

FACILITIES

Operation and Maintenance of Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment

Pest Control

This regulation supersedes Regulation 8550.2.

I. PURPOSE

To establish procedures for pest control services.

II. SUMMARY OF CHANGES SINCE LAST PUBLICATION

This regulation has been reviewed, and there are no changes at this time.

III. PROCEDURES

A. Responsibilities

All pest control services shall be based on the integrated pest management practices set forth in EPA publication 735-F-93-012 and the Virginia School Plan published by Virginia Tech in 2002.

All pest control services shall be supplied by licensed certified plant operations services personnel. Plant operations services should be called for emergency situations requiring immediate attention.

Plant operations services personnel shall coordinate, with the principal, pest control operations that require controlled pesticide application. Each principal shall compile a list of parents who want to be notified when pesticides will be applied in the school building.

B. Fogging

If a building is to be fogged, the principal shall be notified two weeks prior to the treatment. The following action shall be taken by the school:

1. Place live experimental species in one room to protect them and mark room, identifying it as containing live species. (Plant life is not affected by fogging.)
2. Cover, or place in drawers, all open food products.
3. After fogging, and prior to use, wash all cooking and serving containers left out in the open.
4. Ventilate fogged areas to help dissipate residual odor prior to the arrival of students and staff members.