

**Application Form – for a *Letter of Opinion* for Natural Resources Management
Projects Involving Class 9 Pesticide Use**

Part 1 - Information about the person(s) requesting a *Letter of Opinion*

Applicant's Name:

Applicant's Address:

Applicant's Telephone Number:

Applicant's E-mail Address:

Name of the Exterminator(s) that will use the Class 9¹ Pesticide:

Part 2 - Information about the property where the pesticide will be applied:

Street address or legal description of the land/property that contains the application area(s);

Include a detailed map that clearly illustrates the area(s) where a Class 9 pesticide will be used and if applicable the buffer zone (as outlined on the label for the pesticide that will be used). The treatment area and buffer zone should be delineated separately.

Part 3 - Purpose for which use of a Class 9 pesticide is being requested

If the use of the pesticide is otherwise authorized under subsection 7.1 (2) of the Pesticides Act, the natural resource exception in subsection 33 (1) of Ontario Regulation 63/09 under the Pesticides Act (the "Regulation") does not apply (see subsection 33 (7) of the Regulation). For additional information on these other authorized uses of pesticides under the Pesticides Act, please contact the Ontario Ministry of the Environment at 1-800-565-4923.

(NOTE: provide answers to the questions in ONE of Sections A or B or C)

A) If the purpose for which the pesticide is to be used is to control an invasive species that may be detrimental to the health of persons or the environment or economy of Ontario, please provide the following information:

- The name(s) of the invasive species proposed for control;

¹ * a list of Class 9 Pesticide ingredients is available at:

<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/en/land/pesticides/classes/class9pesticides.pdf>

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- A description of how this invasive species has impacted the health of persons or the environment or economy of Ontario (note: reference to information in the literature will suffice; e.g., Garlic Mustard impacts the biodiversity in the area as outlined in the *Landowners Guide to Controlling Invasive Woodland Plants*.)

B) If the purpose for which the pesticide is to be used is to benefit a species of plant or animal native to Ontario, through the protection of the species' or its habitat, or the establishment, restoration or management of the species' habitat, please provide the following information:

- The name(s) of native plants or animals which will benefit
- Describe how the use of the pesticide would benefit the species or its habitat.
- The name(s) of species/plant community proposed for control.

C) If the purpose for which the pesticide is to be used is to protect or restore a rare ecosystem or its components, please provide the following information:

- A description of the rare ecosystem or the ecosystem components to be protected or restored. Please include in this description the names of the species that would benefit from this proposal (e.g., the rare species, community, ecosystem or its components that will be restored);
- The name(s) of species/plant community proposed for control.

Part 4 – Other Site Features

- Provide a description of any natural heritage features, (as per the Natural Heritage Reference Manual for Natural Heritage Policies of the Provincial Policy Statement, 2005) and, if applicable, the buffer zone (as per the buffer zone, if any, outlined on the label for the pesticide that will be used).
- Provide the names of any provincial park or conservation reserve in the area where the pesticide will be applied and, if applicable, the buffer zone (per the buffer zone, if any, outlined on the label for the pesticide that will be used)
- Please provide photographs (digital or prints) of the site and the species proposed for control. The resolution must be of sufficient quality so that the species proposed for treatment can be clearly identified (i.e., photographs of sufficient resolution to show details of the flower (if present), seed pods or fruit, leaves, stems, bark (if relevant) and the whole plant). More than one photograph will be needed in many cases.

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Part 5 – Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

- Please answer one of the following:
 - a) Will Best Management Practices² be followed? Indicate the Best Management Practice document used:
(or)
 - b) Describe control measures by outlining how the Class 9 pesticide will be used in accordance with IPM principles (e.g., monitoring pest populations to make treatment decisions, Control methods previously used/tried, using a variety of control techniques – mechanical and biological, along with pesticides as necessary – to manage pests in an effective manner).
- If relevant, describe any follow up rehabilitation measures planned to ensure the species in question does not become re-established (e.g., planting of native vegetation).

Part 6: Project Timelines:

Please indicate the desired start date for your project:

Start Date: Year _____
Month³ _____

Please indicate the calendar year end date⁴ for your project:

Calendar year end date: Year _____

Part 7 – Declaration

If a *Letter of Opinion* is provided, the applicant/exterminator acknowledges and accepts the following:

- The applicant/exterminator may not transfer the *Letter of Opinion* to any other person for a use pertaining to the Project described in this application.
- Pursuant to clause 33 (6) (b) of the Regulation, the applicant/exterminator who uses the pesticide must carry a copy of the written opinion provided by the MNR Director or have it readily available at the extermination site.
- The applicant/exterminator would be carrying out the project on their own accord, as an independent party, and that the opinion would not be interpreted

² BMPs outline control methods that are based on IPM principles

³ Desired start time (month) is included to provide MNR an indication of when approvals are needed.

⁴ The maximum duration of a Letter of Opinion is 5 years

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as creating a relationship of agency, joint venture, partnership or employment between the Ministry of Natural Resources and the pesticide user.

- The applicant/exterminator would ensure:
 - that any use of a pesticide associated with the project would comply with the requirements of the *Pesticides Act* and its regulations;
 - that the pesticide would be used in accordance with the direction set out on the product label;
 - compliance with all applicable laws in carrying out the project for which the pesticide would be used;
 - that the use of the pesticide would not otherwise be authorized under subsection 7.1 (2) of the *Pesticides Act* (as per subsection 33(7) of Ontario Regulation 63/09);
 - that the use of the pesticide will be in accordance with integrated pest management (“IPM”) principles; and
 - that the Class 9 pesticide would only be used for the purposes identified in this application form.
 - If the applicant is not the landowner/occupier, a release form (or forms if more than one landowner/occupiers) has been obtained.

Part 8- Signature of Applicant and Exterminator

Applicant:
Signature _____
Name _____
Date _____

Exterminator⁵:
Signature _____
Name _____
Date _____

Any questions regarding the application or use of a pesticide should be directed to the Ontario Ministry of the Environment (MOE) at the Regional MOE office (request to speak with a Pesticides Specialist) at:

<http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/en/contact/regionalmap.php>

For General information contact the MOE at:

1-800-565-4923 or (416) 325-4000

⁵ If there will be more than one exterminator, please include the names and signatures of all exterminators who will be applying the pesticide at the site(s), as an attachment to this application.

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