

## § 274.1

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### PROJECT OPERATION

#### § 274.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this regulation is to assign responsibilities and prescribe procedures concerning the use of chemicals in the Corps pest control program at all civil works projects. It also presents guidance for the preparation and submission of an annual pest control summary report.

#### § 274.2 Applicability.

This regulation is applicable to all OCE elements and all field operating agencies having Civil Works responsibilities.

#### § 274.3 References.

(a) Pub. L. 92-516, Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act of 1972 (86 Stat. 973), 21 October 1972.

(b) Pub. L. 91-596, Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (84 Stat. 1609, 29 U.S.C. 668) 29 December 1970.

(c) Medical Surveillance Guide, U.S. Army Environmental Hygiene Agency, January 1975.

(d) Guide for the Medical Surveillance of Pest Controllers, U.S. Army Environmental Hygiene Agency, March 1976, as amended.

(e) Pesticide Applicator Training Manual, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, September 1974.

(f) Plan for Certification of Pesticide Applicators, DOD, June 1976.

#### § 274.4 Pesticide management.

(a) *Administration.* The Division Engineer is responsible for implementation of the program, and providing for the training of pest control personnel, safe use of highly toxic materials and the proper application of restricted-use pesticides. District programs will be reviewed by the Division Engineer for the selection of suitable pest control agents, up-to-date and economical methods of control, and the proper use and maintenance of pest control equipment. Field Operating Agencies (FOA) will designate a single point of contact for pesticide matters.

(b) *Personnel actions.* Pesticide duties will be identified in applicable job de-

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scriptions whether they constitute a major duty or not. Such job descriptions will also note the employees responsibility for using personal protective equipment and clothing provided and for following established health and safety practices and procedures. Standard Form 78 medical examination will be augmented by the specific diagnostic tests for the occupations identified in § 274.4(c). Prescribed preplacement medical examinations will be provided as part of the personnel action process before anyone is permitted to perform pesticide duties.

(c) *Medical surveillance.* Preplacement, periodic and pretermination medical examinations of the type and extent set forth in Section III, U.S. Army Environmental Hygiene Agency (USAEHA) "Guide for the Medical Surveillance of Pest Controllers" will be provided for personnel involved in pesticide operations. Additional information is contained in USAEHA "Medical Surveillance Guide (Guide for Job-Related Examinations)." Appropriate medical records will be maintained in official personal folders.

(d) *Personnel training.* All personnel directly involved in pest control must be properly trained in the safe application of herbicides, insecticides, rodenticides, fumigants and fungicides. The current plan for training and certification of pest control personnel requires that all pest control applicators and/or supervisors satisfactorily complete (1) the correspondence course, "Basic Pest Control Technology" NTTC 150, available from NAVFAC Technical Training Command, Norfolk, Virginia 23511 and a three day (20 hr) conference training course conducted by the Army Health Services Command (AHSC) at Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234, for Civil Works personnel, or a three day (20 hr) special training course conducted by the Division Engineer, to include information presented in the "Pesticide Applicator Training Manual", § 274.3(e) or (2) a B.S. degree in agronomy, entomology, forestry or horticulture from an accredited college or university.

(e) *Restricted-use pesticide training.* For agency certification § 274.3(f) Civil Works supervisors and applicators