MAINE BOARD OF PESTICIDES CONTROL
POLICY CONCERNING POSTING REQUIREMENTS FOR FACILITY STAFF EXEMPTED FROM LICENSURE BY EO 7-A FY 20/21 WHO ARE MAKING FREQUENT POWERED APPLICATIONS OF GENERAL USE DISINFECTANTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF ROUTINE CLEANING AS REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 26, SECTION 3(B)

Adopted March 5, 2021

BACKGROUND

At its January 20, 2021 meeting, the Board discussed Executive Order 7-A FY 20/21. This Executive Order (EO) amended EO 7 FY 20/21 (pertaining to K-12 schools) and expanded the exemption from commercial licensure for powered application of general use antimicrobial pesticides to the following institutional settings:

- hospitals,
- municipal and county government facilities and vehicles, and
- universities and colleges.

All other relevant regulations remain in effect, including posting and notification requirements detailed in CMR 012-026, Chapter 26, Standards For Indoor Pesticide Applications And Notification For All Occupied Buildings Except K - 12 Schools, Section 3(B). Chapter 26.03(B) requires advanced posting at least 24 hours and no more than seven days prior to each indoor application at institutions. The Board approved written notice must remain posted for at least 48 hours following the application. The posting must be in in a conspicuous place or places where notices to employees are customarily posted.

This policy identifies approved locations, frequency, advance timing and duration of posting which may be used by employees of facilities identified by EO 7-A FY 20/21.
POLICY

For the purposes of EO 7-A FY 20/21 the posting required by Chapter 26, Section 2(B), may be made in the following manner:

Before pesticide applications commence in a facility identified in EO 7-A FY 20/21, staff conducting powered applications of general use disinfectants must post or cause to be posted a Board approved written notice (see attached) in a conspicuous place or places where notices to employees are customarily posted. The notice must inform employees of the planned application and about their right to ask for and receive more specific information, as described in Chapter 26.03(D). The Board approved written notice or a sign with equivalent written content must remain posted for at least 48 hours following the application.

Where multiple applications will occur over an extended period of time a single notice conforming with the attached Board approved example may be posted. The notice must include a date range for the applications to be made.

All other relevant sections of Chapter 26 and all other regulations remain in effect.

This policy will expire concurrent with the expiration of EO 7-A FY 20/21
Notice of Pesticide Application

Disinfectants May Be Applied in this Building as Part of an Integrated Pest Management Program on (date/date range) ____________

To request information about the use of disinfectants in this building contact:

Primary Contact: _______________________________________

Phone/E-mail: _______________________________________

*This sign must remain posted for at least 48 hours after the application is completed.*

Date Posted or Provided: ___________________

Person Providing Notice: ___________________

Date/Time Completed: ___________________

Remove sign on: ___________________

For general information on pesticides and regulations contact:

Maine Board of Pesticides Control
287-2731, or visit www.thinkfirstspraylast.org