

HERBICIDE AND PESTICIDE USE

Background

The District recognizes that the application of herbicides and pesticides has potential short-term and long-term harmful effects on our environment and the health of citizens in our communities.

The application of herbicides and pesticides is prohibited from use on properties owned by School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) unless deemed necessary by the District in serious situation as set out in the following procedures.

Procedures

1. There shall be no application of herbicides on any District owned fields or grounds.
 - 1.1 managed by the District.
 - 1.2 managed by the City, unless with the prior written approval of the District.
2. Where the District has an agreement in place for the City management of a track facility on District property, then any application of herbicides in emergent situations must be done in accordance with that City's own approved control procedures.
3. Where a pest infestation poses a threat to children's health or safety, the removal or destruction of the threatening pest may be carried out under prescribed control procedures by properly qualified personnel.
4. Where it is deemed that invasive plant species may cause substantial damage to structures or infrastructure, herbicides may be used to control or prevent damage.

Reference: Section 65, 85, School Act

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