



# YOLO COUNTY

## AGRICULTURE - WEIGHTS & MEASURES

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TO: Maintenance Gardeners  
FROM: Humberto Izquierdo, Agricultural Commissioner  
SUBJECT: **GENERAL PEST CONTROL OPERATIONS**

The following is a summary of general pest control operation work requirements. This summary only highlights specific areas and is not intended to cover all pest control work requirements.

1. Equipment Identification. Each person engaged for hire in the business of pest control shall keep each service rig used for mixing or applying pesticides conspicuously and legibly marked with either the business name, or with "Licensed Pest Control Company", or substantially similar wording and the pest control operator license number of the person or firm (CCR 6630).
2. Transportation of Pesticides. Pesticides shall not be transported in the same compartment with persons, food, or feed (CCR 6682).
3. Pesticide Labeling. A copy of the registered labeling that allows the manner in which the pesticide is being used shall be available at each use site (CCR 6602).
4. Service Container Labels. Any container, other than the original labeled container of a registered pesticide, that is used to hold, store, or transport such pesticide or dilution of such pesticide, shall be labeled with: The name and address of the person or firm responsible for such container. The identity of the economic poison contained within. The word "**DANGER**", "**WARNING**", or "**CAUTION**" in accordance with the label on the original container (CCR 6678).
5. Prohibited Containers for Pesticides. In no cases shall a pesticide be placed or kept in any container of a type commonly used for food, drink or household products (CCR 6680).
6. Pesticide Container Rinsing. Each emptied container which has held less than 28 gallons of liquid pesticide that is diluted for use shall be rinsed and drained by the user at the time of use (CCR 6684).
7. Pesticide Application on Public Property. Section 12978 of the California Food and Agriculture Code states: "Pesticide applications on public property which take place on school grounds, parks, or other public rights-of-way where public exposure is foreseeable shall be posted with warning signs. The signs shall be in English and Spanish and shall contain a warning that the area has been treated with a pesticide and that individuals are not to enter the area.
  - a. This section shall apply to all pesticide applications which have worker reentry intervals of at least 24 hours.
  - b. Posting shall be accomplished immediately prior to pesticide applications, and the signs shall be removed within 24 hours after the expiration of the reentry interval.

