

1080 supply in Victoria

This fact sheet is designed to ensure that 1080 baiting coordinators and retailers understand the framework for 1080 bait supply in Victoria.

BACKGROUND

Agriculture Victoria has recently received several queries regarding the correct process to be followed by retailers of 1080 bait products. 1080 products (including baits and capsules) are classified by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) as restricted chemical products, which means they can only be supplied to authorised people. In Victoria, 1080 products may only be supplied to people who are 18 years of age or older and who:

- hold a valid Agricultural Chemical Users Permit (ACUP) with a 1080 and PAPP endorsement; or
- are a person, entity or staff member operating under a valid Commercial Operators Licence (COL) with vermin destroyer endorsement who has also successfully completed the accredited 1080 and PAPP user training course (VIC22275); or
- hold a Pest Control Licence issued by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that has an authorisation to use pesticides formulated for the control of pest animals to protect a building used for commercial purposes, domestic premises or privately-owned land adjacent to domestic premises. This person must also have completed the accredited 1080 and PAPP course; or
- hold a Pilot (Chemical Rating) Licence (PCL) who has successfully completed the accredited 1080 and PAPP training course.

1080 concentrate cannot legally be supplied via retail outlets to chemical users.

It is critical that the correct supply process is followed to ensure that 1080 products are not supplied to people that have not been trained in safe usage. Use of 1080 by

unauthorised people has the potential to lead to severe consequences, such as the poisoning of off target species. Every effort must be made by retailers and baiting coordinators to prevent this type of event.

1080 MANUFACTURING

Manufacturers of 1080 products must hold the appropriate licence issued by Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). The licensing requirement applies regardless of whether the 1080 products are shelf-stable or perishable.

For more information on 1080 manufacturing licensing visit <https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/public-health/drugs-and-poisons/1080-poison-manufacture-and-supply-licence>.

1080 SUPPLY – WHOLESALE VS RETAIL LICENCE

The DHHS licensing requirements differentiate between businesses that may supply certain 1080 products by wholesale or solely by retail.

Wholesaling is the sale or supply of 1080 products to an appropriately accredited retailer who then sells or supplies those products to the public. For example, manufacturers of shelf stable APVMA-registered 1080 products or 1080 perishable baits made under an APVMA permit must hold a licence to manufacture and sell or supply by wholesale if they wish to supply those products to a retailer for sale to the public. Holders of a wholesale licence may also sell or supply the products directly to an end user.

Most 1080 bait product manufacturers in Victoria hold a licence to manufacture and sell or supply those baits via wholesale.

Retailing is the sale or supply of 1080 products only to the end user and not for on-supply. For example, a manufacturer of perishable 1080 baits for own use may choose to hold a licence to manufacture and sell/supply by retail.

✓ All applicants for a licence to manufacture and sell or supply perishable 1080 baits by retail or by wholesale must have completed the AgSafe online course: Supply of

perishable 1080 bait products (using 1080 aqueous solution). It is a condition of their licence that wholesalers may only supply 1080 bait products to retailers that have AgSafe 1080 premises accreditation.

✓ Persons wanting to retail shelf-stable 1080 products and/or perishable 1080 baits must have completed the AgSafe online course in order to apply for their licence. The licence itself does not require their retail premises to be AgSafe accredited, however many retailers hold this accreditation.

1080 SUPPLY – BAITING COORDINATORS

Baiting coordinators play a crucial part in the safe and effective use of 1080 products. They are viewed as experts by their local communities and as such are expected to have a thorough understanding of the regulatory framework.

✓ Coordinators generally organise a group of land owners to conduct a baiting program. This may be arranged in various ways however, it is most common for the coordinator to organise with an AgSafe accredited 1080 retailer to order enough baits for each participant in the baiting program.

✗ Baiting coordinators or land care groups should not be involved in commercial transactions between the retailer and the purchaser. For example, the coordinator must not purchase the baits and then issue invoices to the participants. If they do so they are effectively acting as the bait retailer which puts the local retailer at risk of operating illegally as an unlicensed wholesaler.

Best practice for coordinators is to:

- work with the participants to determine the total number of baits needed;
- communicate with the retailer to make sure they have enough baits; and
- ensure that the baiting program participants are supplied with baits and invoices from the retailer. The participants may collect these from the retailer's outlet or the coordinator may organise the retailer to attend a local site at a specified date and time for participants to pick up their baits and invoices.

1080 SUPPLY – RETAILERS

Details on the process of becoming a 1080 accredited retailer can be found at:

<https://www.agsafe.org.au/premisesaccred/1080-accredited-stores>

1080 retailers must make the following sales records:

- Name and address of the purchaser;
- The date of sale/supply; and
- The name and quantity of the chemical sold.

No person can sell or supply a 1080 product to a person under 18 years of age.

Retailers should take steps to ensure they do not supply unauthorised people with 1080. This is most easily achieved by requiring the purchaser to present their authorisation e.g. a current and valid ACUP with 1080/PAPP endorsement at the time of the sale or supply.

1080 products must also be securely stored at the retail site in a manner that does not allow access by the public.

Best practice for retailers is to:

- Require people wanting to purchase 1080 to show you their authorization;
- Ask whether the user has a copy of the 'Directions for the Use of 1080 and PAPP Pest Animal Bait Products in Victoria' ('DfU');
- Make sure the purchaser understands the need for them to comply with the DfU e.g. transport, storage, risk assessments, neighbour notification, signage, record keeping and bait disposal
- Direct them towards Agriculture Victoria or a baiting coordinator to obtain more information about best practice pest control or to get a copy of the DfU.

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