



Guide to Obtaining a Pest Management Business Registration

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The following information will assist a person to register their pest management business.

NOTE: This registration is additional to any other business registration required by another government agency

1. The *Health (Pesticides) Regulations 2011*, requires that all commercial pesticide businesses are registered with the Department of Health (DOH). (On approval of a business registration, a number will be allocated to your business. This is to be displayed on your vehicle along with your business name. The display of this information will indicate to your clients of your legitimacy).
2. The proprietor of the business need not be a licensed technician, but the business must employ a licensed technician at all times.
3. Registration will not be issued unless a licensed technician has been nominated as being employed by the business and is responsible for the application of pesticides or fumigants on behalf of the business requiring registration.
4. **The Local Government in which you propose to locate your business, may require you to apply for a home occupation licence if you are conducting your business in a residential area. Regardless of where you intend to locate your business, some form of approval may be required from the Local Government. To avoid unnecessary delays in the processing of your business registration application, please ensure that you have obtained the required approval from your local government, and attach this to your application form (eg. Home Occupation, Dangerous Goods Permit etc).**

Note: Specific approval may be required from other government agencies for businesses engaged in fumigation.



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5. All business vehicles used for the application of pesticides and fumigants for remuneration must display the name of the business and the registration number in lettering not less than 50mm in height, issued by the DOH.
 6. All vehicles intended to be used by a business for the application of pesticides are to be inspected by the Pesticide Safety Section, or the Local Government Environmental Health Officer, if located outside of the metropolitan area prior to use.
 7. It is the responsibility of the business proprietor to ensure that licensed technicians are provided with suitable personal protective equipment and clothing, whilst handling and applying pesticides or fumigants and that all equipment is maintained in efficient working order.
 8. Sufficient gas detection equipment is to be obtained and maintained in good working order. In some instances, self contained breathing apparatus may be required where fumigation is part of the business.
 9. The business location must have adequate security where pesticides or fumigants are stored to prevent access by unauthorised persons, and be so situated that neighbours will not be adversely affected.
 10. Where pesticides are to be stored on site, there must be adequate ventilation and be away from work areas. Storage of registered pesticides must comply with AS2507:1998 as amended while storage of gaseous cylinders must comply with AS4332:2004 as amended.

Note: A Dangerous Goods permit may be required, this is dependent on the amount of fumigant to be stored.

11. It is advisable to contact Pesticide Safety to ensure that the site is suitable for fumigation purposes.

Note: There are additional requirement for fumigation site suitability in accordance with AS2476:2008 and AS4332:2004 as amended.

12. The application form for the registration of a pest management business should be completed and returned together with the annual fee of **\$280** plus any other approvals issued by the Local Government or other government agencies.



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