

National Park Service Commercial Services Program

Integrated Pest Management (IPM)



Concessioner Responsibilities

- Submit pesticide use proposals to park IPM coordinator and concession specialist to obtain approval for use.
- Provide users with appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Notify NPS of the existence of pests within concession facilities in a timely manner.
- Comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws.
- Comply with all applicable DOI, NPS, and parkspecific policies and guidelines.

Special Cases

- An exemption should be obtained from the U.S.
 Fish and Wildlife Service if migratory birds and/or threatened or endangered species could be affected by restricted pesticides.
- In cases where rapid pesticide approval is needed, an emergency approval procedure other than PUPS (e.g., phone call) should be agreed with the park IPM coordinator.

Necessary Documentation Includes:

- Pesticide labels
- Safety Data Sheets
- Pesticide Use Request Forms
- Pesticide Use Logs
- EPA approvals
- Emergency use authorizations
- Records required by local and state regulatory authorities

Waste Pesticides Must be Disposed of in Accordance with:

- Label instructions
- Federal, state, and local regulations, to include applicable hazardous waste or universal waste regulations

Storage Requirements

- Mark all containers
- Separate from all other chemicals
- Separate from each type of pesticide when potential chemical reactions are present

Storage areas must:

- Be locked, ventilated, and fireproof
- Have proper warning signs

NPS Reporting Requirements

- Each year, submit a pesticide use request form for all pesticides anticipated to be used the following calendar year.
 - Date of submission is determined in the contract operating plan
- Each year, submit a pesticide use log for all pesticides used (including those used by contracted pest control operators) during the previous calendar year that includes:
 - o Pesticide name
 - EPA pesticide product registration number, if applicable
 - o Amount of pesticide used
 - Location(s) where the pesticide was used
 - Targeted pests

Purchase and Application:

- When restricted-use pesticides are used, a certified pesticide applicator must either perform the application or directly supervise it. The park must authorize use before application.
- Pesticide application must be performed according to label instructions.
 - This includes use of required PPE, mixing ratios, re-entry periods, etc.
 - o If areas must be off-limits, warning signs must be posted with information stating:
 - The area was treated with a pesticide
 - The date the area was treated
 - When the area may be re-entered by unprotected individuals
 - The materials that were used
 - Name and telephone number of a contact person
- In agricultural situations, pesticides must be applied in a way that prevents people who are not involved from being exposed.
- Pesticide purchases are limited to amounts authorized.

Please note, this fact sheet does not cover all requirements and situations related to pest management. In addition to checking federal regulations, be sure to check your state and local regulations. For any operational questions or emergency situations, please contact your park concession specialist. For more information pertaining to compliance with pest management requirements, please email <u>cs envaudits@nps.qov</u> or contact the applicable regulatory authority.