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**Pesticide Management Program**

<http://ehs.psu.edu/pesticide-management/overview>

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**Who does this program apply to?**

* University employees, visitors and students (non-employees) who apply pesticides.
  + Pesticides include: bee spray, ant traps, herbicides, fungicides, insecticides, swimming pool chemicals, etc.
* University employees, visitors or students, who work or conduct research at an agricultural facility (nursery, farm, greenhouse, laboratory, research center, etc.) where pesticides are applied.
* Work units that contract with vendors for pesticide applications.

**What are the key requirements of this program?**

* Each work unit must have a business license as a public applicator.
* Only certified pesticide applicators may apply and/or oversee the application of pesticides.
* Supervisors must:
* Identify the individuals at their facility that need training and ensure they are trained.
* Provide safety equipment and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and ensure that it is worn by employees.
* Ensure Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is followed.
* Applicators must:
* Read and follow pesticide label directions.
* Maintain records of pesticide applications.
* Ensure proper notification of appropriate parties before application.
* Dispose of pesticide waste properly through EHS or CHEMSWEEP.
  + Training requirements:
    - Ensure certified applicators are trained in accordance with PDA requirements.
    - Provide applicators with specific hands on training for pesticide application equipment.
    - Ensure Worker Protection Standard [training](https://apps.opp.psu.edu/ehs_training/course_list.cfm) for Agricultural workers (including students) is provided every 5 years.
* Self-inspection requirements:
  + - Inspect pesticide storage areas every month.
* Audit the implementation of your program annually.
* Regularly scheduled program components:
  + - Inventory all pesticides at your facility annually.
* Recordkeeping Requirements:
  + - Maintain pesticide application and hypersensitivity/notification records for 3 years.
    - Maintain Worker Protection Standard training records for 5 years.

**For additional information:**

* PA Department of Agriculture Regulations ( Pa Code Title 7 Chapter 128) <http://www.pacode.com/secure/data/007/chapter128/chap128toc.html>
* US EPA Worker Protection Requirements (40 CFR 170)

<http://www2.epa.gov/pesticide-worker-safety>