



Pesticide Use Notification Plan

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1. Introduction

The purpose of this Pesticide Use Notification Plan is to ensure the Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust (Trust) notify the community when pesticides are to be used on its lands in accordance with the requirements of the *Pesticides Regulation 1995* (the Regulation) effective from 1 February 2007.

Visitors to Centennial Parklands have the right to be made aware of any pesticide use on site to ensure they have a choice in taking action to avoid contact with pesticides. The Trust ensures that pesticides are applied to its lands in a safe, responsible manner that minimises harm to the environment and the community.

The Plan sets out how the Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust will notify members of the community of pesticide applications it makes or allows to be made to its lands. Details within the Plan include:

- Areas within Centennial Parklands covered by the Plan
- Who uses these areas and estimated levels of use
- How and when the Trust will provide the community with information about its pesticide applications in public places
- How the community can access this Plan and obtain further information about the Trust's notification arrangements
- When and how future reviews of the Plan will be conducted
- Contact details for persons wishing to discuss this Plan further.

2. Pesticide use within Centennial Parklands

The Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust undertakes a minimalist approach toward the application of pesticides on its lands. Pests and diseases are treated using an Integrated Pest Management approach to ensure pesticides are used only when necessary in an effort to conserve the environment and minimise the potential exposure of chemicals to the public.

Staff are qualified in the application of chemicals and follow stringent Occupational Health and Safety and site procedures to ensure the maximum effect on the target pest is achieved with minimal impact on the environment.

3. Areas within Centennial Parklands covered by the Plan

Centennial Parklands proposes to use or allow the use of pesticides in the following outdoor public places:

- Garden displays
 - Sports fields
 - Playgrounds
 - Pathways / Roadways
 - Common areas
 - Moore Park Golf Course
 - Centennial Parklands Equestrian Centre
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Although not required by the Regulation, this Pesticide Use Notification Plan will also provide information on how notice will be provided to the community when pesticide is used in the interiors of the following buildings owned by the Trust:

- Amenity buildings (including all toilet blocks and change facilities)
- Centennial Park Restaurant and Café building complex
- Moore Park Golf House and Pro Shop
- ES Mark Athletics Field and associated facilities
- All buildings within the Centennial Parklands Equestrian Centre
- All publicly accessible buildings within the Hordern Pavilion and Royal Hall of Industries, and the Entertainment Quarter

The following table represents the type of pesticide used within each of the areas covered by the Plan:

PLACE	REGULAR USER GROUPS	LEVEL OF USE	TYPE OF PESTICIDE USE
Garden Displays	General passive recreation users	High	Spot herbicides Selective herbicides Spot insecticides Fungicides
Sports fields	General active recreation users Organised sporting clubs and associations School sports groups Intermittent organised event related users	Very high in particular on weekends	Spot herbicides Spot insecticides Broad scale selective herbicide Broad scale insecticides
Playgrounds	Children and Parents	High	Spot herbicides Spot insecticides Spray ant control
Pathways / Roadways	Walkers, runners, bicyclists, drivers. People accessing other Parklands facilities	Very high	Spot herbicides
Common Areas	General passive recreational users General active recreational users Hire groups including film groups, weddings, organised picnics Dog walkers	High	Spot herbicides Spot insecticides Broad scale selective herbicides Broad scale insecticides
Moore Park Golf Course	Golfers General passive recreational users	High	Spot herbicides Spot insecticides Broad scale selective herbicides Broad scale insecticides Fungicides Nomaticides

