

TASK OUTLINE

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**TSK-FM5950.06A HANDLING, APPLYING, AND RECORDING
PESTICIDE USE**

After being assigned by the supervisor to apply pesticides to WWU landscapes, or structures, the **WWU Employee:**

1. **Must be licensed** by the Washington State Department of Agriculture to apply Restricted Use Pesticides (RUPs) as a **Public Operator** if applying pesticides to landscapes or to structures. The University's procedure for applications of pesticide and record keeping shall comply with and be performed under the authority of the **Washington Pesticide Control Act (15.58 RCW)**, the **Washington Pesticide Application Act (17.21 RCW)**, the **General Pesticide Rules (WAC 16-228)**, and the **Worker Protection Standard (WAC 16-233)**.
2. **Must post** notification of a pesticide application within the Fairhaven College Courtyard at least 48 hours before the application per WSDA notification requirements. Pesticide applications made to the Child Development Center structures or other facilities including landscapes must be posted at the location with signs at least 8-1/2" x 11" in size. The signs must include the name of the pesticide applied, the date, time and location of the application, the pest to be controlled and a contact name and phone number. ***Note: As of this writing (4/27/07), the entire Fairhaven College Courtyard and the Child Development Center area are currently experimental "Pesticide Free Zones" and are posted as such. Until further notice, no pesticides shall be applied in those areas.***
3. **Mix and load** pesticides and wear appropriate personal protective equipment per manufacturers label requirements. Mixing and loading must be done at the designated closed system drain outside of the Grounds shop. Pesticides must be kept in the original labeled containers.
4. **Calibrate** spray equipment to assure correct application rates for the targeted pest according to label requirements.
5. **Apply** pesticides in early morning in dry, calm weather with a wind speed of less than 4 miles per hour to minimize drift. Individual

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application sites shall be marked per WSDA rules on signs no less than 4" x 5".

6. **Triple Rinse** all spray and measuring equipment as well as any empty chemical containers after an application is completed. All mixed pesticide products shall be used no later than the day it is mixed. Pesticides shall not be left in spray equipment overnight.
7. **Return** pesticides and measuring devices to the pesticide storage locker and be certain that the padlock is closed before leaving.
8. **Record** applications per RCW 17.21.100 of the Washington Pesticide Application Act and WAC 16-228-1320 of the General Pesticide Rules. **Complete** Pesticide Application Record (Version 1). A record of the application must be made immediately after and on the same day as the application.
9. **Refer** to WSDA Washington Pesticide Laws and Other Related Regulations Hand-Out Booklet for more information.