

Chapter 7: Structural Fumigation Use Monitoring Inspection Report (PR-ENF-107), Continued

Application phase minimum criteria
(continued)

entry to directly address the requirements that can only be checked from inside the structure. When requirements cannot be directly addressed because entry into the structure cannot be gained, include an explanation on the inspection form. An application phase inspection can still be considered complete if entry into the structure is not possible. All other inspection activities pertaining to this phase that can be addressed without entering the structure must be performed. An application phase inspection must be conducted while the licensee is at the site and before the conclusion of the fumigant release in order to be considered a complete inspection.

Aeration phase minimum criteria

The minimum inspection activities that must be performed during the opening/aeration phase are:

- 1) Observe the breaking of the tarpaulin seal and compliance with TRAP;
- 2) Determine compliance with the records requirements at the site; and
- 3) Determine compliance or non-compliance of all pesticide regulatory and labeling requirements on the inspection form pertaining to the opening phase. Request the licensee sign the inspection form at the site.

The only exception to the minimum criteria is when the inspector misses the breaking of the tarpaulin seal. The inspection can still be considered complete if the licensee is at the site and the inspector can perform all of the remaining inspection activities pertaining to this phase.

Certification/clearing phase minimum criteria

The minimum inspection activities that must be performed during the certification/clearing phase are:

- 1) Be present when the licensee certifies the structure safe for reentry;
- 2) Verify that the reentry certification has been properly completed; and
- 3) Verify the proper posting of the attic and/or basement. Request the licensee to sign the inspection form at the site.

Tarpaulin inspections

Tarpaulin inspections, verifying placement of signs, or other inspection activities that do not qualify as complete inspections are considered partial inspections. See Tarp/Aeration Check at the end of this chapter.

Requirements

1. Registered in County FAC § 15204.5(a)

Scope: All Branch 1 structural pest control companies registered with the Structural Pest Control Board (SPCB) and performing structural pest control in the county. This regulation applies to the use of all pesticides as well as non-pesticide methods of pest control.

Determine if the structural pest control company has registered with the agricultural commissioner prior to performing structural pest control for hire in your county. FAC § 15204.5(b) requires that all licensees and applicators be listed on the registration form. This can be accomplished by reviewing the company's records on file. The registration should cover a calendar year unless the structural pest control company's licensee specifies a shorter time. Branch offices working in your county must also be registered.

Exemptions: None

2. County Notified 24 Hours Prior FAC § 15204.5(d)

Scope: All fumigations by registered structural pest control companies.

Has a complete notice been properly submitted at least 24 hours prior to the start of operations stating the date and place the fumigation will take place?

Exemptions: The commissioner may choose to waive the notice requirement.

3. Written Notice to Occupant B&P Code § 8538

Scope: All applications of any pesticide by registered structural pest control companies.

The written notice must be provided to the owner/agent at least 48 hours prior to fumigation. If possible, interview the owner or occupant of the structure (house, apartment complex, etc.) and ask to review the written notice. The licensee performing the application may be the only person available. In this case, you should interview the licensee to determine if the notice has been provided. If a Branch 3 company gave the notice, the Branch 1 licensee on site will usually have a copy of it, but may not. In this case, ask the Branch 1 licensee for contact information for the Branch 3 licensee and follow up later by going to their office or requesting by phone that they fax you a copy. See code for required information.

Exemptions: None.