PLACE	REGULAR USER GROUPS	LEVEL OF USE	TYPE OF PESTICIDE USE
Centennial Parklands Equestrian Centre / including buildings	Horse riders, Horse trainers	High	Spot herbicides Spot insecticides Broad scale selective herbicides Bait rodenticides Spray ant control Termiticides
Amenity Buildings	General Passive and active recreational users Sporting groups and associations	High	Spot herbicides (surrounds) Spot insecticides Bait rodenticides Spray termiticides Bait ant control
Centennial Parklands Restaurant and Cafe	Restaurant diners and café visitors	High	Spot herbicides (surrounds) Spot insecticides Bait rodenticides Spray ant control Bait ant control Bait termiticides Spray termiticides
Moore Park Golf House, Pro Shop	Golfers, and Visitors	High	Spot herbicides (surrounds) Spot Insecticides Bait rodenticides Spray ant control Bait ant control Bait termiticides Spray termiticides
ES Marks athletics field and associated facilities	School user groups Sporting clubs and associations	High	Spot herbicides (surrounds) Spot insecticides Bait Rodenticides Spray ant control Bait ant control Bait termiticides Spray termiticides
Hordern Pavilion and Royal Hall of Industries	Event Hirers Event Patrons	High	Spot herbicides (surrounds) Spot insecticides Bait rodenticides Spray ant control Bait ant control Bait termiticides Spray termiticides
Entertainment Quarter	Event hirers Event patrons General patrons	High	Spot herbicides (surrounds) Spot insecticides Bait rodenticides Spray ant control Bait ant control Bait termiticide Spray termiticide

PLACE	REGULAR USER GROUPS	LEVEL OF USE	TYPE OF PESTICIDE USE
Centennial Parklands Sports Centre	School user groups Sporting Clubs and associations	High	Spot herbicides (surrounds) Spot insecticides Bait rodenticides Spray ant control Bait ant control Bait termiticides Spray termiticides

4. Notification Arrangements

This section of the Plan describes how and when the Trust will provide notice of pesticide use in public places, including special measures for sensitive places.

These notification arrangements have been assessed taking the following into consideration:

- The level of usage within listed areas where pesticides may be used;
- The extent to which members of the public who are most likely to be sensitive to pesticides are visiting these areas. The people most likely to be affected by pesticides include pregnant women, children and the elderly;
- The extent to which activities generally undertaken in these areas could lead to some direct contact with pesticides; and
- The type of pesticide used.

Notice of pesticide use will be provided by a combination of:

- Prominently displayed temporary signs installed at the location to be treated with pesticides
- Information on the Centennial Parklands website

Instances where the Trust will not provide notification of pesticide use

The Trust will not give notification for the use of herbicides applied through knapsack spot spraying, stem injection, and cut and paste techniques.

The application of these pesticides through the methods listed above, form part of regular and routine maintenance activity within the places covered within this Plan.

The pesticides used in these instances are classified as unscheduled poisons in the *Uniform Poisons Standard* legislated in NSW under the *Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 1966*.

Pesticides with an unclassified poison schedule pose very low health or safety risk to persons when applied as per the manufacturer's instructions.

Pesticide notification arrangements for outdoor areas

The notification arrangement described below will apply to the following place categories:

- Garden Displays
- Sports Fields
- Playgrounds
- Pathways / Roadways
- Common Areas
- ES Marks Athletics Facility
- Moore Park Golf Course

In the areas listed above, prominently displayed temporary signs will be placed at the location prior to the pesticide application commencing and the signs will remain at this site for the remainder of the business day following application for the pesticide classifications below:

- Broad scale selective herbicide
- Broad scale non-selective herbicide
- Broad scale insecticide
- Fungicides
- Spray termiticides and ant control

For areas classified as sensitive places, the occupants will **also** give notice by phone 48 hours prior to any pesticide use.

Information regarding the notification for use of domestic pesticides and small quantity applications will be placed on the Centennial Parklands website and will be updated every three months.

This form of notification is for the application of:

- Spot spray herbicides
- Spot spray insecticides
- Bait ant control.

Pesticide notification arrangements for buildings and outdoor areas of surrounding buildings

The notification arrangement below will apply to the following place categories:

- Centennial Parklands Equestrian Centre
 - Amenity facilities (Toilet Blocks and Change Rooms)
 - Centennial Parklands Restaurant and Café
 - Moore Park Golf Club and Pro-Shop
 - ES Marks Athletics facilities
 - Hordern Pavillion and Royal Hall of Industries
 - Entertainment Quarter
 - Centennial Parklands Sports Centre
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In the areas listed above, prominently displayed temporary signs will be placed at the main public entrance prior to the pesticide application commencing and the signs will remain on site for the remainder of the business day or until the product is dry for the pesticide classifications below:

- Spot use of insecticides
- Bait rodenticides
- Spray termiticides
- Spray ant control

Information regarding the notification for use of domestic pesticides and small quantity applications will be placed on the Centennial Parklands website and will be updated every three months.

