# The California Department of Pesticide Regulation

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### Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR)

- DPR's mission is to protect human health and the environment by regulating pesticide sales and use and by fostering reduced-risk pest management.
- A pesticide is any substance intended to control, destroy, repel, or attract a pest.

#### The Branches of DPR



#### Working Together

- Evaluate and register pesticide products before sale or use in California
- Evaluate health impacts of pesticides through risk assessment and illness surveillance
- Ensure a safe workplace for those working with pesticides
- Monitor potential health and environmental impacts of currently registered pesticides
- License commercial applicators and other pesticide professionals to ensure they are adequately trained to use pesticides safely
- Support development and adopting of pest management practices designed to reduce pesticide use
- Test for pesticide residues on fresh fruit and vegetables

#### Submissions to DPR

- 6000 7000 mail submissions received in a typical year
- 4000 5000 registration packages
- Average lifespan 60 90 days
- Standard registration package

## Different Types of Registrations and Actions

- Section 3 Registrations (Basic, Supplemental and Alternative Brand Names)
- California Only Registrations (Adjuvants)
- Emergency Exemptions (FIFRA Section 18)
- Special Local Needs (FIFRA Section 24(c))
- Experimental Programs (FIFRA Section 5 Experimental Use Permit (EUP) and Research Authorizations)
- Minimal Risk Pesticides (FIFRA 25(b) products)

## Section 3 Registrations Basic, Supplemental and Alternative Brand Names

- Basic Registration
  - Herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, rodenticides, anti-microbial
- Supplemental Registration
- Alternative Brand Names
- ~1100 per year
- Each is considered a stand alone registration

## California Only Registrations Adjuvants

- Exempt from Federal registration
- California Registration is required FAC 12753
- Wetting agents, spreaders, defoamers, depositing builders and water modifiers
- Do you still need to submit data for a new registration?

### Emergency Exemptions FIFRA Section 18

- Allows an unregistered use of a pesticide for a limited time if the U.S. EPA determines that an "Emergency Condition" exists
- Establishment of Time Limited Residue Tolerance
- Third party applications only
- Four types of issuances:
  - Specific
  - Quarantine
  - Public Health
  - Crisis
- ~12 per year
- Ontact:

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## Special Local Needs FIFRA Section 24(c)

- Register a new end use or an additional use
- First or third party
- Cannot have a new active ingredient
- Residue Tolerances must already be established
- No expiration dates
- ~ 10 per year
- Ontact:

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## Experimental Programs FIFRA Section 5 Experimental Use Permit (EUP) and Research Authorizations

- Used to collect field data under California
   Use conditions
- If used in greenhouses or laboratory settings, EUP/RAs are not required
- Must follow submitted label

## Experimental Programs FIFRA Section 5 Experimental Use Permit (EUP)

- If Federally registered, field limitations are set. Usually more than 100 acres.
- Pesticide can be sold to users
- May have temporary residue tolerance
- o ~ 2 per year
- Contact:

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### Experimental Program Research Authorizations

- Permit not a registration
- Usually limited to 10 acres/1 aqueous surface acre
- Communication with the County Agricultural Commissioner
- No fee involved
- Can be done by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party
- ~ 500 per year
- Contact:

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### Minimal Risk Pesticides FIFRA 25(b) products

- Pesticide Products exempt of Federal Registration
- Products consisting of very specific ingredients and criteria
- California Notice to Registrants 2000-6
- Not all Federal exempt products are California exempt – Citronella
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#### The Steps for Registration

- Mail intake and data log in
- Registration specialist
  - Checks for completeness
  - Verifies label compliance
- Data Review
- Returned to the registration specialist
- Notices of Proposed and Final Decisions
- Licensing

## What Is Needed In A Registration Package

- Application for Pesticide Registration
- Processing fee \$750
- Copy of the U.S. EPA Stamped Accepted label
- Any corresponding U.S. EPA documentation (e.g. notification form, letters, e-mail)
- Six copies of printer proof or final printed labels
- Data



