

6280.0700 COMMERCIAL PESTICIDE AND MECHANICAL CONTROL.

Subpart 1. **Pesticide applicators.** A person or firm may not apply pesticides of any kind for hire for aquatic plant management or aquatic nuisance control on public waters unless a commercial aquatic pest control license has been obtained from the Minnesota Department of Agriculture.

Subp. 2. **Commercial mechanical control.** A person or firm may not mechanically control aquatic plants on public waters for hire without first obtaining a commercial mechanical control permit issued by the commissioner. A person must complete an aquatic plant management workshop provided by the commissioner before conducting control activities under a commercial mechanical control permit. The commissioner may require follow-up workshops as needed to update permittees on new regulations or other relevant issues. This subpart does not apply to persons or firms using power-operated earth-moving equipment in public waters under terms of permits issued by the commissioner for work in the bed of public waters as provided by Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.245, or by a license permitting the passage of utilities over public lands and waters as provided by Minnesota Statutes, section 84.415. Persons or firms that use mechanical control equipment must thoroughly inspect, remove, and properly dispose of plant parts from the equipment before transporting it to another body of water.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 103G.615*

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