

KERN COUNTY - GENERAL PERMIT CONDITIONS

THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS APPLY TO ALL KERN COUNTY OPERATOR IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS AND RESTRICTED MATERIALS PERMITS

I. DRIFT PREVENTION

- a. No pesticide application shall be made or continued if the material is unable to be confined to the target area.
- b. The applicator is responsible for utilizing buffer zones and other mitigation measures to prevent drift or other hazards.
- c. Apply only when wind speed is less than 10 mph at application site.
- d. Discharge shall start only after entering site.
- e. Discharge shall stop prior to exiting site.

II. SCHOOL BUFFER ZONES and RESTRICTIONS

- a. **No applications of Restricted Materials are to be made within ¼ mile of a school in session or during school sponsored activities when children are present.**
- b. No restricted material may be applied at a school site while school is in session or during school sponsored activities when children are present.
*Notice of Intents must document communication with school personnel confirming that the school will not be in session and no school sponsored activities will be taking place during the time of the proposed application or the NOI will be denied.

III. SCHOOL NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS AND USE RESTRICTIONS FOR PESTICIDE USE NEAR SCHOOLSITES (CCR SECTIONS 6690, 6691, 6692)

- a. Growers and pest control businesses are prohibited from making certain pesticide applications within ¼ mile of public K-12 school sites/licensed child day care facilities Monday through Friday between 6am and 6pm. This includes all applications by aircraft, sprinklers, air-blast sprayers, and all fumigant applications.
- b. Growers with fields within ¼ mile of a public K-12 school sites/licensed child day care facilities must provide an annual school notification (which lists all the pesticides expected to be used during the upcoming July through June period. This must be provided to the principal or licensed child day care facility administrator, as well as county agricultural commissioner, by April 30 each year).
- c. Field fumigations within ¼ mile of a school site must be completed at least 36 hours before the start of classes.

IV. AERIAL APPLICATIONS

No aerial applications of Restricted Materials are to be made within 1/4 mile of:

- a residential area
- occupied labor camp
- other areas designated by the Commissioner

V. GROWER / EMPLOYER – Responsibilities

- a. The permittee (grower) shall provide a copy of his Restricted Materials Permit to each of his Pest Control Operators and pesticide dealers.

- b. The "Notice of Intent" may be submitted by the person making the application, but the final responsibility for filing rests with the Permittee.
- c. A completed copy of the Pesticide Safety Information Series (PSIS-A8) pertaining to Hazard Communication information for employees handling pesticides shall be displayed by the employer. All other Appropriate "Pesticide Safety Information Leaflets" shall be accessible to employees who handle pesticides.
- d. A completed copy of the Pesticide Safety Information Series (PSIS-A9) pertaining to Hazard Communication for field workers shall be displayed at the work site and all decontamination facilities servicing 11 or more fieldworkers.
- e. Applications of all pesticides by the grower or his employees must be followed by a Pesticide Use Report for each site location within ten (10) days after the end of the month. Failure to submit Use Reports may result in enforcement action such as permit cancellation and Agricultural Civil Penalty Fines.

VI. **ALMOND – BEE PROTECTION POLICY**

Because of the necessity for bees to pollinate almonds and the need to treat crops nearby, the following procedures will be in effect: Applications of Carbaryl (Sevin®) shall not be made within one mile of almond orchards that are being pollinated by bees, except when there are no blooming plants (including weed bloom) in the treatment area. (A statement of this condition must be on the PCA's written recommendation). For all other applications of pesticides toxic to bees, the applicator shall follow label directions.

VII. **PERMIT CONDITIONS FOR TRIBUFOS (DEF and Folex)**

No employee shall be directed or allowed to conduct any activities that may involve human contact with foliage, within the treated area, until seven days after an application of tribufos.

VIII. **48 HOUR NOTICE OF INTENT REQUIRED TO APPLY RESTRICTED MATERIALS IN KERN COUNTY**

The Kern County Department of Agriculture and Measurement Standards will notify adjacent growers of applications of Restricted Materials requiring a Notice of Intent (NOI). Growers proposing applications of Restricted Materials will be provided with information regarding their agricultural neighbors. Notices of Intent to apply Restricted Materials in Kern County must be submitted 48 hours prior to commencing the use of a pesticide requiring a permit and must include the proposed start time of the application.

IX. **STRYCHNINE USE**

Strychnine use is prohibited on the San Joaquin valley floor in settings such as, but not limited to, school grounds, playing fields and parks.

X. **ALUMINUM AND MAGNESIUM PHOSPHIDE USE**

Use of Aluminum and Magnesium Phosphide for burrowing rodent control is strictly prohibited within 100 feet of a building that is or may be occupied by people or domestic animals.

Applicant's Initials: _____