumigants/soil-fumigant-training-certified-applicators> (FAC 12973)
7. Reminder-All sales of chlorpyrifos products to growers in California ended on Feb. 6, 2020. Growers will no longer be allowed to possess or use chlorpyrifos products in California after Dec. 31, 2020. A few products that apply chlorpyrifos in granular form, representing less than one percent of agricultural use of chlorpyrifos, will be allowed to remain on the market. Granular applications must be immediately incorporated and clean-up granules that are spilled during loading or are visible on the soil surface in turn areas. For more information please see: <https://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/pressrls/2019/100919.htm>
8. Changes to Authorized Representatives to whom a Restricted Material Permit was issued to, must be reflected on the permit as soon as they occur.
9. Bee Protection - Pesticide applicators, Pest Control Businesses and Pest Control Advisors can use the BeeWhere web site to obtain contact information for beekeepers with colonies within a mile of an upcoming pesticide application. – Log on to <https://beewhere.calagpermits.org/> using your calagpermits login information or call our office to assist you with the bee check.