

# Conditions of licence - Technician<sup>1</sup>

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The Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008 (PHW Act) and the regulations made under it contain the licensing requirements for pest control operators. In addition to the PHW Act and associated regulations, pesticide storage, use and transport is also regulated under other Victorian legislation relating to hazardous substances, dangerous goods and agricultural and veterinary chemicals.

**The following conditions apply to ALL Victorian pest control licence holders:**

**General Conditions** *Section 103 (1) (a), (b) and (c) of the PHW Act.*

- 1) The licence holder must comply with the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008* and the *Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2019*.
- 2) The licence holder must only use the pesticides or classes of pesticides specified on the licence.
- 3) The licence holder must comply with the *Agriculture and Veterinary Chemicals (Control of Use) Act 1992* and the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004*.

**Special Conditions** *Section 103 (2) (c) of the PHW Act.*

- 4) The licence holder must only apply chemicals according to the directions for use and comply with any other relevant safety information stated on the label.
- 5) The licence holder must ensure that they have copies of current Safety Data Sheets (SDSs) for the chemicals they use. SDSs can be obtained from chemical suppliers or manufacturers.
- 6) The licence holder must ensure that all chemicals are stored safely, securely and legally, in accordance with the *Dangerous Goods Act 1985* and the *Occupational Health and Safety Regulations 2017*.
- 7) The licence holder is responsible for the maintenance of pest control vehicles and equipment to ensure that they comply with the *Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail* (also known as the *Australian Dangerous Goods Code*) and the *Occupational Health and Safety Regulations 2017*.
- 8) The licence holder must contain or clean up any leaks or spills of chemicals, whether caused by themselves or a trainee under their supervision. Spills that may endanger environmental or human

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<sup>1</sup> Technician refers to a person who has been issued a pest control licence under Section 101 (2) of the *Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008*.

health should be reported immediately to both the Environment Protection Authority Pollution Hotline on 1300 372 842 and the Department of Health Pesticide Safety Program on 1300 767 469.

- 9) The licence holder must report any injury to persons resulting from a chemical spill to the WorkSafe Victoria on 1800 136 089 and the Department of Health Pesticide Safety Program on 1300 767 469.
- 10) The licence holder will notify the Department of Health Pesticide Safety Program on 1300 767 469 of any changes to their personal address and phone number or business details, including name of employer, employer contact details and trainees under their supervision, within ten working days.

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