

## Vermont Agency of Agriculture

### Aerial Pesticide Applications - Aerial Permits

In Vermont, a pesticide application from an aircraft not only requires one to be a certified pesticide applicator in category 11: Aerial Pest Control and the appropriate category for the site of application, but it also requires one to obtain a pesticide permit.

Private applicators must obtain certification, regardless of the class of pesticide used, for certain use patterns, including aerial application and they must get an aerial pesticide permit, even if application is made to private property.

Aerial permits are issued for the application of pesticides from a motorized vehicle used for flight, including fixed-wing aircraft, rotary aircraft, and unmanned aerial vehicles. All aerial applications must be made in conjunction with FAA rules and obtain appropriate permits from the Agency of Transportation (Aviation) or other entity. Applicants must complete and submit an Aerial permit application to the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets pesticide division prior to the pesticide use.

The Vermont Rule for Control of Pesticides states:

#### 6.02 Aerial Permit

- a) No person shall make an aerial application without first obtaining an approved permit from the Secretary as provided in this section.
- b) A complete and accurate permit application shall be made, on a form provided by the Secretary, before the proposed application.
- c) An applicant for an aerial permit shall demonstrate compliance with the requirements of the Federal Aviation Administration and the Vermont Agency of Transportation in the permit application.
- d) An aerial application shall be conducted by a certified applicator in the appropriate categories and/or sub-categories.