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Pesticide Use Enforcement



Contra Costa Clean Water Program Presentation for Municipal Operations Committee

What does Contra Costa County Ag Dept do?

How to verify licenses

Reporting misuse of pesticides

Pesticide Disposal

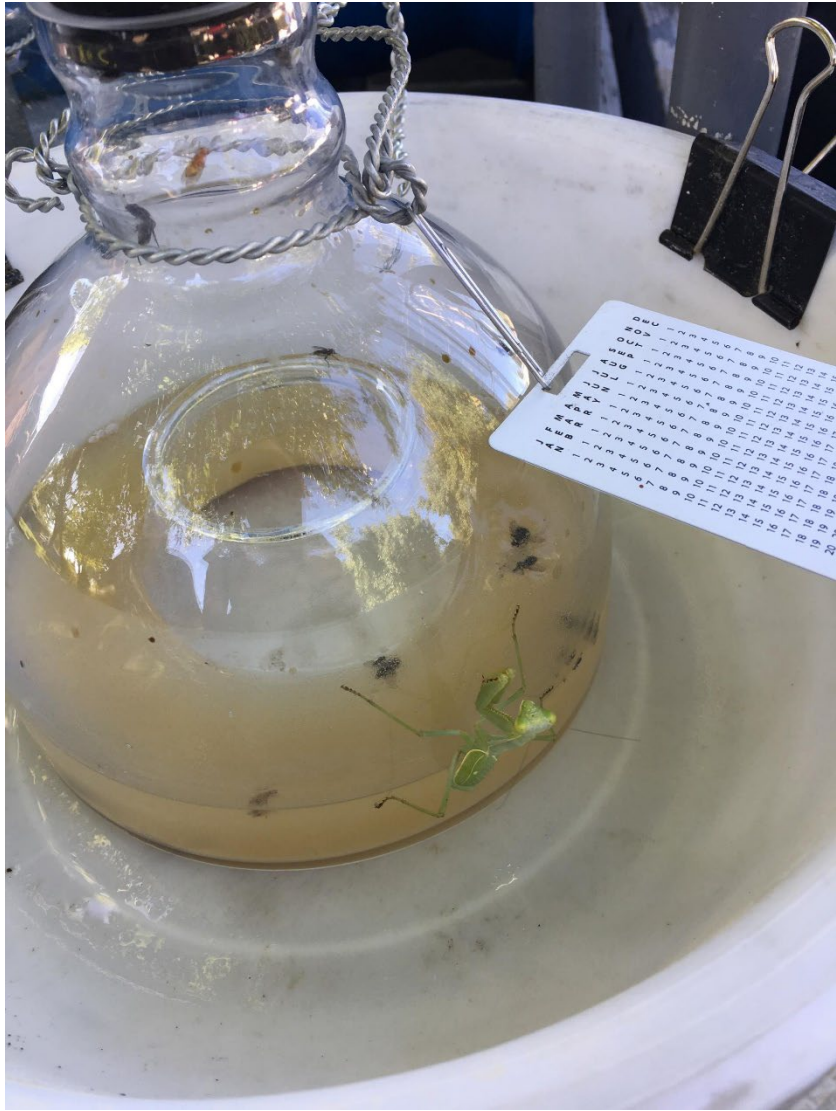
HHW, Contract Hauler, Event for Growers

June 20, 2023

What does the Contra Costa County Dept of Agriculture/ Weights & Measures do?

County Ag Commissioner (CAC)

