



General Permit for Herbicide Treatments for Vegetation Management in Municipally owned Rights of Way

Applicants: Towns of Bennington

Permit Number: ROW #2016-9

1. This permit authorizes the use of herbicides for brush and stump treatment along the Municipal Highway Systems to maintain sight distances, guardrail weed control and poison ivy control along the highway system and in town-owned rest areas when required for maintenance activities or when addressing public health or safety issues. This permit is issued for the calendar year 2016. This permit in no way authorizes the applicant to use pesticides on real estate where it has no lawful right to do so.
2. All pesticide applications shall include a spray additive to control drift. The following pesticides may be applied at the rates specified:
 1. Ranger Pro, E.P.A. registration number 524-517, at an application rate not to exceed one and one half (1.5) gallons per acre for brush control, poison ivy, and guardrail treatments, and in accordance with label recommendations.
 2. Garlon 4, E.P.A. registration number 62719-40 at an application rate not to exceed one and one quarter (1-1/4) gallons per acre for brush control and in accordance with label directions.
 3. Pathfinder II EPA registration number 62719-176 at an application rate not to exceed one and one quarter (1-1/4) gallons per acre for guardrail treatments, and in accordance with label directions.
3. At least one certified applicator shall be a member of each crew applying the pesticide.
4. The applicant shall contact the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets at (802) 828-6531 twenty-four (24) hours prior to commencement of spraying, at which time the certified applicator(s) applying the pesticide(s) and the district where the pesticide(s) is (are) being applied shall be identified.
5. This permit shall not be initiated prior to June 1.
6. Copies and dates of all public notification shall be submitted to this office prior to spraying.
7. If applicable copies of newspaper tear sheets or invoices and radio station invoices for public notification shall be provided to the Agency as proof the notification occurred.
8. Herbicides shall not enter the waters of the State. Glyphosate applied parallel to water courses shall have a visible limit of 10 feet from the edge of the water and a visible limit of 30 feet from the water's edge at water crossings. Backpack sprayer glyphosate applications may be made to within two (2) feet of water, around bridge abutments, for the public health reasons when maintenance is expected.
9. Public and private water supplies are to be avoided. Herbicides shall not be applied within 200 feet of public water supplies or within 100 feet of private water supplies. For drinking water sources supplied by surface water the no-spray buffer shall extend from the shoreline of lakes or ponds. At the point where the right of way intersects other surface waters within the source protection area the buffer shall be 100 feet.
10. Spray reports shall be submitted by the pesticide applicator to the Agency on a weekly basis.

11. A copy of this permit, the permit application and a set of maps noting both public and private water supplies shall be provided to the applicator for use during pesticide application.
12. All label recommendations and requirements for protective clothing shall be adhered to.
13. All herbicide operations shall be conducted in accordance with the representations made by the applicant in its permit application and in these permit conditions unless, and until, the permit is amended.
14. The Secretary reserves the right to further limit or restrict the application of herbicides approved under this permit as conditions or circumstances require.
15. Applicators are responsible for coordinating one use inspection with an agency inspector.
16. In the event the Permit Applicant sub-contracts or assigns any of the herbicide applications authorized by this permit the applicant shall continue to remain responsible for assuring compliance with the conditions of this permit. This condition does not relieve any sub-contractor or assignee from compliance with applicable licensing requirements

DATED: June 1, 2016



Charles R Ross , Secretary
Vermont Agency of Agriculture,
Food & Markets

