



MEMORANDUM

To: Pesticide Applicators and Other Interested Parties
From: Ryan A. Okey, Assistant Director
Subject: Second-Generation Anticoagulant Rodenticides (SGARs) – South Carolina Restricted Use Pesticide

You have received this memorandum because you may apply second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides Brodifacoum, Difethialone, Bromadiolone, and Difenacoum in the state of South Carolina. On January 1st, 2025, the South Carolina Department of Pesticide Regulation classified products containing these ingredients as a state-restricted-use pesticide for a period of no less than one (1) year. The Department will begin to enforce this state classification on February 1st, 2025. This means that products containing those ingredients will only be sold by licensed dealers and those sales will be limited to certified pesticide applicators (commercial, noncommercial, private). Certified applicators will be able to continue to purchase, apply, and supervise the application of the products containing those ingredients.

Direct Supervision

The use of any pesticide classified as restricted use by the EPA or the Department, regardless of the signal word, will require the supervising licensed applicator (licensed in the proper category), to be within 30 (thirty) miles by ordinary ground transportation of the application site and immediately accessible by telephone or radio.

Applicator Records Maintenance

Records must be maintained by each company or firm employing licensed commercial or noncommercial pesticide applicators, each licensed commercial applicator if self-employed, and by the employer of each licensed noncommercial applicator, of all pesticides used.

The record must include the quantity of each pesticide used, received, or purchased, the common chemical name of the active ingredient(s) (if available), the brand name and EPA Registration Number, the pest or purpose for which the pesticide was applied, and the date and place of application. It is not necessary to list the pests involved for general household insect control or for general insect control measures in commercial and industrial

establishments. In these cases, the record may indicate merely “household pests” or “general insect control.”

Records of other than termiticides must be maintained for a period of two (2) years from the date of the application.

Inspectors with the Department of Pesticide Regulation routinely conduct routine applicator inspections to determine that only certified applicators are purchasing, applying or supervising the application of restricted-use pesticides and to determine if pesticides are being stored according to state regulations and in a manner consistent with the product label. If you need assistance or have questions about the safe storage, sale, and display of pesticides, please contact your nearest Department of Pesticide Regulation Field Inspector.