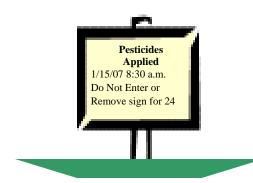
# What must be on the informational sign? cont...

- (ii) must be in a place before the pesticide is applied and must instruct persons not to enter the property and not to remove the signs for a period of 24 hours.
- (iii) such instructions must be printed in letters at least three-eights of an inch in height.

We recommend that you notify your neighbors prior to the application of pesticides so that they may precautions to avoid exposure."



#### **Enforcement and Penalties**

The Neighbor Notification Law will be enforced by the Ulster County Health Department and the New York State Department of Conservation.

The penalties set forth for retailers in the Neighbor Notification Law are up to a maximum of:

- a written warning and educational materials for the first violation:
- a \$100 fine for the second violation;
- a \$250 fine for the third and subsequent violations.

These penalties may be levied only after a hearing or opportunity to be heard.

For more information, call the
Ulster County
Health Department
(845) 340-3021

or

see our website at

www.co.ulster.ny.us/health

This brochure is intended to provide highlights of the Neighbor Notification Law. Obtain a full copy of the law to ensure you are in full compliance. Copies can be obtained from the Ulster County Health Department or visit or website at www.co.ulster.nv.us/health.





# The Neighbor Notification Law For Retailers





What you need to know before selling pesticide products in Ulster County

ULSTER COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT
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#### The Neighbor Notification Law\*

Retailers that sell general use pesticides must post an informational sign as close as possible to each display location of such pesticides.

Pesticides, although useful tools to control pests, may pose certain risks to the applicator and other non-target often beneficial organisms. To help reduce such risks and to increase pest control effectiveness, state and federal laws require all applicators to strictly follow all pesticide label instructions and to only use these products on the sites and pests listed on the label

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(i) must be posted at least 12 inches above the ground and be at least four inches by five inches in size, and

outside the treated perimeter; and

(ii) must be in place before the pesticide is applied and must instruct persons not to enterthe property and not to remove the signs for a period of  $24\,\mathrm{hours}$ .

(iii) such instructions must be printed in letters at least three-eighths of an inch in height.

We recommend that you notify your neighbors prior to the application so that they may take precautions to avoid pesticide exposure.

\* The Neighbor Notification Law of 2000, formally known as chapter 285 of the Laws of 2000, added new provisions to title 10 of Article 33 of Environmental Conservation Law (ECL), regarding posting of visual notification markers for residential lawn applications, posting of signs at certain retail establishments, and mandating neighbor notification of certain commercial lawn applications. The Neighbor Notification Law became effective on January 1, 2007.

## What does the law require for retailers under the Neighbor Notification Law?

Any retail establishment that sells general use pesticides labeled for commercial or residential lawn application uses must post in a conspicuous place as close as possible to each display location of such pesticides the informational sign required by the Neighbor Notification Law.

Information on the sign must be printed in letters at least 16 point bold type against a brightly colored background.

### How can I get a copy of the required informational sign?

Copies of the sign are available at the following locations:

- Local Town, Village or City Hall
- Libraries
- Ulster County Website <u>www.co.ulster.ny.us</u>
- Ulster County Health Department 300 Flatbush Avenue Kingston, NY 12401 (845) 340-3021
- Cornell Cooperative Extension
   10 Westbrook Lane
   Kingston, NY 12401

Additional signs may be photocopied on brightly colored paper or you may make your own sign using only the language to the right on brightly colored paper.

## What must be on the informational sign?

The following wording MUST appear on the informational sign:

"Pesticides, although useful tools to control pests, may pose certain risks to the applicator and other non-target often beneficial organisms. The help reduce such risks and to increase pest control effectiveness, state and federal laws require all applicators to strictly follow all pesticide label instructions and to only use these products on the sites and pests listed on the label.

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