Proposed Marin Community College District Policy  
No. 6570  
Business and Fiscal Affairs

BP 6570  INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

References:

❖ From current College of Marin Policy 8.0029 titled Integrated Pest Management Policy

The Marin Community College District (MCCD) recognizes that maintenance of a safe, clean and healthful environment for faculty, students and staff is essential to learning. Providing safer alternatives to chemical pesticides reduces exposure of building occupants and maintenance personnel to potentially hazardous chemical, biological and particle contaminants, while preventing economic and health damage caused by pests. Accordingly, the District will develop and implement a low environmental impact (integrated) pest management procedure that includes preferred pest management products, methods, inspections, monitoring and evaluation. It is the goal of MCCD to provide for the safest and lowest risk approach to control pest problems while protecting faculty, students, staff, the environment, and MCCD property.

MCCD adopts a Least-Toxic Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Policy. Pests and weeds will be controlled to protect the health and safety of faculty, students and staff and to maintain the integrity of college buildings and grounds. It is the policy of MCCD to focus on long-term pest prevention and give non-chemical methods first consideration when selecting appropriate control techniques. The full range of alternatives will be considered, giving preference to non-chemical use, and then chemicals that pose the least possible hazard to people and the environment.

A Least-Toxic Integrated Pest Management (IPM) plan contains the following elements:

A. Monitoring to determine pest population levels and identify decisions and practices that could affect pest populations.

B. Setting of injury and action levels to determine when vegetation or a pest population at a specific site cause(s) unacceptable economic or medical damage wherein corrective action should be taken.

C. Modification of pest habitats to deter pest populations and minimize pest infestations.
D. Consideration of a range of potential treatments for the pest problem, including physical, horticultural and biological methods of pest control, using synthetic chemical controls only as a last resort and only those chemicals that pose the least possible hazard to people and the environment.

Office of Primary Responsibility: College Operations

NOTE: The wording in regular text is from current College of Marin Policy 8.0029 titled Integrated Pest Management Policy adopted on 8/28/01. The text in underlined italics is language added by College Operations. Language recommended for deletion is struck through. The Policy and Procedure Task Force approved this policy on October 15, 2008.

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