

**Regulation**  
**On**  
**Import, Distribution and Use of Pesticides**

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**Chapter one**  
**General provisions**

**Article 1**

#### **Article 4**

The importing organization can apply to register or amend its available permit. The seller organization with permission form im



Pesticide tests are carried out by lab professional staffers of plant protection department or under the direction of the department in provincial offices, research institutes and universities.

#### **Article 16**

Test and examinations are done based on international standard methods and in the places where the pesticide may not affect surface water resources.

#### **Article 17**

If the pesticide test in an agricultural area proves that the level of poisonous material in the pesticide is less than international standards, the products of the area may be used as human and animal food.

#### **Article 18**

If the effects of the pesticide in agricultural products exceed to international standard level, or if due to some reasons such effects are immeasurable, the loss in the products will be compensated from specific budget set us to this end.

#### **Article 19**

According to Annex 3, the figures and information obtained from tests will be evaluated by registration board

#### **Article 20**

Before the registration documents (according to Article 3 of this regulation) are issued, the results from pesticide test will be given to the representative of the applicant, heads and deputy heads of the organizations involved in registration process, head of registration board and director of Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept. only.

#### **Article 21**

The figures presented by application for the purpose of registration will be kept confidential and will not be revealed unless a written agreement is obtained from the applicant.

### **Chapter 3**

#### **Restrictions and limitations**

## **Article 22**

MAIL will return a registration application under one of the following:

- 1- Negative and bad effects on human, plant and environment despite of proper use;
- 2- Deficiency in given figures for comprehensive evaluation of pesticide and;
- 3- A lack of satisfactory in biological effects and quality of pesticide

## **Article 23**

MAIL may return or restrict temporary business registration under one of the following:

- 1- If the users are prone risk due to grown plants and environment;
- 2- If the products lack good quality and;
- 3- If are not usable and deliverable in the long tern.

## **Article 24**

The stored pesticides whose registration has been returned may be used only based on an exclusive direction from Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept.

## **Article 25**

In order to prevent and maintain plants from unexpected diseases MAIL's Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept. in emergencies will issue a maximum one-year permit for preparation and use of pesticides and will inform MoPH of the permit issue.

## **Article 26**

In emergencies, authorized organizations and individual traders based on direction of MAIL's Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept. Without required registration procedures will provide the necessary pesticides.

## **Chapter 4**

### **Import and distribution**

## **Article 27**

The kind and quantity of pesticide needed for protection of plants in Afghanistan will be determined and identified by Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept.

#### **Article 28**

Import of pesticides is only allowed to those organizations and individuals certified by Emirate and are limited to the list approved by MAIL's Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept. All regulations and restrictions set by MoPH to ensure the health of pesticide workers and users will be observed. The due information on pesticides import through the organizations and individual traders will be determined by MAIL and MoPH.

#### **Article 29**



#### **Article 42**

If pesticides are packed in small packages with labels specifying product name, serial No, classification, side effects and flammability, separate usage instructions should be included in the package.

#### **Article 43**

Repackage of pesticides in small packs will be done through authorized organizations and with the agreement from MAIL and MoPH.

#### **Article 44**

Particular methods for disposal of empty pesticide packages will be jointly developed by MAIL and MoPH and will be published in mass media.

### **Chapter five**

#### **Quality requirements**

#### **Article 45**

All pesticides distributed in market should comply with quality specifications recorded in registration documents.

#### **Article 46**

The quality of pesticides will be monitored by lab equipments of Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept. as follows:

- 1- Lab staffers of Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept. will collect pesticide samples from all stores, shops, retail dealers or area of usage;
- 2- If a pesticide package is opened for the purpose of sampling, it can be sold only after its safe repackage and recovering of the quantity taken as sample; Sample takers are obliged to seal the opened package and sign on it.

#### **Article 47**

MAIL's Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept. is authorized to stop or limit the distribution of low quality pesticides.



#### **Article 48**

Pesticides that due to some reasons are stored for longer period of time and their quality change to worsen will be eliminated according to directions from MAIL, Chemical Fertilization Dept and Afghan Agricultural Services.

### **Chapter 6**

#### **Usage**

#### **Article 49**

Pesticides are only allowed to be used and applied based on directions and guidance of Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept.

#### **Article 50**

Upon using moderate or extreme poisonous pesticides, the responsible person should record date of apply, concentration and location of treated plants.

#### **Article 51**

Upon selling a pesticide, written instruction about its usage should be provided. Officials from Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept. should provide farmers with direct or indirect information on the use of pesticides through the mass media.

#### **Article 52**

## **Chapter 7**

### **Control of effects**

#### **Article 54**

Providing that on plant products for edible purposes a pesticide has been applied, should only be distributed in market when the appropriate period before the harvest has been completed.

#### **Article 55**

Plant products in which pesticides effects exceeds over the authorized range or have been collected before completion of pre harvest break, are disallowed to be distributed in market.

#### **Article 56**

MAIL, lab and toxicology dept. hereby ban sale of plant products in which pesticides effects exceed the normal range.

#### **Article 57**

Analysis of pesticide effects on plant products is done by labs section of MAIL's Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept. and MoHP's toxicology section.

#### **Article 58**

Sampling from agricultural products for analysis of pesticides effects in them is done by officials from MAIL's Plant Protection and Quarantine Dept and MoPH officials.

#### **Article 59**

MAIL And MoPH will issue official certificates to their officers responsible for sampling.

## **Chapter 8**

### **Final provisions**

**Article 60**

MoPH will monitor all pesticide related affairs in order to ensure the health of workers, users and environment.

**Article 61**

This regulation will come into effect from th