MINIMAL EXPOSURE PESTICIDES

TRADE NAMES ARE INCLUDED IN THE INTEREST OF SIMPLICITY. OTHER PRODUCTS WITH THE SAME COMPOUND AS AN ACTIVE INGREDIENT ARE ALSO SUBJECT TO THE MINIMAL EXPOSURE PESTICIDE SAFETY USE REQUIREMENTS. REFER TO TITLE 3, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS (3 CCR) SECTION 6793.

Bromoxynil (Buctril, Bronate)          Folpet
Oxydemeton-methyl (Metasystox-R)      Propargite (Omite, Omite CR, Comite)

EXEMPTIONS
• Folpet - When contained in or added to paints, coatings, or caulkling compounds

CONDITIONS OF USE
• Oxydemeton-methyl to landscape trees and shrubs - trunk injection or soil injection methods only
• Oxydemeton-methyl shall not be applied within a greenhouse
• Propargite shall not be applied within a greenhouse

MINIMAL EXPOSURE PESTICIDE SAFETY USE REQUIREMENTS

• The employer shall provide a clothing change area and instructions, as required by section 6732, for employees handling minimal exposure pesticides for any period of time, regardless of the product's toxicity category.
• The employer shall provide washing facilities, as specified in section 6734, where minimal exposure pesticides are mixed or loaded, regardless of the product's toxicity category.
• The employer shall provide and maintain work clothing, as specified in section 6736, and require it to be worn, regardless of the toxicity category.
• The employer shall provide a closed system, as defined in section 6000, and require its use by all employees who mix, load or transfer liquid formulations or load diluted liquid mixes derived from dry formulations of minimal exposure pesticides, regardless of the product's toxicity category. The requirements of this subsection do not apply to:
  o Employees who handle a total of one gallon or less of these pesticides per day exclusively in original containers of one gallon or less; or
  o Regulatory personnel collecting samples of these pesticides according to official sampling procedures.
• The employer shall provide and require employees to wear full-body chemical-resistant protective clothing, as specified in section 6738(g), when handling minimal exposure pesticides. Employees working in the following situations are not required by this subsection to wear chemical-resistant full-body protective clothing, but this clothing shall be present at the work site:
  o Employees using a closed system or sealed water soluble packets, while mixing, loading or transferring these pesticides. These employees shall wear a chemical-resistant apron, chemical-resistant gloves, and chemical-resistant boots.
  o Employees working as applicators in enclosed cabs;
  o Employees working as flaggers in enclosed vehicles;
  o Applicators using vehicle mounted or towed equipment to inject or incorporate these pesticides into the soil; and
  o Applicators using equipment with vehicle mounted spray nozzles directed downward and located below the level of the employee.
• The employer shall provide and require employees to wear respiratory protection, as specified in section 6739, when engaged in:
  o Hand application or ground application of minimal exposure pesticides, except:
    ▪ Applicators using vehicle mounted or towed equipment to inject or incorporate these pesticides into the soil; and
    ▪ Applicators using equipment with vehicle mounted spray nozzles directed downward and located below the level of the employee.
  o Flagging during an application of a minimal exposure pesticide, except flaggers in enclosed vehicles; and
  o Mixing or loading dry formulations of minimal exposure pesticides, except mixers or loaders using sealed water soluble packets.
• All protective clothing shall be cleaned inside and out or discarded at the end of the day’s use.

For more information, contact your County Agricultural Commissioner's office.