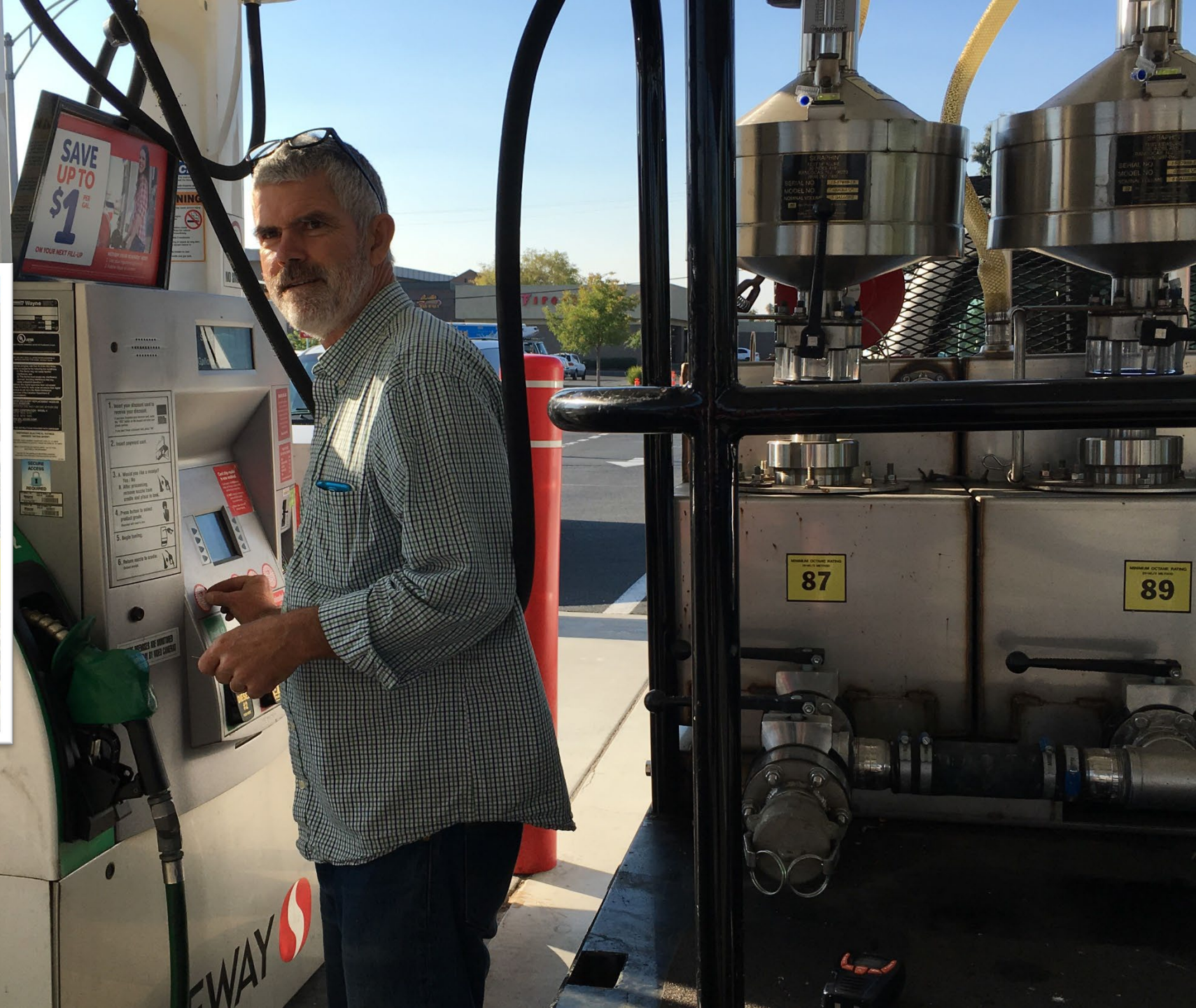






Artichoke Thistle 7/70
CDFA/IPC- J.P. Clark





What kinds of inspections do we conduct?



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Inspe

A black metal cabinet with several drawers, each with a handle. It is standing on a light-colored surface.



Jurisdictions we conduct headquarters inspections with:

- Cities of **Antioch, Brentwood, Clayton, Concord, El Cerrito, Hercules, Lafayette, Martinez, Oakley, Orinda, Pinole, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill, Richmond, San Pablo, San Ramon and Walnut Creek**
- Towns of **Danville and Moraga**
- **County of Contra Costa**

Blue: OP Id / Permit

Black: no permit



Permits

Operator ID

Restricted Material Permit

Current year + 2 years



Contra Costa County Department of Agriculture
2380 Bisso Lane Suite A
Concord, CA 94520

DRAFT

Office Phone (925) 608-6600

Fax (925) 646-6620

Web <http://www.cccounty.us/1542/Agriculture-Weights-Measures>

Recorder (925) 608-6600
(NOIs)

Operator Identification Number 7-21-070646C

Operator:FAKE FARM (COUNTY TEST)