This form of notification is for the application of:

- Bait termiticides
- Bait ant control.

Most buildings within the Trust's lands have adjoining outdoor areas including but not limited to – backyards, courtyards, outdoor foyers, and utility areas. Notification for the use of pesticides within these areas will be provided on prominently displayed temporary signs located at the entrance to the area undergoing treatment prior to application and the signage will remain for the remainder of the business day following treatment.

This notification applies to the use of:

- Broad scale selective herbicide
- Broad scale non-selective herbicide
- Broad scale insecticide
- Fungicides (in gardens)
- Spray termiticides and ant control
- Bait termiticides
- Bait rodenticides

Information regarding the notification for use of domestic pesticides and small quantity applications in and around the Trust's building will be placed on the Centennial Parklands website and will be updated every three months.

This form of notification is for the application of:

- Spot spray herbicides
- Spot spray insecticides
- Bait ant control.

Special measures for sensitive places:

Clause 11j(1) of the *Pesticides Regulation 1995* outlines that Centennial Parklands Children's Centre, Sydney Girls High School, Sydney Boys High School, and Moriah College are deemed sensitive places.

Special notification measures for programmed pesticide use in public places adjacent to Centennial Parklands Children's Centre and Moriah College will consist of displaying temporary signs prior to treatment and the signs will remain for the remainder of the business day after treatment or until the product is dry.

In addition to the signage notification, the Children's Centre and School will be notified by phone 48 Hours prior to any nearby pesticide application.

Notification of emergency pesticide applications

In cases where emergency pesticide applications in public places are required to deal with biting or dangerous pests such as wasps, bees, venomous spiders, fleas, bird mites or rodents (that pose an immediate health hazard), the Trust will, where reasonably possible place signage in the surrounding area providing the public with at least a 10 metre buffer zone between the sign and the treatment area. If this is not possible, the person applying the pesticide will verbally advise the public at the time of application.

Pesticide contractors and lessees of public places

Where the Trust uses contractors to apply pesticides on its behalf, the Trust will ensure that all contractors are inducted as per the notification requirements listed within this plan.

Where certain sites within the Trust's lands are under lease arrangement, the lessee will be required to notify the public of pesticide usage as per the requirements listed within this Plan.

5. What information will be provided

In accordance with clause 11L(2)(g) of the *Pesticides Regulation 1995*, notice of pesticide use will include the following information:

- the full product name of the pesticide to be used;
- the purpose of the use, clearly setting out what pest or pests are being treated;
- the proposed date/s or date range of the pesticide use;
- the places where the pesticide is to be used;
- contact telephone number and email address of the Trust officer the public can contact to discuss the notice; and
- any warnings regarding re-entry to, or use of the place, if specified on the pesticide product label or the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority permit.

The temporary signage to be used to notify the public will be of a standardised design and size that will be easily identified by the public.

6. How the Community will be informed of this plan

The Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust will advise residents of this Plan and its contents by:

- making a copy of the Plan available for viewing, free of charge, at its administration building located at the corner of Grand and Parkes Drive, Centennial Park (behind the restaurant and café building)
 - a copy of the Plan is also located on the Centennial Parklands website – www.cp.nsw.gov.au
 - placing a notice in *The Wentworth Courier*
 - placing a notice in the NSW Government Gazette
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7. Future reviews of this plan

The Pesticide Use Notification Plan will be reviewed every five (5) years or when circumstances require a review of the Plan. The review will include:

- a report on progress of implementing the Plan
- Placing the Plan on public exhibition, with proposed changes highlighted for public comment
- Recommendation for alterations (if applicable) to the Plan

8. Contact details

Anyone wishing to contact the Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust to discuss the Pesticide Use Notification Plan or to obtain details of pesticide applications in public places managed by the Trust should contact:

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