



Fact Sheet on California Prohibitions on the Use of Anticoagulant Rodenticide Pesticide Products

Effective January 1, 2025, California law prohibits most uses of anticoagulant rodenticides.

Identifying Anticoagulant Rodenticide Products:

Identify anticoagulant rodenticide products by looking at the active ingredient listed on the product label. The following active ingredients are subject to the statewide prohibition found in Food and Agricultural Code section 12978.7:

- Diphacinone, Chlorophacinone, or Warfarin
- Brodifacoum, Bromadiolone, Difenacoum, or Difethialone

Allowed Uses:

Though most uses of anticoagulant rodenticides are prohibited, California law allows for limited exemptions. Below are examples of allowed uses:

- Use by mosquito or vector control districts
- Eradication of non-native invasive species on offshore islands
- Eradication of invasive rodent populations for the protection of threatened or endangered species or their habitats as determined by the Department of Fish and Wildlife
- To control actual or potential infestations associated with an urgent, non-routine public health need declared by the State Public Health Officer or a local public health officer
- Under a research authorization issued by the Department of Pesticide Regulation or for certain research funded by the California Department of Food and Agriculture
- At certain medical waste generators, such as:
 - Medical, dental, and veterinary offices, clinics, hospitals, surgery centers, etc.
 - Pet shops; and
 - Trauma scene waste management practitioners
- At certain Federal Drug Administration registered and inspected facilities.
- On agricultural sites producing any horticultural, viticultural, aquacultural, forestry, dairy, livestock, poultry, bee, or farm product.
- At warehouses used to store food for human or animal consumption;
- At food manufacturing or processing plants, such as a slaughterhouse or cannery;
- At factories, breweries, or wineries;
- On-farm water storage and conveyance facilities, or on-farm sites storing rights-of-way or other on-farm transportation infrastructure materials.

For an allowed anticoagulant rodenticide use, the product labeling and other applicable pesticide laws and regulations must continue to be followed.

If you have any questions about this law or determining if your use site meets an exemption, please contact your local County Agricultural Commissioner:

<https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/exec/county/countymap/>.