1234 Farm St
Brentwood, CA 94513

Agent:GUY, FAKE

Certified Applicator: Pattie, Lucas

, CA

Type of Use:Agricultural Use

070646C-2021-Version: 2

County District #:C

Issued on:

Valid as of:4/29/2021

Expires on:12/31/2021

Primary Phone: (925) 555-5555

Alternate Phone:

Mobile Phone:

Fax:

Phone:

License #:139211

Expiration:12/31/2021

Employees Handle Pesticides

Permit Conditions:BEE CHECK, NOI-CONCORD, MSR, 2,4-D/Dicamba, Air, Ground

See condition detail for code descriptions.

Regulatory Notes:

This is not a real Restricted Materials Permit.

This is an example used for training.

I understand this operator identification number does not relieve me from liability for any damage to persons or property caused by the use of pesticides. I acknowledge that duly authorized representatives from the County Department of Agriculture or the Department of Pesticide Regulation may, at reasonable times, enter and inspect fields, areas, structures, greenhouses and equipment (including protective clothing and equipment) where pesticides are handled, stored or applied (ref. 3 CCR 6140).

What is an Operator ID (OID)?

An OIN is an “identification” number issued to property operators and entered on their pesticide use report.

The OIN is issued specifically for management of pesticide use data to identify a unique entity.

The CAC issues an OIN to the operator of the property in order to purchase and use pesticides.



Alternatives and Mitigation Measures

Purpose: CCR 6426 requires a permit applicant and their pest control advisor to consider feasible alternatives to the use of restricted materials.

Restricted Material (A.I.)	Non-chemical pest management practice alternative considered	Reduced risk chemical alternatives considered



How to verify licenses

Reports

Licenses and certificates, complete list indexed by name of the person licensed, or business license

Individual

Click arrow to make a selection ▼

The same list, but limited to [individuals issued licenses in past 15 days](#)

Business

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The same list, but limited to [businesses issued licenses in past 15 days](#)

Licenses and certificates indexed by county

Individual

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CCR 6000 "**Branch location**" means any location, other than the principal place of business, operated by a pest control dealer or agricultural pest control operator to carry out licensed activities in California.

How to verify licenses

Structural Pest Control Operations – Structural Pest Control Board

The screenshot shows the website for the Structural Pest Control Board (SPCB). The header includes the SPCB logo and navigation links: About Us, Consumer Info, Online Services, Forms/Pubs, Exams, Continuing Education, and Search. The main content area features the title 'The Structural Pest Control Board' and contact information for the board, including address, phone numbers, and email addresses. A 'Connect With Us' section includes social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and Email. A 'What's New' section lists recent updates. A 'CONSUMERS HOW DO I...' menu is visible, with 'verify a license?' highlighted by a red circle.

Structural Pest Control Board
2005 Evergreen Street, Ste. 1500
Sacramento, CA 95815
pestboard@dca.ca.gov
pestboardinsurance@dca.ca.gov
pestboardenforcement@dca.ca.gov

Licensing (916) 561-8704
Enforcement/Complaints (916) 561-8708
Administration (916) 561-8700
WDO Unit (916) 561-8750
Fax (916) 263-2469
Toll Free 1-800-737-8188


Connect With Us

What's New

- ▶ [ALERT – Disclosure of Disciplinary Action, Arrest, or Conviction](#)
- ▶ [SPCB Strategic Plan](#)
- ▶ [SUNSET REPORT 2022](#)
- ▶ [ALERT – Workers' Compensation Insurance Business and Professions Code Update](#)
- ▶ [NEWS RELEASE – Structural Pest Control Board Appoints New Registrar](#)

CONSUMERS HOW DO I...

- ▶ **verify a license?**
- ▶ [search for termite inspection information?](#)
- ▶ [file a complaint with the Board?](#)
- ▶ [obtain research information?](#)



3CCR 6618(b). Notice of Applications (for WORKERS)

Notifications required must be given orally or in writing and be completed prior to the use of any pesticide and in ample time for all subsequent notifications to be made and for all persons notified to take appropriate actions.

