

Trainee Skills Declaration

Trainee Name:	Licence No: L
Supervisor Name:	Licence No: L
Pest Treated:	
Business Name:	
Business Address:	
<p>Work practice: The trainee must demonstrate the safe application of pesticides for the control of a particular pest, on a minimum of four separate occasions, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 independent applications of pesticides for the control of termites • 4 independent applications of pesticides for the control of ants • 4 independent applications of pesticides for the control of spiders <p>✓ These applications must take place under the <u>direct</u> supervision of a licensed technician.</p> <p>✓ The supervisor must complete this declaration, by ticking that the trainee has addressed the relevant skill areas during each pest control job, then signing the form.</p> <p>✓ The form must then be returned to the Department indicating the trainee has the skills to safely apply pesticides to control a nominated pest under <u>indirect</u> supervision.</p> <p>✓ This form is to be used for one type of pest only. Additional forms need to be completed for other types of pest.</p>	

	Treatment No.	1	2	3	4
1.	Identifying Pest				
2.	Identifying the correct equipment for the job				
3.	Correctly interpreting information on labels				
4.	Maintaining equipment				
5.	Selecting personal protective equipment				
6.	Correct methodology for preparing chemicals				
7.	Applying chemicals in prescribed manner				
8.	Handling and operating application equipment				
9.	Safe handling procedures for chemicals and equipment				
10.	Awareness of spill procedure				
11.	Locating and using Material Safety Data Sheets				
12.	Locating copies of instructions and procedures				
	Date & Initial				

Declaration: I/we the undersigned, certify thathas demonstrated they can use pesticides to safely control.....(type of pest) under indirect supervision

Signed: Supervisor..... Date...../...../.....

Explanation of Required Skills

1. Identifying Pest

The trainee must accurately identify the type and/or species of pest, assess the condition of the environment, identify the activity level, location of pest harbourages, and density of infestation.

2. Identifying the correct equipment for the job

The trainee must be able to determine the most relevant, cost effective and practical approach that is acceptable to the client and involves the lowest level of risk to client, operator and environment, and ensure that the equipment chosen is appropriate to this approach. The trainee must ensure that the pesticide selected is a suitable, registered pesticide for the identified pest, and appropriate to the pest control method chosen.

3. Correctly interpreting information on labels

The trainee must be able to interpret information on labels and relate this to the job, i.e. must select the appropriate PPE, use the correct methodology for preparing chemicals, apply the pesticides in the prescribed manner, and identify spill procedure and disposal methods.

4. Maintaining equipment.

Tools, equipment and PPE must be decontaminated and/or disposed of after use. Equipment must be maintained in a safe and clean condition in accordance with relevant legislation and company policy.

5. Selecting personal protective equipment

Hazards associated with the application of the pesticide must be determined, correct equipment selected to minimise risk, and equipment utilised in accordance with manufacturers instructions. This relates to the correct interpretation of MSDS and pesticide label.

6. Correct methodology for preparing chemicals

The trainee must be able to safely process chemicals from manufacturers formulation to application, strictly adhering to manufacturers instructions, using appropriate PPE and processing pesticides in an appropriate location to minimise risk of exposure and contamination.

7. Applying chemicals in the prescribed manner

The trainee must be able to accurately determine the correct method of application and chemicals must be applied in accordance with manufacturers instructions, legislative requirements and company policy. The trainee must be able to minimise contamination of areas not being treated, and put site control measures in place until the area is suitable for re-use. Emergencies must be responded to in accordance with relevant legislation, MSDS and company procedures. The client must be provided with all appropriate site maintenance and preventative documentation.

8. Handling and operating application equipment

The trainee must be trained in the operating principles of the equipment being used.

9. Safe handling procedures for chemicals and equipment

The trainee must be able to determine and utilise correct methods of application according to manufacturers instructions. This includes being able to use correct methodology for preparing and applying chemicals in the prescribed manner.

10. Awareness of spill procedure

The trainee must be able to assess the risk posed by a spill, and use the spill kit. All accidental spillages must be removed safely from the site, and disposed of in accordance with relevant legislation and company policy.

11. Locating and using Material Safety Data Sheets

The trainee must be able to access MSDSs, and accurately interpret information given as it relates to a situation.

12. Locating copies of instructions and procedures

The trainee must be able to access up to date instructions and procedures for all pesticides and equipment being used (both statutory and manufacturers instructions), and accurately interpret information given as it relates to a situation.

Please return by fax to: Pest Control Program 1300 881 765, or post GPO Box 4057, Melbourne VIC 3001

Privacy statement

The Department of Human Services is bound by Victoria's privacy laws, including the *Information Privacy Act 2000*. We will use the information provided by you on this form to confirm your ability to apply pesticides safely under indirect supervision as defined in the *Conditions of licence - trainee*. If you do not provide us with this information, you will only be able to apply pesticides in the business of a pest control operator to control particular pests under the direct supervision of your supervisor. It is an offence to breach a condition of licence.

You have the right under FOI legislation to apply for access to, and correction of, your personal information held by the Department. For more information about how to make a request, please visit the Department's FOI website at <http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/foi/> or call (03) 9606 8449.