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**Pesticide Law Changes**

Many of you were at the ODA update programs in November, but in case you were not they are listed below. Retail stores should take note of the "Storage of Pesticide." Applicators should note the "Notification of Property Damage and Notification of Address Change."

1. Commercial and limited commercial license categories update. Some license categories have few individuals certified in them or are out-of-date so they were combined with other categories or eliminated. Combined categories include:

   1A - Rotary Wing Aircraft and 1B - Fixed Wind Aircraft becomes 1- Aerial Pest Control.

   4A - General Forest Pest Control and 4B - Timber Stand Improvement becomes 4A - Forest Pest Control.

   5A - Industrial Vegetation Control and 5B - Blacktopping becomes 5-Industrial Vegetation Control.

   9A - General Animal Pest Control and 9B - Sheep Dipping and 9C - Animal Quarters Pest Control becomes 9 - Animal Pest Control

Categories Eliminated: 11A - Public Health Pest Control; 11B - Regulatory Pest Control; 11C - Demonstration Pest Control; 11D - Research Pest Control

Category Code Number Changes:
4C - Wood Preservation becomes category 4B - Wood Preservation
11E - Greenhouse Pest Control becomes category 6D - Greenhouse Pest Control

Implementation of changes: The above category changed will not be phased in until the summer of 1999. Therefore recertification plans will not be affected until licensing year 2000. Those having one or more of the combined categories will receive the new
category. Those with categories eliminated will use other use categories or must obtain an appropriate category.

2. Bulk repackaging: Changes were made in the definition of "bulk pesticide" and "bulk repackaging" which will allow bulk repackagers to distribute bulk pesticide in any quantity as long as the container meets the bulk capacity of greater than 55 U.S. gallons. Prior to this bulk repackagers had to sell in quantities greater than 55 U.S. gallons.

3. Pesticide dealer: Records of sales of restricted use pesticides must include the EPA Registration Number. Although record keeping forms requested this information before, the regulation has been changed to require the EPA Registration Number be recorded. Also submitting the report of restricted use pesticide sales has been changed to once a year instead of two times per year. Now this sales report must be submitted to the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) within 31 days following the last day of June each year. The reporting period runs from July 1st to June 30th each year.

4. Notification of property damage: The regulation now required a custom applicator, limited commercial applicator or public operator to report property damage in excess of $500.00 to ODA resulting from his pesticide handling activity. Prior to this the amount of property damage reportable to ODA was $250.00

5. Storage of pesticides: Retail stores shall not display pesticides having a skull and crossbones symbol on the label in such manner as to accessible to children. Prior to this restricted use pesticides were not to be displayed in such manner as to be accessible to children.

6. Notification of address change: Each pesticide application business shall not fail to notify ODA within 7 days of any changes of business address. When the pesticide application business license was developed, no clarification about notification of business address change was included in the regulations. This change corrects the oversight.

7. Applicator records: Records of commercial and limited applicators had the requirement for recording the re-entry date dropped. Now just the date of application is required and any re-entry date does not have to be recorded.

**Pesticide Applicator School**

**Report Form**
Please take a moment to print this form, complete and send back to the PAT office for schools that took place in 1998/99.

COUNTY PAT INFORMATION REPORT FORM

County(ies) _______________________
Agent(s) ______________________

1. Please report the total number of private applicators trained in your county for certification and recertification.

Type of Session:
Certification
Total Number Present ______
Recertification
Total Number Present ______

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2. Please estimate the amount of agent/program assistant time involved in pesticide applicator training: ___________ hrs.
(Includes preparation, presentation, etc.)

3. What Changes have you observed in pesticide practices as a result of your training?
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4. If possible, please estimate the total number of extension clientele in your county(ies) who were provided pesticide education NOT through traditional PAT certification training efforts. (i.e. Urban gardeners, IPM programs, etc.) ___________

5. Do you have a short success story or evaluation data regarding practice changes made by pesticide applicators that you could share for national reports?
Please enclose. (Optional)

Thank you for your time!!

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