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Article 1 – Agricultural Chemicals

The Agricultural Chemical Act

KANSAS ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

K.A.R. 4-1-2. Definitions. In addition to the terms defined in K.S.A. 2-2202 and amendments thereto, the following terms shall have the meanings specified in this regulation: (a) “Abstracted,” as used in K.S.A. 2-2202(x)(3) and amendments thereto, means omitted.
(b) “The act,” and “the agricultural chemical act” mean K.S.A. 2-2201 et seq., and amendments thereto.
(c) “Authorized representative” and “designee” mean any person authorized by the secretary to enforce the act.
(d) “Pesticide” shall include insecticides, fungicides, rodenticides, herbicides, nematocides, defoliants, desiccants, and antimicrobials.
(e) “Plant-incorporated protectant” means any pesticidal substance produced by any plant and the genetic material necessary for the plant to produce the substance.
(f) “Plant regulator” shall not include any substance labeled or otherwise represented solely for use as a plant nutrient, fertilizer, or soil amendment.
(g) “Product” means one or more pesticides formulated, packaged, and labeled for distribution or sale.

K.A.R. 4-1-5. Label. The label of each product shall show clearly and prominently the following items: (a) The complete name of the product under which the product is registered under the act;
(b) the name and address of the manufacturer, registrant, or person for whom the product was manufactured. Unless otherwise stated, any name and address on the label shall be considered as the name and address of the manufacturer. If the registrant’s name appears on the label and the registrant is not the manufacturer or if the name of the person for whom the product was manufactured appears on the label, the name that appears on the label shall be qualified by appropriate wording that may include “packed for,” “distributed by,” or “sold by,” to indicate that the name is not that of the manufacturer. If the product is manufactured in more than one location or at a location separate from the manufacturer’s principal office, then the product label shall state either one of the addresses where the product is manufactured or the address of the manufacturer’s principal office;
(c) the EPA registration number, if required under the provisions of FIFRA;
(d) the net contents;
(e) an ingredient statement, which shall meet the following requirements:
   (1) The ingredient statement shall appear on the front panel of the label unless the secretary or designee determines that, due to the size or form of the container, a statement on that portion of the label is impractical and permits this statement to appear on another side or panel of the label. If so permitted, the ingredient statement shall be in larger type and more prominent than the surrounding text. The ingredient statement shall run parallel with other printed matter on the panel of the label on which the ingredient statement appears and shall be on a clear, contrasting background and not obscured or crowded;
   (2) the acceptable common name of each active ingredient as specified in FIFRA shall appear on the ingredient statement or, if the active ingredient has no common name, the correct chemical name shall be stated. A trademark or trade name shall not be used as the name of an active ingredient unless the trademark or trade name has become a common name;
(3) active ingredients and inert ingredients shall be so designated. The term "inert ingredient" shall appear in the same size type and be as prominent as the term "active ingredient"; and
(4) the percentages of all ingredients shall be determined by weight, and the sum of the percentages of all ingredients shall be 100. Sliding-scale forms of ingredient statements shall not be used;
(f) a first aid statement; and
(g) a warning or caution statement. The warning or caution statement shall appear on the label in a place sufficiently prominent to warn the user and shall state clearly and in nontechnical language the particular hazards involved in the use of the product and the precautions to be taken to avoid accident, injury, or damage to humans and other nontarget organisms. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 2-2205; implementing K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 2-2202; effective Jan. 1, 1966; amended May 1, 1982; amended June 10, 2011.)

K.A.R. 4-1-9. Registration. (a) Pursuant to K.S.A. 2-2204 and amendments thereto, a product may be registered by one of the following: any manufacturer, authorized agent of the manufacturer, packer, seller, distributor, or shipper of that product.
(b) The registrant shall be responsible for the accuracy and completeness of all information submitted in connection with the application for registration of a product.
(c) Each registrant shall submit the product labeling to the secretary or designee when initially registering the product and whenever changing or modifying the labeling. When a registrant submits a product’s labeling due to a change or modification in the labeling, the labeling shall be accompanied with a written statement that clearly and specifically describes the changes from the previous labeling and the proposed date of implementation of the new labeling. After the effective date of a change in labeling, the product shall be marketed only under the new labeling. Any registrant may request from the secretary or designee that a reasonable time be permitted to relabel or dispose of any products with the old labeling. After the initial registration of a product, any registrant may register that product no more than four consecutive years without the submission of the product label if there is no change to the product label.
(d) Claims or representations made for a product by the registrant or registrant’s agent shall not differ from claims or representations made in connection with registration. These claims or representations shall include the following:
(1) Publications or advertising literature that accompanies the product or is distributed separately from the product;
(2) advertising by radio, television, internet sites, or other electronic media; and
(3) verbal and written communication.
(e) If the secretary requires additional information in support of the registration and the registrant believes that the requirement for additional data is unreasonable, the registrant may request a conference with the secretary or designee to discuss the requirement and consider alternatives. Each request for a conference shall be made no later than 20 days after the date on which the request for additional data is sent to the registrant.
(f) Each registration shall be valid through the last day of the calendar year in which the product was registered, unless the registration has been canceled or suspended before that day. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 2-2205; implementing K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 2-2204; effective Jan. 1, 1966; amended May 1, 1982; amended June 10, 2011.)