- (1) Each person performing pest control shall assure that the operator of the property receives notice of the scheduled application. The notice must be in a manner the person can understand and include:
 - (A) The date of the scheduled application;
 - (B) The identity of the pesticide (including spray adjuvants, if applicable) by brand or common chemical name; and
 - (C) Any other precautions printed on the pesticide product labeling or included in applicable laws or regulations related to the protection of employees or other persons during the application.

- (2) The operator of the property shall assure that notice is given to all persons who are on the property to be treated, or who may enter during the application or the period of time that any restrictions on entry are in effect, except for the persons who made or supervised the application for which the notice is intended. The notice must be in a manner the person can understand and include:
 - (A) The date of the scheduled application;
 - (B) The identity of the pesticide (including spray adjuvants, if applicable) by brand or common chemical name; and
 - (C) Precautions to be observed as printed on the pesticide product labeling or included in applicable laws or regulations related to the entry of the treated area.

Notification – to the public

Food and Ag Code §12978.

Pesticide applications on public property which take place on school grounds, parks, or other public rights-of-way where public exposure is foreseeable shall be posted with warning signs. The signs shall be in English and Spanish and shall contain a warning that the area has been treated with a pesticide and that individuals are not to enter the area.

(a) This section shall apply to all pesticide applications which have worker reentry intervals of at least 24 hours.

(b) Posting shall be accomplished immediately prior to pesticide applications, and the signs shall be removed within 24 hours after the expiration of the reentry interval.

(c) Signs shall be posted at regular intervals and at all regular points of public entry.

(d) The agency with responsibility for the property where the pesticide application is to take place shall post the warnings required by this section.

(e) The responsible agency may substitute a barrier for the warning signs to exclude public exposure to a treated area.

(f) This section does not apply to pesticide applications by the Department of Transportation on public highway rights-of-way.

HAZARD COMMUNICATION 3 CCR 6723



Safety Rules for Pesticide Handlers in Non-Agricultural Settings

The pesticide label, your training, and the Pesticide Safety Information Series (PSIS) leaflets tell you about pesticide dangers at work. You must be at least 18 years old to mix or load a pesticide that requires an air-supplied respirator, a closed system or full-body chemical-resistant clothing.



EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE

Your employer must make plans for emergency medical care before you start working with pesticides. If you think that pesticides made you sick or hurt you at work, immediately tell your employer. They must make sure that you are taken to a doctor right away. **DO NOT TAKE YOURSELF.**

Emergency medical care is available at:

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
TELEPHONE: _____

If more space is needed to list medical facilities, your employer may attach a list to this leaflet and write, "See attached list" in the above space.

REMEMBER: You DO NOT have to pay for medical care if you get sick or hurt from pesticides at work.

EMPLOYERS: This is the hazard communication leaflet for pesticide handlers. Fill in the blank lines in this leaflet and display a copy of this handout at a central location in the workplace (such as an employee break room). If requested, you must read this leaflet to an employee in a language the employee understands.

WHAT ARE MY RIGHTS?

Your employer must explain your rights to you. If you need help understanding your rights, call or go to your local County Agricultural Commissioner's office, local legal aid and worker's rights organization, union, or the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR).

1. Right to Access and Review Records

You have the right to look at pesticide use records, applicable safety series leaflets, and Safety Data Sheets (SDSs) for all pesticides used in the last two years where you work. A SDS tells you about the pesticide and its dangers. You also have the right to review your training records and any other documents related to monitoring or potential exposure. You must be informed of this location before you handle pesticides and in your annual training.

These records are kept at:

ADDRESS: _____

If this location changes, your employer must promptly tell you of the new location.

2. Right to Worker's Compensation

If you get sick or hurt BECAUSE OF YOUR JOB, you have the right to file for worker's compensation. Worker's compensation will pay for your medical bills, and sometimes, lost pay.

3. Right to Obtain Information

You, your doctor, or your representative designated in writing can receive information about your pesticide exposure or any other pesticide record your employer is required to keep.

4. Right to Report Unsafe Conditions

Pesticide safety for workers is the top priority of the County Agricultural Commissioner and DPR. You have the right to report unsafe pesticide work conditions and suspected use violations without being punished or fired. Your employer will not be told who made the complaint. Your statements about the safety problems must be checked out right away.

5. Right to Be Protected From Retaliation

You are protected from being fired, from discrimination, and from any retaliatory action due to the exercise of any of your rights.



