

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
TRAINING RECORD AND PROGRAM HANDLERS
OF PESTICIDE AND OTHER HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

This leaflet combines the training requirements of the pesticide regulatory program which is enforced by the County Agricultural Commissioner's Office.

The employer must have a written training program which describes the training materials used in the program (e.g., study guides, labels, material safety data sheets, pesticide safety information series, videotapes, pamphlets, and slides) and the information that will be provided to train employees. A record of this training must be completed before employees are allowed to work with these materials, must continually be updated to cover any new pesticides that will be used, and repeated at least annually thereafter. On the next four pages is a training program format which contains the required elements and may be used to document training for each employee.

The trainer of pesticide handler/field workers shall be properly qualified to conduct training.

PESTICIDE SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM AND RECORD

This is the written training program for the employees of _____ who handle pesticides. The following materials will be used to train employees:

As a part of my training, my Instructor has reviewed with me the following Pesticide Safety Information Series (PSIS).

- A-1 Safety Requirements for Pesticide Handlers in Agricultural Settings.
- A-2 Pesticide Storage, Transportation & Disposal in Agricultural Settings.
- A-3 Engineering Controls in Agricultural Settings
- A-4 First Aid and Decontamination in Agricultural Settings
- A-5 Respiratory Protection in Agricultural Settings
- A-7 Laundering of Pesticide Contamination Clothing Following Exposure to Agricultural Pesticides
- A-8 Hazard Communication Information for Employees Handling Pesticides in Agricultural Settings
- A-9 Hazard Communication Information for Employers with Employees Working in Agricultural Fields
- A-10 Minimal Exposure Pesticides in Agricultural Settings

- N-1 Safety Requirements for Pesticide Handlers in Noncrop Settings
- N-2 Pesticide Storage, Transportation & Disposal in Noncrop Settings
- N-3 Use of Engineering Controls in Noncrop Settings
- N-4 First Aid and Decontamination in Noncrop Settings
- N-5 Respiratory Protection in Noncrop Setting
- N-7 Laundering Pesticide Contaminated Clothing Following Use of Nonagricultural Pesticides
- N-8 Hazard Communication Requirements for Employees Handling Pesticides in Noncrop Setting

As part of my training, my instructor has reviewed with me the following Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and labels of the pesticides listed below (note the date training was given, and check that SDS and label were used in training employees):

Pesticides	Date	Label	SDS		Pesticides	Date	Label	SDS

Training shall be completed before the employee is allowed to handle pesticides, continually updated to cover any new pesticides that will be handled, and repeated at least annually thereafter. The training record shall be retained for a period of two years at a central location at the workplace accessible to the employee. The following page lists the training topics to be covered with the employee.

Employer _____

Signature _____

Employee _____

Signature _____

Trainer _____

Signature _____

Assigned to Job Duties: _____ Pesticide Applicator _____ Pesticide Mixer/Loader
 _____ Pesticide Flagger _____ Other Pesticide Handler

TRAINING TOPICS FOR HANDLERS OF PESTICIDES

The Training shall be in a manner the employee can understand and shall cover for each pesticide or chemically similar group of pesticides to be used: (Pesticides - this includes insecticides, herbicides, fungicides, bactericides, fumigants, etc.)

1. Format and meaning of information, such as precautionary statements about human health hazards, contained in pesticide product labeling;
2. Applicator's responsibility to protect persons, animals, and property while applying pesticides; and not to apply pesticides in a manner that results in contact with persons not involved in the application process.
3. Need for, limitations, appropriate use, and sanitation of, any required personal protective equipment.
4. Safety requirements and procedures, including engineering controls (such as closed systems and enclosed cabs) for handling, transporting, storing, and disposing of pesticides and spill cleanup.
5. Where and in what forms pesticides may be encountered, including treated surfaces, residues on clothing, personal protective equipment, application equipment, and drift.
6. Hazards of pesticides, including acute and chronic effects, delayed effects, and sensitization, as identified in pesticide product labeling, Safety Data Sheets, or Pesticide Safety Information Series Leaflets.
7. Routes by which pesticides can enter the body.
8. Signs and symptoms of overexposure.
9. Routine decontamination procedures when handling pesticides, including that employees should:
 - a) Wash hands before eating, drinking, using the toilet, chewing gum, or using tobacco
 - b) Thoroughly wash or shower with soap and water
 - c) Change into clean clothes as soon as possible
 - d) Wash work clothes separately from other laundry before wearing them again.
10. How Safety Data Sheets provide hazard, emergency medical treatment, and other information about the pesticides with which employees may come in contact.
11. The hazard communication program requirements of section 6723.
12. The purposes and requirements for medical supervision if organophosphate or carbamate pesticides with the signal word "DANGER" or "WARNING" on the label are mixed, loaded, or applied for the commercial or research production of an agricultural plant commodity.
13. First aid and emergency decontamination procedures and emergency eye flushing techniques; and if pesticides are spilled or sprayed on the body to wash immediately with decontamination supplies and as soon as possible, wash or shower with soap and water and change into clean clothes.
14. How to obtain emergency medical care.
15. Prevention, recognition, and first aid for heat-related illness in accordance with Title 8 of the California Code of Regulation, Section 3395.
16. Requirements of this Chapter and Chapter 4 relating to pesticide safety, Safety Data Sheets, and Pesticide Safety Information Series leaflets.
17. The requirement that handlers of pesticides used in the commercial or research production of an agricultural commodity must be at least 18 years of age.
18. Environmental concerns such as drift, runoff, and wildlife hazards.

19. Field posting requirements and restricted entry intervals when pesticides are applied for the commercial or research production of an agricultural commodity.
20. The employees should not take pesticides or pesticide containers home from work.
21. Potential hazards to children and pregnant women from pesticide exposures, including that:
 - a) Children and nonworking family members should keep away from treated areas.
 - b) After performing handling activities or after working in a treated area, employees should remove boots or shoes before entering the home and remove work clothes.
 - c) Employees should wash or shower before physical contact with children or family members.
22. How to report suspected pesticide use violations.
23. The employee's right, including the right:
 - a) To personally receive information about pesticides to which the employee may be exposed;
 - b) For the employee's physician or employee representative to receive information about pesticides to which the employee may be exposed;
 - c) To be protected against retaliatory action due to the exercise of any of the employee's rights.
 - d) To report suspected use violation to the Department or County Agricultural Commissioner.
24. Other Training Materials used: _____