K.A.R. 4-1-9a. Registration for special local need. (a) Each person registering a product for additional uses and methods of application not stated on the product’s labeling under section three of FIFRA, but not inconsistent with federal law, for the purpose of meeting a special local need shall submit an application for the special local need to the secretary or designee. Each application shall include the following:
(1) A statement explaining why a special local need registration is necessary;
(2) efficacy and residue data;
(3) a letter from a subject matter expert, as recognized by the secretary or designee, detailing support for the special local need registration;
(4) EPA form 8570-25, “application for/notification of state registration of a pesticide to meet a special local need”; and
(5) a proposed label for the product.
(b) A product shall not be eligible for special local need registration if at least one of the following conditions is met:
(1) There is insufficient evidence to support a special local need for the additional use or method of application within the state.
(2) The registrant and product do not meet all requirements under the act and the Kansas pesticide law.
(3) For a food or feed use, the additional use or method of application does not have an established residue tolerance, or an exemption from tolerance, under FIFRA.
(4) The same use or method of application has previously been denied, disapproved, suspended, or cancelled by EPA.
(5) The same use or method of application has been voluntarily cancelled by the registrant.
(c) A special local need registration shall be issued to the applicant upon referral of the application to EPA by the secretary.
(d) A special local need registration shall be immediately cancelled by the secretary or designee if the application is disapproved by EPA.
(e) Each special local need registration of a product shall be renewed annually, but may be renewed no more than
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K.A.R. 4-1-9a. Emergency situation exemptions. (a) Any person may submit a request for a registration exemption under section 18 of FIFRA to the secretary or designee if an emergency situation exists.

(b) “Emergency situation” shall include the following: a specific emergency, a public health emergency, a quarantine emergency, and a crisis emergency that is urgent and nonroutine.

(c) Each request for registration exemption under section 18 of FIFRA shall include documentation of each of the following:

(1) No effective registered products are available.

(2) No feasible alternative control practices are available.

(3) The emergency situation involves the introduction of a new pest, will present significant risks to human health or the environment, or will cause significant economic loss.

(d) Each person seeking an emergency situation exemption shall compile and present to the secretary or designee any additional information required by EPA to support the request.

(e) Each person distributing a product under the emergency situation exemption shall provide the end user with the product labeling that was approved for the emergency situation exemption.

(f) Each person distributing or using products under an emergency situation exemption shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Comply with all reporting requirements contained within the emergency situation exemption; and

(2) notify the secretary or designee of any adverse effects resulting from the use of the product. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 2-2205; implementing K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 2-2207; effective June 10, 2011.)

K.A.R. 4-1-13. Enforcement; product sampling. Collection of samples of products for analysis shall be performed by the secretary or designee. A sample may be taken as either an unopened original package or a portion from the unopened original package. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 2-2205; implementing K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 2-2206, as amended by L. 2010, ch. 17, §10; effective Jan. 1, 1966; amended May 1, 1982; amended June 10, 2011.)

K.A.R. 4-1-14. Experimental use. (a) A product, including a plant or seed modified genetically to include a plant-incorporated protectant, may be distributed for experimental use without registration under K.S.A. 2-2204, and amendments thereto, if either of the following conditions is met:

(1) A permit for the product has been obtained from the secretary or designee.

(2) The experimental use of the product is limited to one of the following:

(A) Laboratory or greenhouse tests; or

(B) a small-scale test conducted on a cumulative total of no more than one acre of land per pest.

(b) An experimental use permit may be issued if the secretary or designee determines that the applicant needs the permit to accumulate information necessary to register a pesticide under K.S.A. 2-2204, and amendments thereto. Issuance of an experimental use permit may be denied by the secretary or designee if it is determined that the proposed use of the pesticide could cause unreasonable adverse effects on the environment. Terms, conditions, and a limited time period of the experimental use permit may be prescribed by the secretary or designee.

(c) Each application for experimental use shall include the following:

(1) The name and address of the applicant;

(2) the purpose or objectives of the experimental use and the experimental protocols to be followed;

(3) the name, address, and telephone number of all participants in the experimental use in Kansas;

(4) the amount of the product, including a plant or seed modified genetically to include a plant-incorporated protectant, to be shipped into or used in Kansas;

(5) the applicant’s signature;

(6) documentation of EPA approval;

(7) a copy of the experimental use product labeling approved by EPA; and

(8) any other relevant information requested by the secretary or designee. If the secretary requires additional information in support of the application and the applicant believes that the requirement for additional data is unreasonable, the applicant may request a conference with the secretary or designee to discuss the requirement and consider alternatives. Each request for a conference shall be made no later than 20 days after the date the request for additional data is sent to the applicant.

(d) After the permit is issued, the permittee shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Coordinate the dates and locations of the proposed use of the product with the secretary or designee; and

(2) notify the secretary or designee of any adverse effects resulting from the experimental use within 24 hours of discovery.

(e) An experimental use permit may be modified, revoked, suspended, or modified by the secretary or designee at any time if either of the following conditions is met:

(1) The secretary or designee finds that the terms or conditions of the permit are being violated.

(2) The secretary or designee, after taking into account the economic, social, and environmental costs and benefits of
the use of the product under the existing permit, determines the risk to the environment to be unacceptable.

(f) At the conclusion of the experimental use, the permittee shall submit a final report to the secretary or designee summarizing the results. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 2-2205; implementing K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 2-2207; effective Jan. 1, 1966; amended May 1, 1982; amended June 10, 2011.)