IF YOU THINK

pesticides have made you sick at work, immediately tell your employer. Your employer must make sure that you are taken to the doctor IMMEDIATELY.



Emergency Medical Care

Emergency Medical Care
Contra Costa County Dept. of Agriculture: 925-608-6600
National Poison Control Center: 800-523-2222

CENTRAL COUNTY

Contra Costa Regional Medical Center
2500 Alhambra Ave. Martinez, Ca.
Phone: 925-370-5000

John Muir Medical Center–Concord
2540 East St. Concord, Ca.
Phone: 925-682-8200

John Muir Medical Center–Walnut Creek
1601 Yonacio Valley Rd. Walnut Creek, Ca.
Phone: 925-939-3000

Kaiser Hospital – Walnut Creek
1425 S. Main St. Walnut Creek, Ca.
Phone: 925-295-4000

WEST COUNTY

Kaiser Hospital – Richmond
901 Nevin Ave. Richmond, Ca.
Phone: 510-307-1500

EAST COUNTY

Kaiser Hospital – Antioch
4501 Sand Creek Rd. Antioch, Ca.
Phone: 925-813-6500

Sutter Delta Medical Center
3901 Lone Tree Way Antioch, Ca
Phone: 925-779-7200

SOUTH COUNTY

San Ramon Regional Medical Center
6001 Norris Canyon Rd. San Ramon, Ca.
Phone: 925-275-9200

URGENT CARE FACILITIES

(No Pesticide Decontamination)
U.S. Health Works Urgent Care - Concentra
1855 Gateway Blvd. Suite 100 Concord, Ca.
Phone: 925-685-7744

U.S. Health Works Medical Group - Concentra
3140 Balfour Rd. Suite C
Brentwood, Ca.
Phone: 925-626-3801

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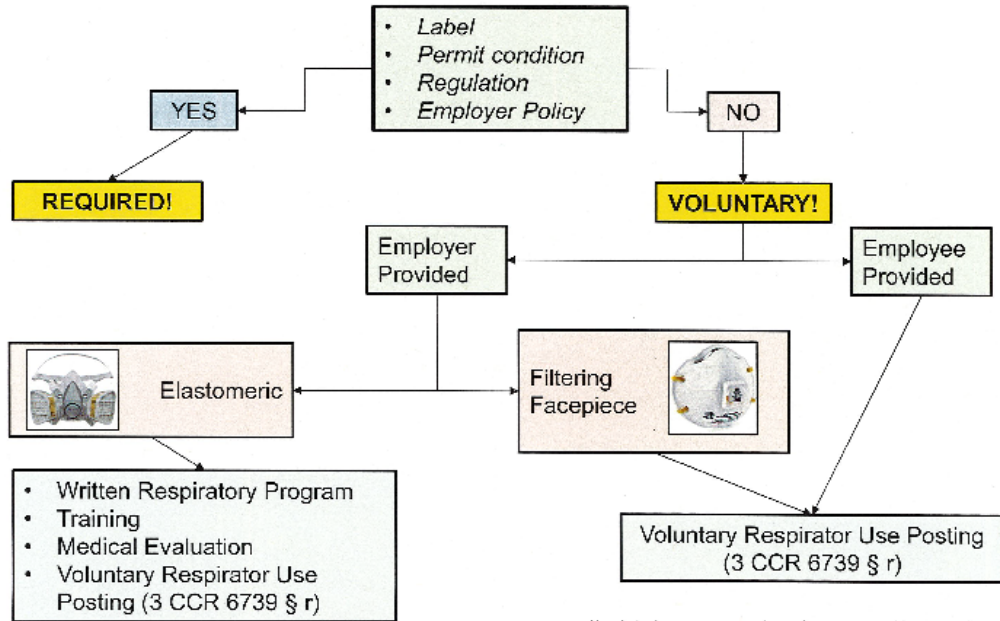
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- Phone number



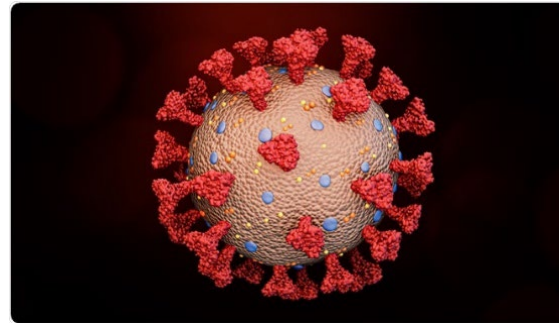
Respiratory Protection Program



Required vs. Voluntary Use of Respirators 3 CCR 6739



“The Dealer recommended it!”



