

Notification Requirements for Growers

California Code of Regulations 6618 and 6619

6618. Notice of Application – Notifications may be given orally or in writing and must be made prior to application, and in time for the person(s) notified to take appropriate action. If time of application is changed, new notices must be given prior to application.

1. Commercial or Research Production Agriculture – Applications made to the crop

- a. Grower must notify...
 - i. Grower's own employees (excepting those making the application)
 - ii. Employers/contractors (e.g., Farm Labor Contractors) – the employer/contractor shall assure notice is provided his/her employees working on the grower's property
 - iii. Other persons – Any other person the grower has prior knowledge will likely enter the field on the date of the application or during any Restricted Entry Interval (REI)
- b. Notification information must include...
 - i. Date of application
 - ii. Location and description of field
 - iii. Instructions not to enter the field being treated and its "Application Exclusion Zone" until authorized by grower (unless early entry is provided for pursuant to CCR 6770)
- c. Notification is not required if...
 - i. The field is posted (unless the pesticide label requires both oral notification and posting), or
 - ii. No employee or employer will walk within ¼ mile of the field from the start of application to the time Notice of Completed Application is received by the grower

2. All applications other than Commercial or Research Production

Agriculture – Applications not to the crop (e.g., weed control along roadside, headland, ditch bank)

- a. Grower notification responsibilities – Grower must give notice to all persons on the property to be treated or who may enter the property during the application or REI (excepting those making the application)
- b. Notification information must include...
 - i. Date of application
 - ii. Identity of pesticide (and spray adjuvants) by brand or common chemical name
 - iii. Any other precautions on the pesticide label or any law or regulation related to entry of the treated area

6619. Notice of Completed Application (see reverse)

6619. Notice of Completed Application – Notifications may be given orally or in writing. A Notice of Completed Application is only required when applying pesticides for the commercial or research production of an agricultural commodity.

1. **Grower shall assure notice is given to the following person(s)...**
 - a. Grower's own employees (excepting those making the application)
 - b. Employers/contractors (e.g., Farm Labor Contractors) – the employer/contractor shall assure notice is provided his/her employees working on the grower's property
 - c. Other persons – Any other person the grower has prior knowledge will likely enter the treated field during any Restricted Entry Interval (REI)

2. **Notice information must include...**
 - a. Location and description of field
 - b. Time during which entry is restricted
 - c. Instructions not to enter the field treated until the REI has expired (unless early entry is provided for pursuant to CCR 6770)

3. **Exception to notification requirement** – Notice of Completed Application is not required if the grower can assure...
 - a. The field is posted (unless the pesticide label requires both oral notification and posting), or
 - b. No employee or employer will walk within $\frac{1}{4}$ mile of the field during the REI

4. **Records**
 - a. The grower/property operator must keep a record of the application(s) made on their property. The record shall include the date(s) and time(s) the application started and ended
 - b. Records must be kept for two years