

## TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS

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### TITLE 3. CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS DIVISION 6. PESTICIDES AND PEST CONTROL OPERATIONS CHAPTER 3. PEST CONTROL OPERATIONS SUBCHAPTER 1. LICENSING

Adopt Article 7. Private Applicators:

#### ARTICLE 7. PRIVATE APPLICATORS

Adopt section 6580 to read:

##### **6580. Certificate Issuance.**

(a) An application for a new private applicator certificate shall be made on the Private Applicator Certificate Application form PR-PML-045 (Rev. 12/04), hereby incorporated by reference, and submitted to the county agricultural commissioner. No application fee is required.

(b) All private applicator certificate applicants shall be required to take and pass the private applicator examination before being issued a certificate.

(c) Notwithstanding section 6500, the commissioner, or Director in the county where there is no commissioner, shall issue a private applicator certificate for a period of up to three years in accordance with Food and Agricultural Code section 14095.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 11456 and 11502, Food and Agricultural Code.

Reference: Sections 14091, 14092, and 14095, Food and Agricultural Code.

Adopt section 6582 to read:

##### **6582. Certificate Renewal.**

(a) A certified private applicator who elects to renew his/her certificate shall:

(1) Submit a Private Applicator Certificate Application form PR-PML-045 (Rev. 12/04), hereby incorporated by reference, to the county agricultural commissioner no sooner than 120 days prior to, and no later than 90 days after, the expiration date; and

(2) Complete continuing education requirements as specified in section 6584 during the time the certificate is valid, or take and pass the private applicator certificate examination.

(b) A certified private applicator who has not renewed his/her private applicator certificate within the timeframe specified in (a)(1) shall be required to take and pass the private applicator examination before being issued a certificate.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 11456 and 11502, Food and Agricultural Code.

Reference: Sections 14093 and 14096, Food and Agricultural Code.

Adopt section 6584 to read:

**6584. Continuing Education Requirements.**

(a) Private applicator certificate holders who elect to renew their certification by obtaining continuing education shall complete the following hours pertaining to the topic areas as described in section 6512(e)(1):

(1) Each private applicator whose certificate has been valid for less than 12 months at the time of renewal is exempt from continuing education requirements applicable to the certificate.

(2) Each private applicator whose certificate has been valid for 12 months to 24 months at the time of renewal shall complete a minimum of four hours, including a minimum of two hours in pesticide laws and regulations.

(3) Each private applicator whose certificate has been valid for 25 months to 36 months at the time of renewal shall complete a minimum of six hours, including a minimum of two hours in pesticide laws and regulations.

(b) The continuing education shall have been obtained in a course or program approved pursuant to section 6512.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 11456, 11502, and 11502.5, Food and Agricultural Code.  
Reference: Section 14096, Food and Agricultural Code.