

## FIELDWORKER TRAINING

### Section 6764

- (a) The employer shall ensure that employees who enter a treated field have been trained within the last 5 years, in a manner, the employee understands, of the following information before they enter the field.
- (b) The training shall include the following information:
  - (1) Importance of routine decontamination and washing thoroughly after the exposure period;
  - (2) Restricted entry intervals and what posting means, including both California and federal field posting sign formats;
  - (3) Where pesticides are encountered, including treated surfaces in the field, residues on clothing, chemigation and drift;
  - (4) Routes of exposure;
  - (5) The hazards of pesticides, including acute, chronic, and delayed effects, and sensitization effects;
  - (6) Common signs and symptoms of overexposure;
  - (7) First aid including decontamination, eye flushing, and obtaining emergency medical care;
  - (8) Warnings about taking pesticides or pesticide containers home;
  - (9) The hazard communication program requirements of Section 6761; and
  - (10) Employee rights, including the right:
    - (A) To personally receive information about pesticides to which he or she may be exposed;
    - (B) For his or her physician or employee representative to receive information about pesticides to which he or she may be exposed; and
    - (C) To be protected against retaliatory action due to the exercise of any of his or her rights.
- (c) An employee who holds a valid personal pesticide license or certificate issued by the department, a valid verification of training card issued under the authority of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, current documented pesticide handler training pursuant to Section 6724, or other valid certificate of pesticide training approved by the director is considered to be trained for the purposes of this Section.
- (d) The information shall be presented in a manner the employee can understand, orally from written materials or audio visually, using nontechnical terms. The trainer shall respond to employee questions.
- (e) The person conducting the training shall be qualified as one of the following:
  - (1) A California certified applicator;

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- (2) A person holding any other valid license or certificate of personal pesticide qualification issued by the department;
- (3) A person who has completed an “instructor training” program presented by one of the following:
  - (A) The University of California, Integrated Pest Management Program, after January 1, 1993;
  - (B) Other instructor training program approved by the director.
- (4) A California Registered Professional Forester;
- (5) A person holding a valid County Biologist License in Pesticide Regulation or Investigation and Environmental Monitoring issued by the California Department of Food and Agriculture;
- (6) A farm adviser employed by the University of California Extension Office; or
- (7) Other valid trainer qualification approved by the director.

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 12981, Food and Agricultural Code.

Reference: Sections 12980 and 12981, Food and Agricultural Code.

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|                             | (trainer) |              |
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