

The Invasive Plant Control Program - Requirement for Valid Pesticide Applicator Licenses

In Saskatchewan, *The Pest Control Products (Saskatchewan) Act* requires any person wanting to purchase and apply federally registered pesticides for hire or reward, to hold a valid Pesticide Applicator License.

Pesticides regulated under the *Pest Control Products (Canada and Saskatchewan) Act* include herbicides, fungicides, insecticides and vertebrate pest control products. A person must also hold a Pesticide Applicator License if they are applying domestic class pesticides for hire or reward and/or if they employ a person that is paid a wage to apply pesticides as part of their job duties. Pesticide Applicator Licenses are not transferable and are issued to an individual as named on the application form.

A Pesticide Applicator must have a license in their possession when applying herbicides. The following license categories will be acceptable for use under the Invasive Plant Control Program in order of preference:

- **Industrial** - This authorizes the use of herbicides by ground application for controlling weeds (and brush-looking for clarification from our folks that call the shots on this though): on industrial sites, including rights-of-way associated with roads, power lines, pipelines, railway, equipment yards and other non-crop areas with the exception of general maintenance applications to domestic lawns and gardens to agricultural land for the purpose of managing weeds regulated by *The Weed Control Act*.
- **Agricultural** - this authorizes the application of herbicides by ground equipment to agricultural land
- **Aquatic** - authorizes the use of herbicides by surface application, where permitted on the product label, for the control of weeds directly to water or to areas normally covered in water but left exposed during low water periods, including lakes, rivers, irrigation canals, ditches and dugouts;
NOTE: Permits are required from Saskatchewan Environment for the application of any pesticide within 50 meters of a water body not wholly contained within a parcel of land.
- **Landscape** – this authorizes the application of herbicides to domestic areas (private lawns and gardens as well as parks)
- **Aerial** - authorizes the application of herbicides, where permitted on the product label, by aircraft. This can be to industrial or agricultural land.

Record Keeping:

Every holder of a Pesticide Applicator license is responsible for keeping records of each operation he or she performs that involves pesticide use or application, on forms acceptable to the Ministry of Agriculture that **MUST** include:

- a. the name of the person for whom the herbicide was applied;
- b. the location and size of the area where the herbicide was applied;
- c. the year, month, day and time at which the herbicide was applied;
- d. the purpose for which the herbicide was applied;
- e. the common product name of the herbicide applied and the registration number assigned to it pursuant to the federal *Pest Control Products Act*;
- f. the method of application;
- g. the total quantity of or the rate of application of the herbicide applied;
- h. the quantity and method of disposal of empty herbicide containers;
- i. the details of remedial measures taken to respond to pesticide spills or of the clean-up of herbicide spills; and
- j. weather data at the time the herbicide was applied.
- k. Every holder of a Pesticide Applicator license must retain all records for a period of not less than three years from the date of the application.



RM of _____ No _____

Applicator Name: _____

Applicator License #: _____

HERBICIDE APPLICATION RECORD - Invasive Plant Control Program (CAP-IPCP)

Date: _____ Owner/Occupant Name: _____

GPS coordinates: N: _____ W: _____ LLD: _____

Weed Species Treated: _____

Product Applied: _____ Reg. #: _____

Area Treated (sq ft/sqm/acres/hectares): _____ Herbicide Rate: L/Acre: _____

Method of Application: _____

Wind Speed/Direction: _____ Temp: _____ Rainfall Potential: _____

Quantity and method of disposal of surplus pesticide containers: _____

Measures taken to respond to or clean-up of pesticide spills: _____

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Please indicate on map approximate AREA and LOCATION sprayed.