REGULATION UPDATE
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TO: ALL REGISTERED COMPANIES
AND BRANCH OFFICES

The Structural Pest Control Board (Board) will amend sections 1974 and 1996.1 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations effective December 8, 2010.

Section 1974 has been amended to reflect that all warning signs must contain the trade name of the fumigant used and its active ingredient.

Section 1996.1 has been amended to reflect that all completion tags must contain the trade name of the fumigant used and its active ingredient.

Please find attached a copy of the revised regulations. The strikethrough text indicates the old language and the underlined text indicates the new language.

If you have any questions, please call 916-561-8700.

Attachment
§ 1974. Fumigation Warning Signs

Prior to commencement of fumigation, warning signs which comply with the provisions of sections 8505.9 and 8505.10 (see Form 43M-15 (New 8/93)) shall be posted. Such warning signs shall be at least 11" x 15".

(a) Prior to sealing a structure which is to be fumigated, fumigation warning signs shall be posted on the structure at or near all entrances and on each side of the structure and kept at those locations until the structure is declared to be safe for re-occupancy by the licensee exercising direct and personal supervision over the fumigation.

(b) Fumigation warning signs shall also be placed on the outside surface of the tarps used to seal the structure and shall be clearly visible on all accessible sides of the space under fumigation and from any direction from which the site may be approached.

(c) All warning signs must contain the trade name of the fumigant used and its active ingredient.

Additional fumigation warning signs shall be posed at all joint seams of the tarp at the first floor level.

NOTE: AUTHORITY CITED: Section 8525, Business and Professions Code.
Reference: Sections 8505.4, 8505.6, 8505.9 and 8505.10, Business and Professions Code.

§ 1996.1. Inspection and Completion Tags

(a) An inspection tag shall be posted in the attic or sub-area, or in the garage whenever an inspection for wood-destroying pests or organisms is made. The inspection tag shall be not less than 3" by 5" and shall contain the firm's name, date of inspection and the following statement: "Do not remove – Structural Pest Control Board Regulation 1996.1."

(b) If the registered company completes any work with respect to wood-destroying pests or organisms, it shall post a completion tag next to the inspection tag. The completion tag shall be not less than 3" by 5" and shall contain the firm's name, date of completion, and trade name of any chemical pesticide used, active ingredient or method(s) of treatment.

(c) The inspection report shall indicate the location of the inspection tag. The inspection report must also indicate the presence of any other inspection or fumigation tag that is less than two years old and any similar completion tag. A registered company shall not remove any tag.

NOTE: AUTHORITY CITED: Section 8525, Business and Professions Code.