

2009 Tehama County Prune Day

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1 Hour Continuing Ed

- **California issued license - please sign attendance sheet and return completed Cont. Ed Check out form (1/2 sheet)**
- **Private Applicators - sign in attendance sheet, get a receipt if you are from out of county**

Agenda



- **Permits**
- **Online use reports, NOI's**
- **Bee Protection**
- **Dormant Spray Regulations**
- **Respiratory Protection Regulation**

- **Call for Appointment**
- **Private Applicator Certificates R through Z expired 12/2008 - need two hours per year to renew or retake test**
- **Private Applicator certificate needed to use restricted material (CA, US, GW) and to train employees**

Online Use Reports

- Pesticide Use Reports and Notice of Intent (NOI's) can now be sent to Tehama County online



- Password protected access to your permit and use report history and pesticide info
 - No cost
- Call Office for username, password
 - Go online at: www.rmmsweb.com and click on Tehama

Bee Protection

- Applies to pesticides that are toxic to bees
- Label will have use restrictions
- May have to spray when bees not active or remove bloom
- If there is bloom in the area to be treated, you must contact Tri-County Bee Notification Service



Bee Notification

- **Must call 48 hours prior to spray**
- **Glenn County Ag Dept 934-6666, 934-6501**
- **No Dormant Spray cutoff in Tehama County**



Dormant Spray Regulation

- Applies to sprays to dormant trees except oil, B.t. and spinosad
- Must hold runoff water for 72 hours or:
- Obtain a written rec from PCA
- 100 ft buffer to aquatic site
- Wind speed must be 3-10 MPH



Dormant Spray Regulation



- Application by air is not allowed unless the orchard is not accessible by ground or bloom is approaching
- No Dormant sprays are allowed in soil if saturated and NOAA has predicted a storm within 48 hours.



Respiratory Protection Regulation

- Adopted late 2007, enforcement began 2008
- Aligns pesticide respiratory protection regulations with other OSHA uses
- Applies only to employees using NIOSH/MSHA rated respirators
- Voluntary use of dust/mist respirators has minimal requirements (post info sheet)



Respiratory Protection Regulation

- **Employer must have written respiratory protection program**
- **Available online or from our office**
- **Program must have an administrator responsible for overseeing program**
- **Describes respirator use, maintenance and training**

Respiratory Protection Program

- **Employee must complete a confidential medical evaluation and have it reviewed by a Physician or Licensed Health Care Professional (PLHCP)**
- **Employer will receive a medical recommendation from the PLHCP**

Respiratory Protection Regulation

- **Fit Test must be done for each type of respirator that an employee uses**
- **Must be done prior to use, repeated annually, or if conditions change**
- **Commercial Fit Test kits available for purchase or service may be hired out**
- **Keep records for three years**



Respiratory Regulation Protection

- Enclosed cabs are NOT approved for respirator protection
- If a pesticide label requires the use of a respirator, one must be used even in an enclosed cab
- Label requirement stating 'avoid dust/mist', but no respirator may be met with an enclosed cab if properly operated



Respiratory Protection Regulation

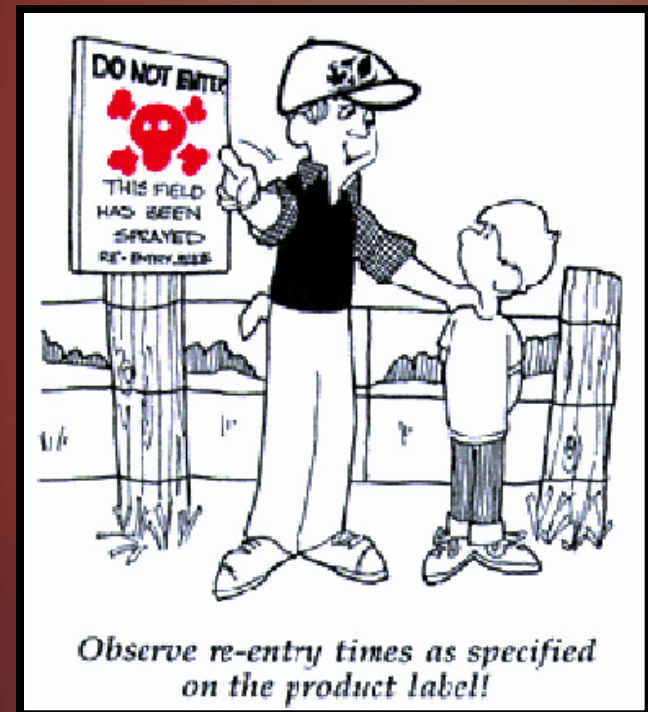
- **Respirators or filters/cartridges must be discarded:**
 - ✓ **at first indication of taste, odor, or irritation**
 - ✓ **according to manufacturer's chemical specific instructions**
 - ✓ **at the end of the work day**

Proposed Notification Regulation

- **Public comment period closed in December**
- **Probably will go into effect this spring**
- **Existing law requires Property Operator to notify employees who may enter or walk within ¼ mile of a treated field**

Notification Regulation

- Proposed Regulation will require notification to people other than employees that the property operator has reason to believe may enter treated fields during the REI
- If you know someone will be in a treated field during an REI
- If you see someone in a treated field during an REI
- Utility, irrigation workers, etc.



Container Recycling

- **Proposed to begin January 1, 2010:
person making first sale of pesticides
into California must have a container
recycling program**
- **Plastic containers less than 55 gallons**

Upcoming Events

* Continuing education credits given for attending these events

- **Sac Valley Olive Day-April, Orland**
- **Tehama Department of Agriculture
Private Applicator Training - November,
December**

- If you have questions, talk to your Advisor, Extension Office, Ag Commissioner
- www.cdpr.ca.gov
- www.cdms.net
- www.rmmsweb.com
- www.co.tehama.ca.us