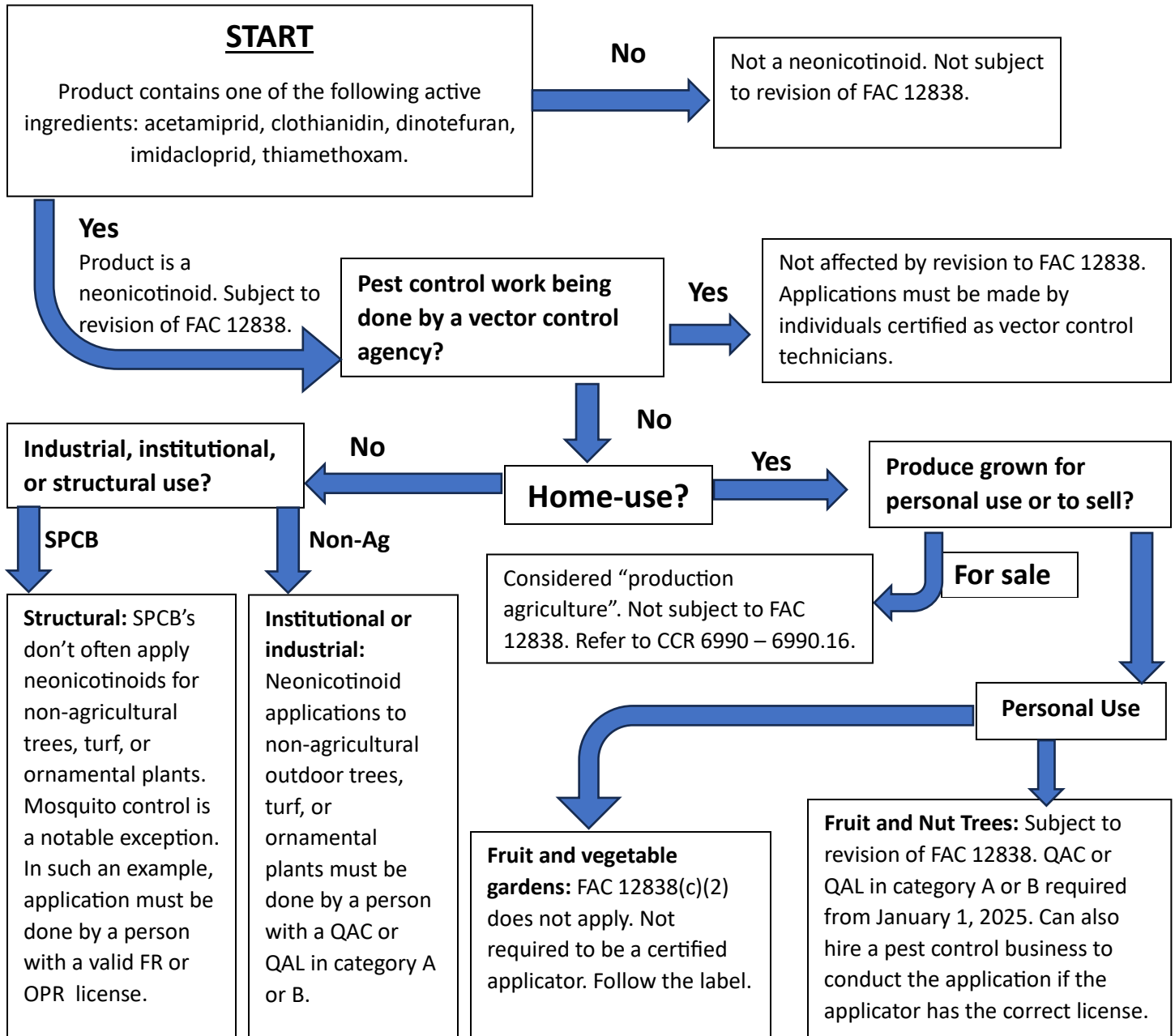
- c. Signs shall be posted at regular intervals and at all regular points of public entry.
  - d. The agency with responsibility for the property where the pesticide application is to take place shall post the warnings required by this section.
  - e. The responsible agency may substitute a barrier for the warning signs to exclude public exposure to a treated area.
  - f. This section does not apply to pesticide applications by the Department of Transportation on public highway rights-of-way.
8. Worker Safety Regulations have been revised to include employees using pesticides in yard and grounds maintenance situations effective October 26, 1988. In order to protect your employees and protect yourself from possible administrative or criminal actions, please take the time to review applicable regulations found in CCR Title 3, Division 6, Subchapter 3 (CCR 6700-6795).
9. Pesticide Use Reports: Submit a Monthly Summary Pesticide Use Report (CCR 6627) by the 10th day of the month following the month in which the work was performed.
10. Pesticide Storage: All pesticides shall be stored in a lock enclosure (CCR 6672). If storing pesticides with the signal word "Warning" or "Danger", the enclosure is required to be posted with a sign that contains the following statements: danger, poison storage area, all unauthorized persons keep out, keep door locked when not in use (CCR 6674).

**For more specific information, contact your local County Agricultural Commissioner.**

# Neonicotinoid Use in Non-Ag Settings

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

Revision to Food and Agricultural Code (FAC) section 12838: neonicotinoid pesticide products used for non-agricultural uses on outdoor trees, turf, or ornamental plants can only be sold by licensed pesticide dealers and used by certified applicators.



Note: An individual with a QAC solely in subcategory Q is not considered a certified commercial applicator. A Maintenance Gardener Pest Control Business supervised by a QAC holder solely with subcategory Q cannot apply neonicotinoids to outdoor trees, turf, or ornamental plants after the revision of FAC 12838(c)(2) takes effect on January 1, 2025.

Review the full text of AB 363 (Amendment to FAC 12838) here:

[https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\\_id=202320240AB363](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202320240AB363)