



California Notice 2025-09

TO: Pesticide Registrants and Other Stakeholders

SUBJECT: CalPEST SECOND IMPLEMENTATION LAUNCH AND RENEWAL INFORMATION

The Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) is pleased to announce the second implementation of the California Pesticide Electronic Submission Tracking (CalPEST) system launch is scheduled for Monday, October 6, 2025. This implementation builds upon the foundation established in the first implementation and introduces new features that enhance the system's functionality and improve access to pesticide registration information.

To prepare for this transition, CalPEST will be temporarily unavailable beginning Friday, October 3, at 1:00 PM PDT. This scheduled downtime will allow DPR to load the new features and perform final system checks. The system will reopen with the updated functionality on the morning of October 6.

NEW FEATURES AND FUNCTIONALITY

With this second implementation, CalPEST will support electronic submission of Section 24(c) Special Local Need (SLN) registrations and Section 18 Emergency Exemption requests by registered users. These additions mark a significant step forward in streamlining regulatory processes for applicants. The user interface has also been refined to improve navigation and overall usability.

In addition, the public will gain access to CalPEST information through its new, expanded search capabilities. Members of the public will be able to search for pesticide products, scientific studies, active ingredients, and special regulatory actions.

Another important improvement is the ability to access current accepted product labels through the product information report in the new search feature. While not all labels will be available immediately due to the time required to scan and upload hard copy label files, DPR is working diligently to make these available. Labels that are not yet online can be requested through DPR's Public Records Request Portal, [NextRequest](https://cdprca.nextrequest.com/) <cdprca.nextrequest.com/>, and will subsequently be made available through the CalPEST product information report.

RENEWAL INFORMATION

The annual renewal period for pesticide products begins October 1, 2025. Because of the system downtime over the weekend prior to launch, companies may prefer to wait until the new functionality is live on October 6 before submitting renewals.

Companies are reminded that new products submitted for registration that are finalized before the end of the year must be renewed for the following year. This includes any products registered after a company has completed their annual renewal of previously registered products. A renewal reminder will not be issued. Companies with products ready to be finalized for registration in November will still be given the option to hold their registration until the new year. The company's decision to register before the end of the year or to hold their registration until the next year, once made, is final and cannot be changed. Products ready for registration in December will be held until the new year unless current-year registration is requested by the company before the submission is finalized.

For companies without a registered CalPEST account, DPR will continue to send paper renewal notices. Products that are not renewed by December 31, 2025, will automatically be marked as Inactive. There is no need to notify DPR of products that will not be renewed.

Renewal fees may be paid using a credit card, electronic funds transfer (EFT), or check. Credit card payments are processed immediately and incur an additional 2.3% convenience fee. EFT payments typically take one to three business days, while check payments must be mailed and may take up to two weeks to process after receipt. There are no additional fees for EFT or check payments.

DPR will no longer mail product licenses. Instead, companies will be able to generate on-demand company product licenses for 2026 through CalPEST beginning January 1, 2026.

SUPPORT AND RESOURCES

DPR remains committed to supporting stakeholders throughout this transition. A detailed user guide and a series of walkthrough videos are available on the [CalPEST Home Page](https://cdpr.ca.gov/calpest/) <cdpr.ca.gov/calpest/>. These materials contain the basics for the use of CalPEST and will be revised to reflect the new changes to the system. While updated content is not anticipated to be available until January 2026, most of the changes are consistent with the existing development as documented and expected to be intuitive.

For questions or further clarification, please contact the CalPEST team at CalPEST@cdpr.ca.gov.

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