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Pesticides: Registration and Importation

In recent months, countless pesticides have been seized at the border as a result of non-compliance. As stated by the Pesticides Regulations 1990, 'no person shall import any pesticides in Samoa or sell it or offer it for sale or offer it as a gift or free sample unless it is registered'.

This is a reminder on "Procedure for registration and Importation of pesticides".

Procedure for Registration:

1. Application should be submitted to the Registrar of Pesticides (RoP). Mr. Pimalolo Maiava (RoP) is located at the ACC building, and can be contacted by Telephone 22561. Forms are available in his office.
2. The RoP processes the application and makes a recommendation to the Pesticide Technical Committee (PTC) for consideration.
3. The RoP informs the applicant of the decision with relevant information.
4. The RoP registers the pesticide when accepted. This also involves the payment of a fee by the applicant and the issuing of certificate of registration to the applicant.

The Committee may at any time cancel or suspend the registration of any pesticide if in the view of the Committee, continued use of the registered pesticide is ineffective or it gives rise during normal use to an unacceptable hazard to humans, animals or the environment.

Permit to Import:

Any person wishing to import any registered pesticide shall:

1. Apply to the RoP for a permit to import a pesticide.
2. Other information is available at the RoP.

Noted:

Chemicals are being smuggled via import consignments with contents declared as assorted items. Quarantine is cracking down on such transactions.

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