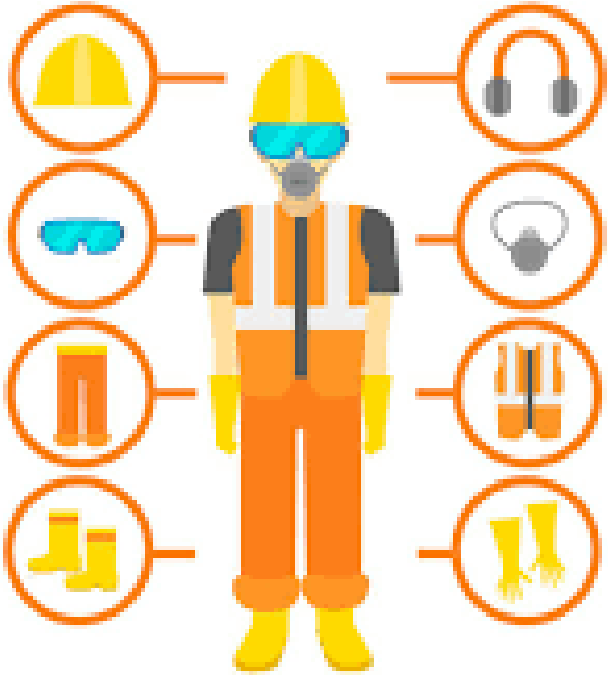
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Personal Protective Equipment



ALWAYS REFERENCE THE LABEL!



dpr Glove Category Selection Key

Label code	Materials Required by Law	Material Code
A	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8	1 Laminate
B	1,2	2 Butyl
C	1,2,3,4,7,8	3 Nitrile
D	1,2	4 Neoprene
E	1,3,4,8	5 Natural
F	1,2,3,8	6 Polyethylene
G	1,8	7 PVC
H	1,8	8 Viton

All but Laminate and Polyethylene must be 14 mils or thicker.



