



Mosquito and Fly Control Applicators Require Special Certification and Notifications

Who is affected by this advisory?

All commercial pesticide applicators and businesses who apply pesticides to control mosquitos and/or flies, especially on aggregate areas of 3 acres or less.

Why is DEP issuing this advisory?

To remind all pesticide applicators of the complete certification requirements for the control of mosquitos and/or flies. More specifically, those applying pesticides to control flies **must be certified in Category 7A – General and Household Pest Control (interior application) or Category 8A – General Public Health (exterior application)**. Those applying pesticides to control mosquitos **must be certified in either Category 8B – Mosquito Control or Category 8C – Campground Pest Control**, regardless of the size of the area being treated.

What should I do?

If you are applying pesticides to control mosquitos and/or flies you must:

	Application area 3 acres or less	Application area over 3 acres
1. Be a licensed applicator	Yes	Yes
2. For Fly Control: Be certified in Category 7A – General and Household Pest Control (interior application) or Category 8A – General Public Health (exterior application). For Mosquito Control: Be certified in Category 8B – Mosquito Control or Category 8C – Campground Pest Control	Yes	Yes
3. Provide Turf and Ornamental Notification to the contracting party. The reason for this notification is that while Category 8B – Mosquito Control and Category 8C – Campground Pest Control are types of pesticide applications not covered in N.J.A.C.7:30-9.13, the type of site being treated and the potential exposure to the public or customer is the same as the categories covered in this section. Notification, if requested, must also be provided to those who might be affected by a pesticide application for mosquitoes of flies	Yes	No

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4. Post signs on the treated property at the start of the application and display the signs for at least 72 hours after the application	Yes	No
5. Obtain a mosquito/fly control permit from the Department prior to the date of application	No	Yes
6. Provide Community Area Wide notification with public notice in at least two newspapers having the greatest likelihood of informing the public within the area of application.	No	Yes

What is DEP doing?

During routine and/or incident inspections the Department or its authorized designee will ask commercial applicators and applicator businesses to provide evidence of proper certification to control mosquitos/flies. Applicators treating 3 acres or less must show required Consumer Information Forms containing all the information required by the Turf and Ornamental Notification regulations. Applicators treating more than 3 acres will be asked to show their mosquito/fly control permits and may possibly be asked to confirm Area Wide Notification. Applicators failing to meet any of the requirements will face penalties.

Who should I contact with questions?

For general or regulatory questions please contact the DEP Pesticide Control Program's Bureau of Pesticide Compliance at (609) 984-6568.

Where can I get more information?

For all of the turf and ornamental requirements see N.J.A.C. 7:30-9.13 at <http://pcpnj.org/pcp-regs.htm>.

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