

Categories of Commercial and Noncommercial Pesticide Applicators

All categories include individuals who use or supervise the use of restricted-use pesticides (RUPs). Some categories include individuals who use or supervise the use of general-use pesticides (GUPs).

- 01 Agricultural Pest – Plant
 Includes the use of RUPs made to rowcrops, pastures, rangeland, vegetables, small fruits, fruit trees, or nut trees. Does NOT include the control of vertebrate pests such as pocket gophers.
- 01a Fumigation of Soil
 Includes the use of RUP soil fumigants to protect agricultural commodities.
- 02 Agricultural Pest – Animal
 Includes the use of RUPs to protect agricultural animals (cattle, swine, sheep, horses, goats, poultry, etc.) and places in which they are confined. Does NOT include the control of predators such as coyotes.
- 03 Forest Pest Control
 Includes the use of RUPs in forests, forest nurseries, and large tracts of trees that may be considered marketable. Does NOT include the protection of ornamental trees or the control of vertebrate pests in forests.
- 04 Ornamental and Turf Pest Control
 Includes the use of pesticides to protect ornamental trees, shrubs, flowers and turf in lawns, landscape beds, parks, public grounds, golf courses, athletic fields, plant nurseries, greenhouses, sodfarms, etc. Does NOT include the control of vertebrate pests in these sites.
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 A non-commercial license is needed to apply RUPs to property owned and/or controlled by your immediate employer (school, city parks, etc.).
- 05 Aquatic Pest Control
 Includes the use of RUPs in standing or running water (ponds, lakes, irrigation canals, creeks, rivers, etc.), riprap, and wetland areas.
- 5S Sewer Root Control
 Includes the use of RUPs such as metam-sodium in sewer lines.
- 06 Seed Treatment
 Includes the use of RUPs on seed stocks prior to packaging. Does NOT include planter-box seed treatments added at planting time.
- 07 Right-of-Way Pest Control
 Includes the use of RUPs to control vegetation along public or private roads, in parking lots, ditch banks, fence lines, utility rights-of way, pipelines, railway rights-of-way, substations, restoration areas, and similar sites.
- 08 Structural/Health Pest Control
 Includes the use of pesticides in and immediately around structures such as: human dwellings, offices, schools, hospitals, institutional establishments, restaurants, retail establishments, warehouses, food processing facilities. Does

NOT include the control of termites; DOES NOT include the control of vertebrate pests other than those invading the structure.

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8W Wood Destroying Organisms

Includes the use of RUP or GUP pesticides to control wood destroying pests such as termites and carpenter ants. Includes the installation and monitoring of termite bait stations. Does NOT include the use of fumigants.

09 Public Health Pest Control

Includes the use of RUPs to control outdoor pests such as mosquitoes, flies, and rodents which may vector diseases of concern to a community. Use sites may include public landfills, feedlots, bodies of water, parks, or neighborhoods.

Includes anyone applying RUPs or GUPs to control outdoor vectors of disease on behalf of villages, towns, cities, or other political subdivisions of the state.

10 Wood Preservation

Includes the use of RUPs to protect wood or wood products such as dimension lumber, utility poles, fence posts, railroad ties, etc. Includes preservative treatment by pressure or nonpressure methods.

11 Fumigation

Includes the use of RUPs, which in the gaseous state are designed to kill or repel pests. “Use” includes opening product containers, placing product, opening a structure for aeration, and monitoring until fumigant gas levels are below a level which permits unprotected entry. Does NOT include the use of liquid insecticides or rodenticides in grain storage facilities.

12 Aerial Pest Control

Includes applications made by fixed or rotary wing aircraft. Applicator must hold a valid FAA commercial pilot’s license. Applicator must hold this category in combination with other categories such as Ag Plant, Right-of-Way, Public Health, etc.

14 Wildlife Damage Control

Includes the use of RUPs to control vertebrate pests in sites away from structures. Includes coyotes, pocket gophers, prairie dogs, moles, ground squirrels, voles, jackrabbits, muskrats, white-footed mice, skunks, and nuisance birds. Does NOT include trapping or hunting, which is regulated by Nebraska Game and Parks. Does NOT include vertebrates invading structures (see category 08).

REG Regulatory sub-category

Includes the use of RUPs made on behalf of federal, state, or other governmental units to control regulated pests. Applicator must hold another major category in addition to Regulatory.

D/R Demonstration/Research sub-category

Includes the use of RUPs, beyond label provisions, when done for academic research purposes. Applicator must hold another major category in addition to Demonstration/Research.