## Data Requirements For Product Registration

- Acute Toxicology
  - Acute oral LD50
  - Acute dermal (skin) LD50
  - Eye irritation
  - Dermal irritation
  - Acute inhalation LC50
  - Skin sensitization
- Product Chemistry
- Efficacy
  - Plant Physiology
  - Pest and Disease control
- Phytotoxicity, if on plants

- Fish and Wildlife, if applicable
- Worker Safety, if applicable
  - Indoor exposure
  - Dermal absorption
  - Mixer, loader applicator
- Microbiology, if applicable
- Volatile emissions potential (thermogravametric analysis of data)

DPR does **NOT** set tolerances

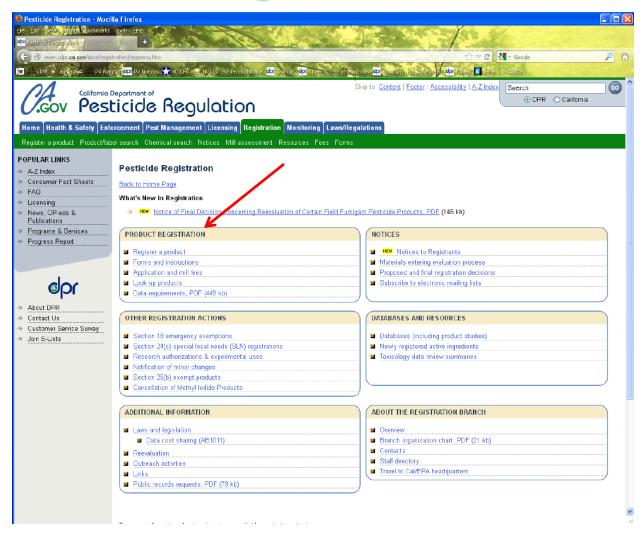
#### Label Amendments

- 6 copies of the updated label
- \$100 or none
- U.S. EPA stamped accepted label reflecting the new changes
- Label Amendment form
- Data to support the changes

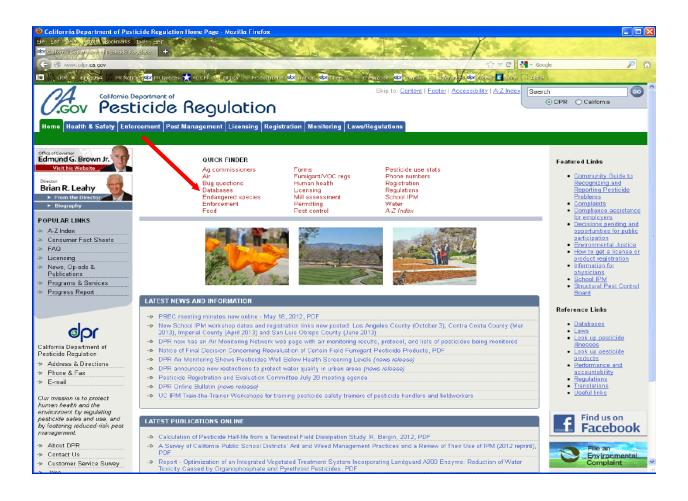
#### Registration Information WWW.CDPR.CA.GOV

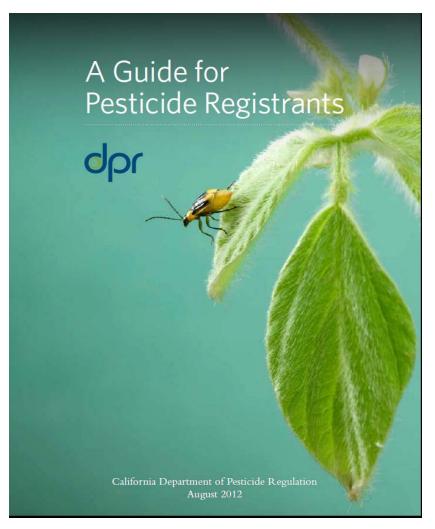


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< http://www.cdpr.ca.gov/docs/registration/manual/guidance.pdf >

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