



School Notification for Growers Including Organic Growers

Effective January 1, 2018:

For **all applications of pesticides** expected to be made for the production of an agricultural commodity within 1/4 miles of a schoolsite, the operator of the property to be treated shall provide annual notification to the schoolsite and County Agricultural Commissioner

What is a Pesticide?

- Any spray adjuvant (like a sticker/spreader or a surfactant)
- Any substance, or mixture of substances which is intended to be used for defoliating plants, regulating plant growth, or for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest.
- Includes herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, rodenticides, repellents, disinfectants, plant growth regulators, etc.

This includes Exempt Pesticides, products with the active ingredient that do not have an EPA registration number:*

**Exempt Pesticides do not require an Operator ID or Monthly Use Reporting, but will require school notification*

Exempt Material examples:

Castor oil	Eugenol	Potassium sorbate
Cedar oil	Garlic/Garlic oil	Putrescent whole egg solids
Cinnamon/Cinnamon oil	Geraniol	Rosemary/rosemary oil
Citric acid	Geranium oil	Sesame/sesame oil
Citronella	Lauryl sulfate	Sodium chloride
Citronella Oil	Lemongrass oil	Sodium lauryl sulfate
Cloves/Clove oil	Linseed oil	Soybean oil
Corn gluten meal	Malic acid	Thyme/Thyme oil
Corn oil	Mint/mint oil	White pepper
Cottonseed oil	Peppermint/Peppermint Oil	Zinc metal strips
Dried blood	2-Phenethyl propionate	

What does this mean for you?

Are you within a 1/4 mile of a schoolsite?

Do you do any types of applications within that 1/4 mile that may be restricted from 6AM—6PM on Mondays-Fridays?

Who do you need to notify? Where do you get the form?

Questions?

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