

Kansas Administrative Regulations

Kansas Department of Agriculture

Article 13.—Pesticides

4-13-3. Categories and subcategories of qualification for the licensing of pesticide businesses and certification of commercial applicators.

(a) The categories and subcategories of qualification for licensing of pesticide businesses and certification of commercial applicators shall include the following:

(1) Category 1: agricultural pest control. This category shall include any commercial application of pesticide in the production of agricultural plants or animals.

(A) Subcategory 1A: agricultural plant pest control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide on grasslands and noncrop agricultural lands, and in the production of agricultural crops, including tobacco, peanuts, cotton, feed grains, soybeans and forage, vegetables, small fruits, tree fruits, and nuts.

(B) Subcategory 1B: agricultural animal pest control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide to places on, or in which, animals are confined and on animals, including beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, horses, goats, poultry, and livestock. This subcategory shall include any doctor of veterinary medicine who applies pesticides for hire, engages in the large-scale use of pesticides, or is publicly held out as a pesticide applicator.

(C) Subcategory 1C: wildlife damage control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide for the management and control of wildlife in rangeland and agricultural areas. Wildlife shall mean nondomesticated vertebrate species that hinder agricultural and rangeland production.

(D) Subcategory 1D: stump treatment. This subcategory shall be limited to the commercial application of pesticide for the treatment of cut stumps to control resprouting in pastures, rangeland, or lands held in conservation reserve. Nothing in this subcategory shall prohibit stump treatment by pesticide businesses and commercial applicators in other categories and subcategories that include pesticide application to cut stumps.

(2) Category 2: forest pest control. This category shall include any commercial application of pesticide in forests, forest nurseries, and forest seed-producing areas.

(3) Category 3: ornamental and turf pest control. This category shall include any commercial application of pesticide in the maintenance of ornamental trees, shrubs, flowers, and turf.

(A) Subcategory 3A: ornamental pest control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide to control pests in the maintenance and production of ornamental trees, shrubs, and flowers. This subcategory shall not include those pests included in subcategory 3C.

(B) Subcategory 3B: turf pest control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide to control pests in the maintenance and production of turf.

(C) Subcategory 3C: interior landscape pest control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide to control pests in the production and maintenance of houseplants and other indoor ornamental plants kept or located within structures occupied by humans, including houses, apartments, offices, shopping malls, and other places of business and dwelling places.

(4) Category 4: seed treatment. This category shall include any commercial application of pesticide on seeds.

(5) Category 5: aquatic pest control. This category shall include any commercial application of pesticide to standing or running water. Applicators engaged in public health pest control and health-related pest control activities shall be excluded.

Subcategory 5S: sewer root control. This subcategory shall be limited to any commercial application of pesticide for the control of roots in sewer lines and septic systems.

(6) Category 6: right-of-way pest control. This category shall include any commercial application of pesticide to control vegetation in the maintenance of public roads, electric power lines, pipelines, railway rights-of-way, industrial sites, parking lots, or other similar areas.

(A) This category shall include the types of commercial pesticide application specified in subcategory 7C.

(B) This category shall not include those types of commercial pesticide application specified in paragraph (a)(9).

(7) Category 7: industrial, institutional, structural, and health-related pest control.

(A) This category shall include any commercial application of pesticide for the protection of stored, processed, or manufactured products. This category shall also include any commercial application of pesticide in, on, or around the following:

(i) Food handling establishments, human dwellings, institutions including schools and hospitals, and any other similar structures and the areas immediately adjacent to those structures; and

(ii) industrial establishments including warehouses, grain elevators, food processing plants, and any other related structures and adjacent areas.

(B) Subcategory 7A: wood-destroying pest control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide in the control of termites, powder post beetles, wood borers, wood rot fungus, and any other wood-destroying pest.

(C) Subcategory 7B: stored products pest control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide for the control of pests in stored grain and food products.

(D) Subcategory 7C: industrial weed control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide for the control of pest weeds.

(E) Subcategory 7D: health-related pest control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide in health programs for the management and control of terrestrial and aquatic pests having medical or public health significance.

(F) Subcategory 7E: structural pest control. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide in a structure for the control of any pest not covered in subcategories 7A and 7B.

(G) Subcategory 7F: wood preservation and wood products treatment. This subcategory shall include any commercial application of pesticide made to extend the life of wooden poles, posts, crossties, and other wood products to preserve or protect them from damage by insects, fungi, marine organisms, weather deterioration, or other wood-destroying agents.

(8) Category 8: public health pest control. This category shall apply to qualification for commercial certification of employees of government agencies, including state, federal, and other governmental agencies, who apply or supervise the application of a restricted-use pesticide for the management and control of terrestrial and aquatic pests having medical or public health significance.

(9) Category 9: regulatory pest control. This category shall apply to qualification for commercial certification of employees of government agencies, including state, federal, and other governmental agencies, who apply or supervise the application of a restricted-use pesticide in the control of federally regulated and state-regulated pests.

(A) Subcategory 9A: noxious weed control. This subcategory shall include qualification for commercial certification of employees of state, federal, and other governmental agencies who use or supervise the use of a restricted-use pesticide in the control of weed pests regulated under the Kansas noxious weed law.

(B) Subcategory 9B: regulated pest control. This subcategory shall include qualification for commercial certification of employees of state, federal, and other governmental agencies who use or supervise the use of a restricted-use pesticide in the control of federally regulated or state-regulated pests not covered in subcategory 9A.

(10)(A) Category 10: demonstration and research pest control. This category shall include the following:

(i) Those persons who demonstrate to the public the proper techniques for application and use of restricted-use pesticides or who supervise such a demonstration. These persons shall include extension specialists, county agents, commercial representatives who demonstrate pesticide products, and persons who demonstrate, in public programs, methods of pesticide use;

(ii) those persons who use or supervise the use of restricted-use pesticides in conducting field research that involves the use of pesticides. These persons shall include state, federal, and commercial employees and other persons who conduct field research regarding or utilizing restricted-use pesticides; and

(iii) qualified laboratory personnel using restricted-use pesticides while engaged in pesticide research in areas where environmental factors beyond the control of

laboratory personnel, including wind, rain, and similar factors, can affect the safe use of the pesticide or can cause the pesticide to have an adverse impact on the environment.

(B) The persons listed in paragraphs (a)(10)(A)(ii) and (iii) shall not be considered exempt from certification under the provisions of K.S.A. 2-2441a(d) and amendments thereto.

(b) Each pesticide business shall be licensed in all categories in which the pesticide business makes commercial pesticide applications and shall employ one or more persons who maintain commercial certification in each subcategory in which the pesticide business makes commercial pesticide applications.

(c) Each state, federal, and other governmental agency shall be registered in all categories and subcategories in which the agency makes commercial pesticide applications.

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