



# Department of Pesticide Regulation



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TO: COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: REVISED PESTICIDE SAFETY INFORMATION SERIES

The Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) has revised the Pesticide Safety Information Series (PSIS) leaflets to enhance clarity, and to reflect changes to the Pesticide Worker Safety regulations found in the California Code of Regulations (Title 3. Food and Agriculture).

PSIS A-1 was revised to reflect changes to: training requirements for fieldworkers and handlers, hazard communication requirements for fieldworkers and handlers, fieldworker and handler decontamination facility requirements, minimum age requirements, and personal protective equipment (PPE) exemptions.

PSIS N-1 was revised to reflect changes to: training requirements for handlers, hazard communication requirements for handlers, handler decontamination facility requirements, and PPE exemptions.

PSIS A-3 and N-3 were revised to reflect changes to: the enclosed cab definition, PPE exemptions, and closed system regulations.

PSIS A-4 and N-4 were revised to reflect changes to: training requirements for fieldworkers and handlers, requirements for emergency medical care, and fieldworker and handler decontamination facility requirements.

PSIS A-6 and N-6 were revised to reflect changes to PPE exemptions.

PSIS A-7 and N-7 were revised to reflect changes to training requirements for fieldworkers and handlers.

PSIS A-8 and N-8 were revised to reflect changes to: training requirements for handlers, hazard communication and decontamination facility requirements, application-specific information, emergency medical care, and minimum age requirements.

PSIS A-9 was revised to reflect changes to: training requirements for fieldworkers; hazard communication and decontamination facility requirements; requirements for early entry employees; requirements for notice of applications and completed applications, field work during pesticide application, and field entry after scheduled or completed pesticide applications; application-specific information for field workers; field posting requirements; emergency medical care; and minimum age requirements.

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Lastly, the Proposition 65 list of pesticides known by the State to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity was updated and is available on DPR's Proposition 65 Web page at <http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/dept/factshts/prop65.htm>.

The PSIS leaflets, revised December 2018, are considered final and current. Please discard all copies of the previous PSIS leaflets. The revised PSIS leaflets are available in English, Spanish, and Punjabi at <http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/whs/psisenglish.htm>. The PSIS Web page is also available in English, Spanish, and Punjabi.

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