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replant of individual vine or tree-sites (tree holes) less than one contiguous acre are not considered field soil furnigations under the provisions of section 6449.1.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 11456, 12976, 12981, 14005, and 14102, Food and Agricultural Code Reference: Sections 11501, 12981, 14006, and 14102, Food and Agricultural Code.

6449.1. Chloropicrin Field Fumigation Methods.

- (a) Application rate must not exceed 400 pounds of chloropicrin per acre.
- (b) For products containing chloropicrin as the sole active ingredient, the field soil funigation must be made using only the methods described in section 6447.3 or 6448.1. However within the San Joaquin Valley, Southeast Desert, or Ventura ozone nonattainment areas the methods described in the following sections are prohibited: 6447.3(a)(1), (2), (4), and (6); if applied as alternating fumigated and unfumigated areas (strip fumigation), methods 6447.3(a)(3) and (5); 6448.1(c)(1) and (5); and if applied as a bed fumigation, 6448.1(c)(2).
- (c) If there are no labeling requirements specifying soil moisture, then at time of application soil must contain at least enough moisture above the depth of application to meet the following test appropriate to the soil texture for:
- (1) coarse soils (sand and loamy sand) at least enough moisture to form a ball when compressed by hand, that may break when tapped;
- (2) loamy, moderately coarse, or medium textured (coarse sandy loam, sandy loam, fine sandy loam) at least enough moisture so that soil forms a ball that holds together when tapped;
- (3) fine texture soils (clay loam, silty clay loam, sandy clay, silty clay, sandy clay loam and clay) at least enough moisture so that the soil is pliable, not crumbly. Forms a ribbon when squeezed between the thumb and forefinger.
- (d) Tarpaulin Repair.
- (1) If a tarpaulin is used, the operator of the property shall maintain a "tarpaulin repair response plan." The tarpaulin repair response plan shall identify the responsibilities of the licensed pest control business and/or the permittee with regard to tarpaulin damage detection and repair activities. At a minimum, the tarpaulin repair response plan shall indicate the parties responsible for the repair and incorporate the applicable elements described in (2) below.
- (2) The "tarpaulin repair response plan" must state with specificity the situations when tarpaulin repair must be conducted. The situations should be based on, but not limited to, hazard to the public, residents, or workers; proximity to occupied structures, size of the damaged area(s); timing of damage; feasibility and response time of repair; and environmental factors such as wind speed and direction.
- (e) Notwithstanding subsection (b), a reduced volatile organic compound emission field fumigation method approved pursuant to section 6452 or a method for experimental research purposes pursuant to a valid research authorization issued according to section 6260 may be allowed.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 11456, 12976, 12981, 14005, and 14102, Food and Agricultural Code.

Reference: Sections 41501, 12981, 14006, and 14102, Food and Agricultural Code.

6450. Metam-Sodium, Potassium N-methyldithiocarbamate (metam-potassium), and Dazomet Field Fumigation – General Requirements.

The provisions of sections 6450.1 and 6450.2 apply to field soil fumigation using metam-sodium, potassium N-methyldithiocarbamate (metam-potassium), or dazomet within the Sacramento Metro, San

Joaquin Valley, South Coast, Southeast Desert, or Ventura ozone nonattainment areas during the May 1 through October 31 time period. Golf courses, tree applications for prevention of root graft disease transmission, wood decay uses, potting soil, replant of individual vine or tree-sites (tree holes) less than one contiguous acre, raised-tarpaulin nursery fumigations of less than one acre, and greenhouses and other similar structures are not considered field soil fumigations under the provisions of sections 6450.1 and 6450.2.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 11456, 12976, 12981, 14005, and 14102, Food and Agricultural Code. Reference: Sections 11501, 12981, 14006, and 14102, Food and Agricultural Code.

6459.4. Motam Sedium and Potassium N-methyldithiocarbamate (Metam Potassium) Field Fumigation Methods.

- (a) Application rate must not exceed 320 pounds active ingredient per acre for metam-sodium. Application rate must not exceed 350 pounds active ingredient per acre for potassium N-methyldithiocarbanate (metam-potassium).
- (b) Except for the method described in subsection (d)(9), if there are no labeling requirements specifying soil moisture, then at time of application soil must contain at least enough moisture above the depth of application to meet the following test appropriate to the soil texture for:
- (1) coarse soils (sand and loamy sand) at least enough moisture to form a ball when compressed by hand, that may break when tapped;
- (2) loamy, moderately coarse, or medium textured (coarse sandy loam, sandy loam, fine sandy loam) at least enough moisture so that soil forms a ball that holds together when tapped;
- (3) fine texture soils (clay loam, silty clay loam, sandy clay, silty clay, sandy clay loam, and clay) at least enough moisture so that the soil is pliable, not crumbly. Forms a ribbon when squeezed between thumb and forefinger.
- (c) Furnigations must start no earlier than one hour after sunrise and must be completed no later than one hour before sunset except for the method described in subsection (d)(9).
- (d) The metam-sodium or potassium N-methyldithiocarbamate (metam-potassium) field soil fumigation must be made using only the methods described in this section. However, within the San Joaquin Valley, Southeast Desert, or Ventura ozone nonattainment areas, methods (1), (4), and (9) are prohibited. In addition to labeling requirements for each of these methods, the following requirements shall apply.
- (1) Sprinkler/Broadcast or Bed/One Post-Fumigation Water Treatment
- (A) Fumigation must be completed in a time that allows compliance with the post-fumigation water treatment below:
 - 1. Water must be applied by an irrigation method that uniformly covers the treated area in the entire application block.
 - 2. On the day of fumigation, one post-fumigation water treatment must consist of at least 0.20 inches of water, beginning within 30 minutes of the completion of fumigation.
 - 3. Apy additional post-fumigation water treatment(s) may be applied at any time.
- (2) Sprinkler/Broadcast or Bed/Two Post-Fumigation Water Treatments
- (A) Fumigation must be completed in a time that allows compliance with the post-fumigation water treatments below: