



INDUSTRY ADVISORY

Effective January 1, 2025, the Structural Pest Control Board (SPCB) will implement amendments to California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 16, sections 1970.4, 1970.41, 1970.42, and 1970.43. These amendments are intended to improve clarity and compliance across the structural pest control industry. Key updates include the following:

1. Reorganization of Pre- and Post- Pesticide Application Notices

Requirements for pre- and post- pesticide application notices, previously included in CCR § 1970.4, have now been divided into separate sections for each pest control branch - Branch 1 (Fumigation), Branch 2 (General Household Pests), and Branch 3 (Wood Destroying Pests and Organisms).

2. Electronic Post-Pesticide Application Notification

Post-pesticide application notices can now be provided via email, when authorized by occupant, owner, or owner's agent, for applications or use around or to the exterior of any structure, or to the interior of a commercial, industrial, or single-unit residential structure.

NOTE: Application or use to the interior of a unit within a multi-unit residential structure, the post-application notice must be provided in writing and left on the door of the unit, or within the unit in an area next to the door of the unit.

3. Revised Occupant Fumigation Notice and Pesticide Disclosure Form (OFN)

The revised OFN (Form 43M-48 Rev. 10/2022) standardizes information provided to occupants regarding fumigation procedures, enhancing transparency and safety for consumers.

4. Protocols for Serious Injury or Fatality

Protocols for addressing serious injuries or fatalities related to pesticide applications have been reorganized into a stand-alone section to emphasize critical safety and reporting requirements.

The updated OFN is available online at <https://www.pestboard.ca.gov/forms/43m-48.pdf>.

The full text of the amended regulations is available online at https://www.pestboard.ca.gov/pestlaw/approved_regulations.shtml.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions about this advisory, please contact the SPCB at (916) 561-8708.