

SPRAGUE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Baltic, Connecticut

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS REGARDING
PESTICIDE APPLICATION ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

A. Definitions:

1. **Pesticide**: means a fungicide used on plants, an insecticide, a herbicide or a rodenticide, but does not mean a sanitizer, disinfectant, antimicrobial agent or a pesticide bait.
2. **Lawn Care Pesticide**: means a pesticide registered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and labeled pursuant to the federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act for use in lawn, garden and ornamental sites or areas.
3. **Integrated Pest Management**: means use of all available pest control techniques including judicious use of pesticides, when warranted, to maintain a pest population at or below an acceptable level, while decreasing the use of pesticides.
4. **Restricted Use Pesticide**: means any pesticide or pesticide use classified as restricted by the administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency or by the Connecticut Commissioner of Environmental Protection.

B. Integrated Pest Management Plan:

1. The district's integrated pest management plan shall be consistent with the model pest control management plan developed by the Connecticut Commissioner of Environmental Protection pursuant to Section 22a-66l of the Connecticut General Statutes.

C. Notice of Pesticide Application:

1. Parents or guardians of children at Sayles School and/or staff members at Sayles School may register for prior notice of pesticide application at Sayles School.
2. Sayles School shall maintain a registry of persons requesting such notice.
3. Parents or guardians of children in any school and/or staff members at Sayles School who register for prior notice of pesticide application at Sayles School shall be provided notice of each scheduled pesticide application at Sayles School on or before the day that any application of pesticide is to take place.

4. The notice shall include the following information:
 - a. The name of the active ingredient of the pesticide being applied,
 - b. The location of the application on school property,
 - c. The date of the application,
 - d. The name of the school administrator, or designee, who may be contacted for further information.

D. Emergency Pesticide Application:

1. In the event of a threat to human health, the Superintendent may direct that an emergency application of a lawn care pesticide be made without prior notice to parents or guardians of children at Sayles School and/or staff members.
2. In the event of an immediate threat to human health, the Superintendent may direct that an emergency application of a pesticide be made, during regular school hours or during planned activities at school, without prior notice to parents or guardians of children and/or staff members. Such application may only be made if (1) it is necessary to make the application during such period, and (2) such emergency application does not involve a restricted use pesticide.
3. In the event of such emergency application, no child may enter the area of such application until it is safe to do so according to the provisions on the pesticide label.
4. In the event of such emergency application, the provision set forth below in Section F regarding authorized pesticide applicators shall not apply if the Superintendent determines that it is impractical to obtain the services of any such applicator, provided that the application does not involve a restricted use pesticide.

E. Record of Pesticide Application:

1. A copy of the record of each pesticide application at Sayles School shall be maintained at Sayles School for a period of five (5) years, which record shall include the information required by Section 22a-66a of the Connecticut General Statutes, as it may be amended from time to time.

F. Authorized Pesticide Applicator:

1. No person, other than a pesticide applicator with supervisory certification under Section 22a-54 of the Connecticut General Statutes or a pesticide applicator with operational certification under Section 22a-54 under the direct supervision of a supervisory pesticide applicator, may apply pesticide within Sayles School or on the grounds of Sayles School.

G. Prohibition on Use of Lawn Care Pesticides at Sayles School:

There shall be no application of any lawn care pesticide on the grounds of Sayles School, except on an emergency basis, subject to applicable Connecticut statutory and regulatory provisions and the conditions set forth above.

Legal References: Connecticut General Statutes: §10-231a, §10-231b, §10-231d, §19a-79a, §22a-47, §22a-54, §22a-66a, §22a-66l.
United States Code: Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, 7 U.S.C. § 136 et seq.

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