IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES

Pesticide Review Process

Any Thurston County department that has an IPM prescription to chemically control a pest problem must request a product review by the Environmental Health Division.
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Pesticide products are reviewed and ranked based on their environmental fate and toxicological hazards.
Departments are encouraged to start chemical control with the least toxic products (products with a “passed” ranking) before using more toxic products (“conditional” or “failed” ranking).

Pesticide ranked: “passed”
All departments can use these products to execute a Board of Health approved prescription.

Pesticide ranked: “conditional”
A department requests to escalate chemical control to “conditional” by submitting a written application procedure, for a specific product, to IPM Coordinator. Coordinator reviews prescription and previous control methods to determine if chemical escalation is in accordance with prescription.

Pesticide ranked: “failed”
Pesticides ranked “failed” can only be used to execute a site specific prescription approved by the Board of Health.

If IPM Coordinator approves application procedure, “conditional” pesticide can be used to execute the prescription.