What retailers need to know

An overview of Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR 4-6-66) that pertain to governing the sale and display of pesticide products to the public.

PESTICIDE DISPLAYS

For pesticides labeled for outdoor use

⇒ Shall have a separate and distinct section for display, as distinguished from pesticides labeled for use inside the home
⇒ Shall post a sign with legible bold print not less than 0.5 inch in height to read, “Pesticide products for garden and lawn or outdoor use only—it is unlawful and may be hazardous to use inside your home.”

For all pesticides

⇒ Shall post within 10 feet of any pesticide product display or sales area, a warning sign that includes:
   1. Information regarding proper handling, storage, and disposal of all pesticides sold;
   2. Emergency telephone numbers to call in case of poisoning from the pesticides; and
   3. A statement that use of any pesticide product in a manner inconsistent with its label is prohibited by law
⇒ This sign shall be no less than 17 inches by 22 inches and contain lettering of sufficient size (no less than 16 point bold type) which will enable the sign to be read from a distance of 6 feet

EXAMPLE WORDAGE

1. For the proper use, handling, storage, and disposal of a pesticide product as required by Federal and State law, please refer to its label.
2. In case of pesticide poisoning, please call the American Association of Poison Control Centers at 1-800-222-1222.
3. It is a violation of Federal and State law to use any pesticide product in a manner inconsistent with its label.
WHAT IS A PESTICIDE?

Any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest; and any substance or mixture of substances intended for use as a plant desiccant, regulator, or defoliant. [HAR 4-66-2]

HERBICIDES: for plants

FUNGICIDES: for fungi

DISINFECTANTS: for microbes

INSECTICIDES: for insects

ALGAECIDES: for algae

PESTICIDE STORAGE

Pesticides cannot be stored, displayed, placed for sale or transported where food and food containers, feed, water for human or animal consumption, or any other items that are likely to become contaminated and may cause a hazard or cause injury to humans, vegetation, crops, livestock, wildlife, beneficial insects, and aquatic life. [HAR 4-66-54 (a)]

HOW TO ID A PESTICIDE PRODUCT

Look for the following on the label:
- Pesticidal claim
- EPA Registration or EPA Reg. Number

REMEMBER:

Only retailers and dealers licensed with Hawaii Dept. of Agriculture can sell Restricted Use Pesticides (RUPs). The list of RUPs can be found at:
http://hdoa.hawaii.gov/pi/pest/licensed-pesticides/
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