

2026 Fresno County
PESTICIDE USE NEAR SCHOOLS AGREEMENT
Follow Title 3 California Code of Regulations sections [6690](#), [6691](#), and [6692](#).

Annual Notification of Pesticides Used Near Schools and Child Day Care Centers is due no later than April 30 of every year, for each upcoming school year (July – June).

3 CCR sections 6691(a) and 6691(b). Pesticide Application Restrictions.

Pesticide application restrictions will apply Monday through Friday, during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., depending on the distance from the treated area to a schoolsite, the application equipment used, and type of pesticide applied. The type of pesticide is not the product formulation but the final form applied (e.g., if a powder is mixed with water and then applied, this is considered a liquid application). During these time periods, the operator of the property and the applicator shall assure that an application is not made within the distance of the schoolsite as specified below.

- (a) There must be a minimum ¼ mile distance restriction for applications using a:
 - 1. Aircraft.
 - 2. Airblast sprayer or other ground application equipment with a pump that delivers spray into an air stream created by a fan.
 - 3. Sprinkler chemigation equipment.
 - 4. Dust or powder except as provided in subsection (c)(3).
 - 5. Fumigant.

- (b) There must be a minimum 25 foot distance restriction when using a:
 - 1. Ground-rig sprayer. However, if this type of equipment is used to apply a dust, powder, or fumigant, the ¼ mile distance restriction in subsection (a) applies.
 - 2. Field soil injection equipment. However, if this type of equipment is used to apply a fumigant, the ¼ mile distance restriction in subsection (a) applies; or if used to apply a dust or powder, there is no minimum distance restriction.
 - 3. Other application equipment not identified in this section, such as drip or flood chemigation equipment. However, if this type of equipment is used to apply dust, powder, or fumigant, the ¼ mile distance restriction in subsection (a) applies.

See 3 CCR sections 6691(c), 6691(d), and 6691(f) for exceptions; and 6691(e) for fumigations.

3 CCR sections 6692(a) and 6692(d). Annual Notification.

- (a) For all applications of pesticides expected to be made for the production of an agricultural commodity within ¼ mile of a schoolsite, the operator of the property to be treated shall provide annual notification to those specified in (b) no later than April 30 of pesticide(s) expected to be used from July 1 of the current year through June 30 of the next year.
 - 1. Effective April 1, 2018, if the operator of the property to be treated changes, the new property operator shall provide the notification as specified in (b) and (c) within 30 days of assuming control of that property for expected pesticide(s) to be used from the time the notification is provided through June 30 of the following year. If the notification made 30 days after assuming control includes information about the pesticide(s) expected to be used July 1 of the current year through June 30 of the following year, then (a) does not apply. Subsequent notifications must be provided as specified in (a).

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- (d) Effective July 1, 2018, if a pesticide to be used was not included in the annual notification as specified in subsection (c)(7), the operator of the property shall provide this information to the schoolsite and commissioner at least 48 hours prior to the application.

See 3 CCR section 6692(b) and 6692(c) for further details regarding notification.

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To comply with the new NOI and PUR requirements, NOIs and PURs for fields within ¼ mile of a schoolsite must include the method code below which corresponds to the pesticide formulation or method of application:

3CCR	Method	Method Code	Description (examples, description, or limitations)
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Minimum ¼ mile distance restriction for:

(a)(1)	A		Aircraft - manned or unmanned - no method code
(a)(2)	G or O	5102	Airblast or air-carrier sprayer (no dust or powder application) Chemigation: sprinkler (e.g., solid set, lateral move, traveling gun) (no fumigants)
(a)(3)	G or O	5161	fumigants)
(a)(4)	G or O	5104	Dust or powder (except field soil injection)
(a)(5)	F	5149	Outdoor - Other fumigations (e.g., field burrow fumigation)
(a)(5)	F	5173	Enclosed space - fumigants (e.g., greenhouse fumigation)
(a)(5)	F	various	Field soil fumigants - Use Field Fumigation Method Code

Minimum 25-foot distance restriction for:

(b)(1)	G	5101	Ground-rig sprayer (no dust, powder, or fumigant application) (no airblast sprayer)
(b)(2)	G	5111	Field soil injection (no dusts, powders, fumigants, or chemigation)
(b)(3)	O	5121	Manual placement (e.g., twist ties) (no dusts, powders, fumigants)
(b)(3)	O	5129	Other hand-held (e.g., pressurized hose-line sprayer) (no dusts, powders, or fumigants)
(b)(3)	O	5162	Chemigation: micro-irrigation (e.g., drip, trickle, micro-sprinkler) (no fumigants)
(b)(3)	O	5163	Chemigation: surface/gravity flow (e.g., flood, furrow) (no fumigants)
(b)(3)	O	5169	Chemigation: other method (no fumigants)
(b)(3)	G or O	5199	Unspecified (ground or other application equipment not listed)

No distance restriction for:

(c)(1)	G or O	5171	Enclosed space application (e.g., greenhouse/mushroom house, any equipment) (no fumigants)
(c)(2)	O	5131	Bait station
(c)(3)	G or O	5112	Field soil injection - dust or powder only
(c)(4)	G or O	5106	Granule, flake, or pellet (e.g., mechanical spreaders) (no fumigants)
(c)(5)	O	5123	Backpack sprayer (no dust or powder) (no airblast sprayer)
(c)(6)	O	5122	Hand pump sprayer (no dust, powder, or fumigant)