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Compliance Priorities for Pest Management Professionals

1. Notify OISC of termite pre-treat applications a minimum of 3 hours prior to application. Notification can be accomplished by completing and submitting the pre-treat notification form online or by completing the form and faxing it to the OISC. Click the *Termite Pre-treat Notification* button on the OISC pesticide webpage to obtain the form.
2. Apply full label-directed application rates and volumes of termiticides when pre-treating a new structure for termite prevention. Remember OISC's enforcement response policy states, *"if it is determined that a licensed business applies fifty (50) percent or less of the termiticide required for a full treatment, the category 7b business license for that company will be modified to prohibit preconstruction treatments. In addition, the details of the violation(s) may be forwarded to the local prosecutor for criminal review."*
3. Supervise unlicensed applicators and registered technicians. Remember non-licensed/non-registered applicators require on-site supervision by a certified applicator. On-site supervision means the physical presence of the supervising certified applicator at the worksite under circumstances that permit continuous direct voice contact with the non-certified individual. Registered technicians don't require on-site supervision, but must have
 - a. a site assessment fact sheet or site specific instructions,
 - b. a label for each pesticide product used that day,
 - c. voice communication with their certified applicator and
 - d. label mandated PPE and instructions on its proper use.
4. Become familiar with the additional regulatory requirements for applying pesticides on school property. Both OISC and the US EPA support the adoption of IPM principals for managing pests in and around schools. When applying pesticides at schools, applicators must adhere to the "school rule," which can be found at http://www.oisc.purdue.edu/pesticide/pest_use_at_school.html . While many of the requirements apply directly to the school system, they will rely on you for such items as advance notice of application times, dates and application records.
5. Become familiar with Indiana's Pollinator Protection Plan available at http://oisc.purdue.edu/pesticide/p3_activities.html and the pollinator protection language on labels for the neonicotinoid group of insecticides. This group of insecticides is highly toxic to bees and other pollinators. In an effort to protect pollinators, the US EPA has required new restrictions for the application of neonicotinoid insecticides and possibly other insecticides as well.

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