

School District #62 (Sooke)

PEST MANAGEMENT	No.: F-228
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ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

The Board recognizes that under extenuating circumstances, it may be necessary to use chemicals. When this is done, use shall be in accordance with local, Provincial, and Federal legislation.

1. Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is an effective and environmentally sensitive approach to pest management that relies on a combination of common sense approaches. IPM programs use current and comprehensive information on the life cycles of pests and their interactions with the environment. This information, along with best practices for pest control, is used to manage pest damage by the most environmentally friendly and economically efficient means possible.
2. The application of any pesticides shall be undertaken only by licenced and certified applicators. All applications shall be during non-school times.
3. The application of herbicides and pesticides will pay strict adherence to all applicable environmental Acts and regulations of the Province of British Columbia. These requirements include:
 - ◆ Posting and notification
 - ◆ Timing
 - ◆ Buffer and pesticide free zones
4. Local pesticide by-laws exist within some jurisdictions. If such by-laws exist in the area pesticide treatments are being applied, it will be a legal requirement to adhere to them. When consulting these guidelines or relevant by-laws, the more stringent requirements should be followed. Also, the School District and the individual municipalities have the ability to liaise and jointly develop guidelines suitable to both parties.
5. Records of pesticide use will be maintained on site to meet the requirements of the regulatory body and the School District. Records must be kept current, complete, accurate and accessible if required.