

Notice of aerial spraying of pesticides near water



Control of Pesticides Regulations 1986 as amended, Schedule 4, paragraphs 2(1), b and c.

Please read through this form and the guidance notes that came with it. Please write clearly in the answer spaces.

Once you have all the information you need, it will take less than one hour to fill in this form.

You'll need:

- details of the location of the site and helicopter landing area, including grid references and site plans;
- details of the organisations you have contacted; and
- the sprayer's NPTC certificate number.

When to use this form

Use this form to ask for our agreement for you to aerial spray pesticides on land which is next to or within 250 metres of water or to aerial spray herbicides to control aquatic weeds (weeds growing in water).

'Pesticides' includes herbicides, insecticides and fungicides.

By law you must give us at least 72 hours' notice before any spraying. However, to give us time to make enquiries, it

would be helpful if you could send us your form at least three weeks before the spraying will take place. You can send your form by email, fax or post to the Environment Agency Permitting Support Centre office in Sheffield (details are given in section 5 of this document).

If you need more space for any of your answers, please use separate sheets of paper (continuation sheets). Make sure that you label each sheet clearly with:

- the question number it applies to; and
- the number of the sheet (for example, 3 of 5).

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1 About the applicant and site

Date of spraying (DD/MM/YYYY)

1.1 Your details

Company name and registration number

Your title (Mr, Mrs, Miss and so on) _____

First name _____

Last name _____

Address

Postcode _____

Contact numbers, including the area code

Phone _____

Fax _____

Mobile _____

Email _____

Are you:

the owner of the site?

Please go to section 1.3.

the contractor?

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the owner's agent?

other?

If other, please give details.

1.2 Details of site owner or person or agency responsible for the site

Company name and registration number

Your title (Mr, Mrs, Miss and so on) _____

First name _____

Last name _____

Address

Postcode _____

Contact numbers, including the area code

Phone _____

Fax _____

Mobile _____

Email _____

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1.3 Please give details of who will apply the herbicide.

The spray operator must hold an Aerial Applications Certificate.

Name of the spray operator

Their Aerial Applications Certificate number

Certificate not applicable because born before 31 December 1964

If this is the spray operator's first application to the Environment Agency, please send us a photocopy of the NPTC Certificate.

Location details

1.4 Please give the following details.

Location of the areas to be treated

Nearest village or town

1.5 Ordnance Survey grid reference for the site

For example, ST 1234 5678

Use an Ordnance Survey map.

For large areas, please give one grid reference for each side of the area. For smaller areas, one or two references are enough.

1.6 Please send us a site plan that shows the site to be sprayed, its surrounding area, and possible helicopter landing sites.

There is an example in the guidance notes.

1.7 Have you ever had permission to use a pesticide on this site?

Don't know

No

Yes

Please say when and give the reference number and further details if possible.

Date (DD/MM/YYYY)

Reference number

Further details (for example, scheme name and project officer, if known)

2 Weed control

2.1 What do you plan to control?

Bracken

Other Please give details below.

2.2 Why do you think you need to spray the areas?

2.3 The pesticide you want to use

The product label gives you the information we ask for below.

Product name

Active ingredient

Maximum amount of product in litres or kilogrammes

Dilution rate

Amount of active ingredient in each litre or kilogramme of the product

3 Other interested parties you should contact

Please tell us which other organisations you have contacted about this spraying programme.

Natural England

Countryside Council for Wales

Water Company

National Park Authority

English Heritage

Chief Environmental Health Officer

Local Bee Keepers Spray warning programme

Occupants of land within 25m of land boundary to be treated

Other, for example, other institutions such as Hospital or school lying within 150m of treatment flight path.

4 Checklist

Please tick the relevant boxes to show the documents you are enclosing with this form.

A photocopy of the operator's Aerial Applications Certificate (section 1.3)

A map showing the proposed areas of spraying and possible helicopter landing sites (section 1.6)

Continuation sheets

How many?

5 What happens next

Please send the form back to the following address:

Environment Agency
Permitting Support Centre
Quadrant 2
99 Parkway Avenue
Parkway Business Park
Sheffield
S9 4WF.

Phone: 08708 506 506

Fax: 01142 62 66 60

Email: enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk

We aim to deal with your application within three weeks of receiving it. However, under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, we must consult Natural England or the Countryside Council for Wales (as appropriate) before giving our permission for any activity that may affect a site of special scientific interest. Natural England or Countryside Council for Wales have 28 days to respond, although they will aim to respond within three weeks.

If we agree to your proposal, we will let you know by post, fax or email.

If we have any objections to your proposals, we will discuss them with you.

If we do not agree to your proposal and you are not happy with our decision, you can ask us to refer your proposals to the regional director.

6 The Data Protection Act 1998

We, the Environment Agency, will process the information you provide so that we can:

- deal with your application;
- make sure you keep to the conditions of our reply to your notice; and
- process renewals.

We may also process or release the information to:

- offer you documents or services relating to environmental matters;
- consult the public, public organisations and other organisations (for example, the Health and Safety Executive, local authorities, the emergency services, the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) on environmental issues;
- carry out research and development work on environmental issues;
- prevent anyone from breaking environmental law, investigate cases where environmental law may have been broken, and take any action that is needed;

6 The Data Protection Act 1998, continued

- assess whether customers are satisfied with our service, and to improve our service; and
- respond to requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (if the Data Protection Act allows).

We may pass the information on to our agents or representatives to do these things for us.

7 Declaration

If you make a statement that you know or believe is false or misleading you may be committing an offence.

I declare that as far as I know and believe, the information in this application is true. I understand that this application may be refused, or agreement withdrawn, if I give false or incomplete information.

Tick this box to confirm that you understand and agree with the declaration above.

If you are the applicant's agent, or are signing on behalf of an organisation, please also print your name and your position.

Name

Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss and so on) _____

First name _____

Last name _____

Position

Date (DD/MM/YYYY)

8 How to contact us

If you need help filling in this form, please contact the person who sent it to you or contact us as shown below.

General enquiries: 08708 506 506 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm)

Textphone: 08702 422549 (Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm)

Email: enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk

Website: www.environment-agency.gov.uk

If you are happy with our service, please tell us. It helps us to identify good practice and encourages our staff. If you're not happy with our service, please tell us how we can improve it.

Please tell us if you need information in a different language or format (for example, in large print) so we can keep in touch with you more easily.



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Notification reference number

Date received (DD/MM/YYYY)

Region and area

Are there any objections?

No

Yes Give details of the objections and the date the letter setting out the objections was sent to the applicant.