Storage Postings

Meets Requirement



POISON STORAGE AREA

**ALL UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS
KEEP OUT**

KEEP DOOR LOCKED WHEN NOT IN USE

Not enough Information



Meets Requirement



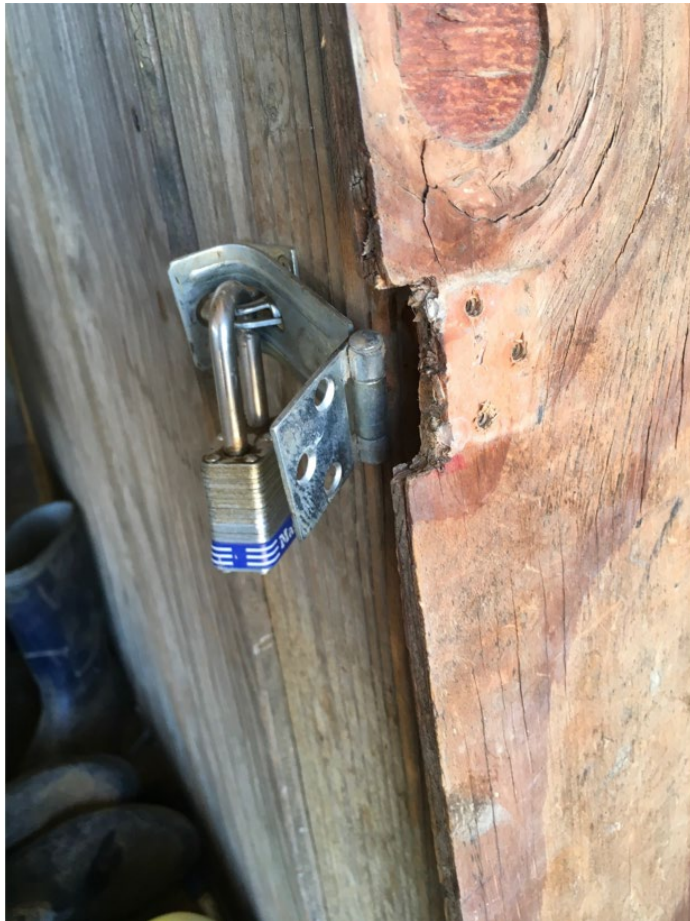
VENENO

ÁREA DE ALMACÉN DE PESTICIDAS

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MANTÉNGASE ALEJADOS**

MANTEGA LA PUERTA CERRADA CUANDO NO ESTE EN USO

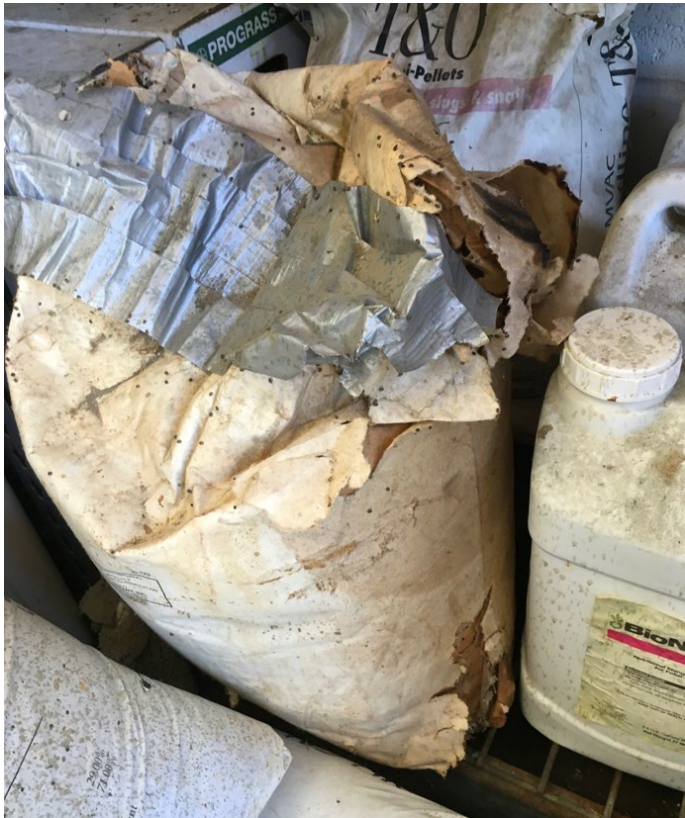
Pesticide Storage: Locked & Secured



Pesticide Storage: Proper Containers



Pesticide Storage: Containers Labeled and Tightly Secured





Pesticide Storage: Service Container Labeling

1. Signal Word
2. Responsible Party
(Name & Address)
3. Chemical Identity



Pesticide Disposal Options

Use it up

HHW – Business (form & fee)

Contract with HM Hauler

Event for Growers

- To dispose of unwanted pesticides or those that they can no longer legally use or even possess
- Fall 2023
- APPT ONLY IN EAST COUNTY

ACCELERATING

SUSTAINABLE PEST MANAGEMENT:

A ROADMAP FOR CALIFORNIA



SPM - Urban Subgroup

While most people associate pesticide use with agricultural settings, there is significant use and impact in urban settings.

Nonagricultural uses

- 35-55 % of pesticide sales (pounds sold)

- 16-19 % of reported pesticide use (#s applied by licensed applicators)

- 65-75 % of reported pesticide-related illnesses.

DPR invited nine leaders to collaboratively develop guidance on where and how to focus DPR resources, as well as other recommendations for ways that DPR and other entities might support urban sustainable pest management in California.

Illness Investigations



+ Ammonia cleaning product

Produces chlorine gas -
inhalation exposure



Accidental ingestion - Pesticides
poured into food/drink
containers

Misuse of Pesticides



Non-Emergency – call local
Agricultural Commissioner's office
Contra Costa Co (925) 608-6600



Enforcement/Complaints: (916) 561-8708



(916) 324-4100 or CDPRWeb@cdpr.ca.gov

Raptor Perch Project 2009

City of Concord and City of Walnut Creek
Lime Ridge Open Space and Borges Ranch





Questions?

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