## Outdoor Pesticide Application Notification

Pesticide applications on lawns or ornamental plants will be accompanied by posting a sign on the property.

Electronic copies of the act and emergency rules to support the act can be found at: www.ddoe.dc.gov/pestrules

For more information about the Loretta Carter Hanes Pesticide Consumer Notification Amendment Act of 2008, or other comments, questions or concerns about pesticides, please contact your pest management professional or call the District Department of the Environment's Pesticide Program at: (202) 535-2294 between 8:30am – 4:30pm Monday through Friday. Please visit the DDOE website: ddoe.dc.gov District Department of the Environment Pesticide Program 1200 First Street, NE 5th Floor Washington, DC 20002

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# Summary of the New Pesticide Notification Requirements in the District of Columbia



#### Loretta Carter Hanes Pesticide Consumer Notification Amendment Act of 2008

On June 11, 2008, the Loretta Carter Hanes Pesticide Consumer Notification Act of 2008 became effective. The Act is intended to:

- Provide information to citizens about the pesti cides that are applied in and around homes;
- Encourage the use of reduced risk pesticides and methods of pest control; and
- Notify citizens of outdoor pesticide applications.

## **Pesticide Safety**

Before a pesticide is applied by a contracted company, the company is required to provide certain information about the pesticide and the application process such as:

- Name, telephone number, and DC pesticide operator license number of the company applying the pesticide
- Name of the person applying the pesticide or active ingredient
- Common name of the pesticide
- National Capitol Poison Control Center phone number (800) 222-1222

• A "Notice of Pesticide Application" before pesticides are applied. This notice contains standard language that indicates if "reduced risk pesticides" are being used and includes an offer to provide additional information about the pesticide being applied.

## **Reduced Risk Pesticides & Application**

The District Department of the Environment (DDOE) has proposed a list of reduced risk pesticides and reduced risk pest control methods.

### **Reduced Risk Pesticides:**

1) Products classified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) as exempt from regulation (these products are discussed in detail in 40 C.F.R. § 152.25 (2008, or as amended), and include only certain active and inert ingredients identified in the C.F.R.

2) Biologically active ingredients in products registered by U.S. EPA.

Registered components of plant incorporated protectants (PIPs), when used according to U.S. EPA-approved label directions.

3) Compounds used according to U.S. EPA's label directions: boric acid, disodium octaborate tetrahydrate, silica gels, or diatomaceous earth; and



4) Non-volatile pesticides in tamper resistant containers.

The most current lists of these methods and ingredients can be found at: www.ddoe.dc.gov/pestrules

## **Reduced Risk Pest Control Methods**

1) Pesticides used for the purpose of rodent control that are placed directly into rodent burrows or placed in areas inaccessible to children or pets; and

2) Pesticides in the form of a non-liquid gel used for the purpose of insect control that are placed in areas inaccessible to children or pets.

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