

Subject: Pest Management	Date: 9/2021
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Policy:

Pest Control Program adheres to all regulatory requirements, and is committed to integrated pest management, utilizing various tools and techniques to solve pest problems.

Only New York State Certified Applicators are permitted to apply pesticides at any University properties and grounds.

Definitions:

Certified Applicator: Any individual who is certified by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation to use or supervise the use of pesticides in the appropriate certification category.

Commercial Applicator: A certified applicator who uses or supervises the use of pesticides for any purpose on any commercial property.

Integrated Pest Management (IPM): The coordinated use of pest and environmental information with available pest control methods to prevent pest populations by the most economical means with the least possible hazard to people, property and the environment.

Procedures:

A. Department Responsibilities

1. Keep areas free of excess debris.
2. Ensure waste receptacles are frequently emptied.
3. Report all pest problems, with minimal delay, to the Department of Environmental Health and Safety. (<https://ehs.stonybrook.edu/services/pest-management.php>)

4. Provide the Department of Environmental Health and Safety with a complete scope of work for approval prior to an outside pesticide contractor being hired, and provide a copy of the completed job report. (See Outside Contractors section for additional details.)
5. Serve as liaison between any approved outside pesticide contractor and the Department of Environmental Health and Safety.
6. Prohibit purchasing or applying any pesticides without EH&S approval.
7. Prohibit anyone to tamper with any pest control efforts.

B. Department of Environmental Health and Safety Responsibilities

1. Provide pest management for the University.
 - a. Some pesticides may be necessary and will only be used after a pest control technician has performed a thorough inspection to identify the target pest and determine the cause for the existence or infestation (e.g. poor sanitation, open penetrations, water leaks, etc.).
 - b. Glue boards are used to identify and monitor the type of pests present, as well as the size of the infestation and direction of travel.
 - c. Chemical sprays are normally only used when other types (e.g. containerized bait stations, boric acid and gels) have proven to be ineffective.
 - d. When necessary, a limited amount of chemical spray is directed into cracks, crevices and other concealed places where pests are hiding.
 - e. Routine or scheduled spraying of chemicals in the absence of pests is irresponsible, ineffective and expensive, and therefore, is not performed.
 - f. The use of pesticides and herbicides that have significant collateral impact on non-target species or communities are avoided whenever possible.
2. Have certified Commercial Applicators on staff.
3. Approve the hiring of outside pesticide contractors for individual departments.
4. Maintain the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Pesticide Business Registration for the University.
5. Compile and submit all regulatory reports.

C. Physical Plant Responsibilities

1. Ensure that all waste receptacles are emptied frequently enough to prevent pest infestation and are cleaned as necessary. At a minimum, this will require daily pick-ups.
2. Seal penetrations in doors, ceilings, walls, windows and screens as necessary to keep pests from entering.
3. Contain and repair all water leaks to avoid mold and pests.
4. Repair or replace broken screens.
5. Under no circumstances shall untrained, uncertified employees apply any pesticides, including, but not limited to over the counter products such as "Raid".

D. Individual Responsibilities

1. Store all food in sealed containers.
2. Keep all areas free of food scraps, waste paper, boxes, and other debris.
3. Empty all garbage containers frequently. Clean as appropriate.
4. Keep all screens, windows and doors closed.
5. Report all water leaks and penetrations in doors, ceilings, walls, windows and screens to the Physical Plant for repair.
6. Follow procedures outlined by Pesticide Applicators.
7. Do not tamper with any pest control equipment, such as glue boards, containerized bait stations, or traps.
8. Under no circumstances shall untrained, uncertified employees, staff or students apply any pesticides, including, but not limited to over the counter products such as "Raid". Any such products will be confiscated upon discovery.

E. Purchasing Responsibilities

1. All purchase requests for outside pesticide contractors or pesticides are forwarded to the Department of Environmental Health and Safety for approval prior to purchase.

F. Outside Contractors

1. Prior to starting work, the outside contractor provides the hiring department with a copy of their New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Pesticide Business Registration and Commercial Applicator's identification cards, a detailed scope of work including products to be used, labels for the products, target organism, location, and proposed dates of application and method of application.
2. Upon completion of applications, supply the hiring department with the quantity of products used, dates of application, dosage rates and any changes to information previously submitted.

INQUIRIES/REQUESTS:

To Report a Pest issue

- Academic and Residential facilities
<https://ehs.stonybrook.edu/services/pest-management.php>
- Hospital Facilities: Call Housekeeping at (631) 444-1460
- Long Island State Veterans Home: Call Environmental Services at (631) 444-8790

For questions or assistance please contact:

Environmental Health and Safety

110 Suffolk Hall

Zip 6200

Main Office: 632-6410

FAX: 632-9683

ehsafety@stonybrook.edu

Forms:

None

Policy Cross Reference:

EC0047 Integrated Pest Management.

Relevant Standards/Codes/Rules/Regulations/Statutes:

Department of Environmental Conservation:

6 NYCRR Part 320 Pesticides - *General*

6 NYCRR Part 325 Application of *Pesticides*

6 NYCRR Part 326 Restricted *Pesticides*