

WHAT ABOUT CHILD CARE PROPERTY OWNERS?



**Do you own or manage a property where a child care facility is located?
Do you have a pest control, landscape or custodial
service contract, or do you apply pesticides yourself?**

A California law called the Healthy Schools Act requires you to follow certain rules when anyone applies pesticides at the child care facility. Under the law, a child care facility includes buildings, play areas, and a 10-foot buffer surrounding any areas regularly used by children.

The rules apply to you, your outside contractors, as well as the child care staff, and must be followed even when children are not there.

Pesticides include anything used to kill or prevent pests such as bugs (insecticides), weeds (herbicides), rodents (rodenticides), and even germs (disinfectants).

IF YOU HIRE AN OUTSIDE CONTRACTOR TO APPLY PESTICIDES, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO:

- Tell the contractor that there is a child care facility located on the property and that the Healthy Schools Act requirements must be followed
- Provide the child care facility with an annual list of all pesticides expected to be used by the contractor
- Notify the child care 120 hours (5 days) before any contractor plans to make a pesticide application and provide the product name, manufacturer, active ingredient, EPA registration number, intended date of application, areas of application, and reason for application

IF YOU APPLY PESTICIDES YOURSELF, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO:

- Take a DPR-approved Healthy Schools Act training course before applying a pesticide and annually thereafter
- Provide the child care facility with an annual list of all pesticides you expect to use
- Notify the child care facility 120 hours (5 days) before you plan to make a pesticide application and provide the product name, manufacturer, active ingredient, EPA registration number, intended date of application, areas of application, and reason for application
- Report all pesticides applied during the year to DPR by January 30th using form DPR-HSA-118 available at <https://apps.cdpr.ca.gov/schoolipm/>

Some types of pesticides only require training, and do not require notifying or reporting. These include antimicrobials (disinfectants, such as bleach), self-contained baits or traps, gels or pastes used as crack and crevice treatments, and pesticides exempt from registration with U.S. EPA (25(b) products).

WE WANT TO HELP YOU COMPLY WITH THE LAW!

For more information on the Healthy Schools Act requirements:



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