

Article 3: Import of Plant Pesticides not registered in the Lao PDR

1. Any ministries, organisations, companies, state businesses or individuals, wishing to import or manufacture pesticides for educational research purposes or to act as models or for other purpose, must apply to the Department of Agriculture and Agricultural Extension for permission.
2. Upon receipt of such an application as that referred to in Article III, paragraph 1, the Department must check that such pesticides comply with those conditions specified in Article I, paragraph 1, before the issue of an Import Permit to the applicant.
3. The Import Permit will permit a single importation of one or more pesticides in regulated amounts once only. The conditions and place of importation will be stated in the Import Permit.

Article 4: Control of Warehousing and Distribution

In order to prohibit companies, state businesses, shops and individuals which lack the legal basis and knowledge of the use of pesticides in Lao language the following will apply:

1. Name of the agricultural produce.
2. Recommendations and suggestions concerning the usage: preventative and insecticide, rodent killer, fungicide, herbicide.
3. A description of the ingredients of the pesticide (percentage of poison) with common names used by international organisations. In addition, the product must guarantee the degree of chemical effectiveness in each pesticide:
 - a. g/kg for tablets, creams, powders and aerosols
 - b. g/l for liquids.
4. Registration of Poisons.
5. The weight or content of the product in the container.
6. Name and address of the person or company who will have the responsibility of the import or packaging, or re-packing in the case of domestic products.
7. Indications on the Use
 - warnings to prevent incorrect and inappropriate use
 - schedule of use, time and method.
8. First Aid
9. The storage place must be secure, and have a special store room which is isolated from places where people and animals live.

10. Shops for distribution must not be close to other shops and pharmacies.

Article 5: Obtaining samples for testing and research

According to these regulations, officers of the Department of Agriculture and Agricultural Extension have the authority to take the necessary samples of pesticides or containers from distribution centres or storerooms for analysis.

Article 6: Investigations, Warnings and Confiscations

1. The officers responsible for the control and investigation of pesticides have the authority to examine all warehouses and store rooms for pesticides at any time.
2. The officers responsible for the control and investigation of pesticides have the authority to issue a warning or to remove all the containers in question, if the owners of the pesticides are in contravention of these regulations.
3. The officers have the authority to mark, seal or wrap the pesticides in order to facilitate their seizure, discontinuation, holding or removal.

Article 7: Violations and Falsifications of Pesticides

Any person who imports and distributes pesticides, which contain incorrect chemical quantities, or incorrect percentages of the chemicals as stated, will be deemed to be in contravention of these regulations.

Article 8: Ordering the Discontinuation of Distribution and Destruction

In the event of the officers having seized a pesticide, and the samples are proved to be of out of date, of poor quality or false in one pesticide, the distribution will be suspended and their destruction in a prescribed place will be considered.

Article 9: Education, Fining and Punishment

Any person who violates these regulations will be educated, warned, fined or punished depending upon the severity of the violation.

Article 10: These regulations become effective from the date of signing

Vientiane, dated 21/11/1992

Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
Sien Saphanthong

5.	Preventive measures for the protection of agriculture and forestry resources	capacity	cost of chemicals used	labour fee	maintenance	equipment	Total
	- steam sterilisation	1 m ³ 10 m ³ 100 m ³	Paid for by the owners of the products	500 5,000 50,000	125 1,250 12,500	20 200 2,000	645 6,450 64,500

Vientiane, dated 26/07/93
Head of the Department of Agriculture and Agricultural Extension