

Impact Analysis Statement

A Summary Impact Analysis Statement (IAS) must be completed for all regulatory proposals.

Summary IAS

Details

Lead department	Queensland Health
Name of the proposal	<i>Medicines and Poisons (Pest Management Activities) Amendment Regulation 2023</i>
Submission type (Summary IAS / Consultation IAS / Decision IAS)	Summary IAS
Title of related legislative or regulatory instrument	<i>Medicines and Poisons (Pest Management Activities) Regulation 2021</i>
Date of issue	28 September 2023

For proposals noted in table below

Complete and delete rows where applicable. No further analysis is required.

Proposal type	Details
Regulatory proposals where no RIA is required	<p>The <i>Medicines and Poisons (Pest Management Activities) Amendment Regulation 2023</i> amends the <i>Medicines and Poisons (Pest Management Activities) Regulation 2021</i> (Regulation) to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> remove the requirement to include a pest management technician's licence number and signature on a pre-treatment pest control advice; clarify that an activity risk management plan must be prepared by an appropriately qualified licensed technician; remove the requirement to include, if practicable, a site diagram in an activity risk management plan; enable an authorised officer under the <i>Biosecurity Act 2014</i> or person directed by or helping an authorised officer to carry out pest control activity for biosecurity matter that is a pest; provide that carrying out pest control activity at a high-risk or sensitive place is a standard condition for pest management licenses; clarify that while a pest management trainee is carrying out an authorised activity, an authorised pest management technician must supervise and carry out the pest management activity with the trainee; clarify what substances are prescribed as fumigants to reflect the updated meaning of fumigation activity in the <i>Medicines and Poisons Act</i>; remove the requirement for a pest management technician to provide or display their address in circumstances where it poses a risk to their personal safety and the security of pesticides and fumigants stored at the address;



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • amend the definition of high-risk place to ensure it does not capture small retail outlets; • amend the definition of sensitive place to ensure it does not capture medical facilities that provide outpatient services; • update references to the Departmental Standard - <i>Competency requirements for licensed technicians undertaking pest management activities with pesticides and fumigants</i> (Competency Standard) to reflect version 2 of the Competency Standard; • provide that the chief executive of the Department is authorised to approve training substantially equivalent to a competency in the Competency Standard; • insert a transitional provision to provide licensed technicians with an endorsement to treat urban pests at a high-risk or sensitive place with 12-months to complete the competency requirements; and • make other minor and technical amendments to improve the operation of the Pest Management Regulation. <p>Queensland Health has assessed the amendments and notes that the amendments clarify the intent of the Regulation, as well as reflect existing industry practice. No significant policy changes will be implemented, and the amendments are expected to streamline pest management technicians' compliance with the Regulation.</p> <p>Queensland Health considers that while the amendments increase competency requirements that add to the burden of regulation, the marginal increase is not significant, and the amendments are unlikely to result in significant adverse impacts. Queensland Health has identified that no further regulatory impact analysis is required under <i>The Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy</i>.</p>
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*Refer to [The Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy](#) for regulatory proposals not requiring regulatory impact analysis (for example, public sector management, changes to existing criminal laws, taxation).

Signed

Director-General Queensland Health

Date: 31/10/2023

Minister for Health, Mental Health and Ambulance Services and Minister for Women

Date: 7/11/2023