

# 1080

## Pest Animal Bait Products

### Frequently Asked Questions

## Manufacturers of Perishable Baits (made using 1080 Aqueous Solution)

### How do I become a manufacturer of perishable 1080 bait using 1080 aqueous solution?

You must have a licence from the Department of Human Services (DHS) to manufacture and supply 1080 pest animal bait products using Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) registered 1080 aqueous solution and supply them in accordance with an APVMA permit.

To qualify as an authorised person to obtain a DHS licence you must either:

- be a manufacturer of an APVMA registered 1080 aqueous solution; or
- be a Commercial Operator (COL) whose licence is endorsed for vermin control, and who has successfully completed Agsafe Guardian 1080 Perishable Bait training and Perishable Bait Manufacturer training.

Once you have a DHS licence you must comply with all the licence conditions and only supply perishable bait products in accordance with the 'Permit for Supplying a Perishable Bait Treated with a Registered Chemical Product' from the APVMA. You must also label perishable bait products in accordance with this permit.

### What other requirements are there on manufacturers of perishable bait using 1080 aqueous solution?

DHS licensed perishable bait manufacturers must also:

- prepare 1080 pest animal bait products in accordance with the 1080 Aqueous Solution label and *Victorian Code of Practice for the Preparation of Perishable 1080 Pest Animal Bait (Using 1080 Aqueous Solution)*; and
- supply perishable bait in accordance with the APVMA 'Permit for Supplying a Perishable Bait Treated with a Registered Chemical Product'; and
- keep records of manufacture and supply for a minimum of three years as a condition of the DHS licence.

The *Victorian Code of Practice for the Preparation of Perishable 1080 Pest Animal Bait (Using 1080 Aqueous Solution)* will be provided to manufacturers at their training and is also available from the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) website at [www.dpi.vic.gov.au/1080](http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/1080)

### How much does a DHS Manufacturer Licence cost?

It costs \$543.30 for a new application and \$205 for annual renewal. Fees are adjusted each year in accordance with Department of Treasury and Finance determinations.

### Where can I get information about DHS licences?

More information on DHS manufacture and retail licences is available from [http://www.health.vic.gov.au/dpu/1080\\_poison.htm](http://www.health.vic.gov.au/dpu/1080_poison.htm) or call 1300 364 545 or email [dpu@dhs.vic.gov.au](mailto:dpu@dhs.vic.gov.au)

### What are the penalties for breaching the Code of Practice?

Failure to comply with a DHS licence condition is an offence under Section 46 of the *Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981* and may incur a maximum fine of 100 penalty units. It may also result in suspension or cancellation of the licence.

### How do I get a copy of the APVMA permit?

It is available from the APVMA website at [www.apvma.gov.au](http://www.apvma.gov.au) or call 02 6210 4710.

### How do I get a copy of the Victorian Code of Practice for the Preparation of Perishable 1080 Pest Animal Bait (Using 1080 Aqueous Solution)?

This document will be provided to manufacturers of perishable bait during the 1080 Perishable Bait Manufacturer training course. It is also available from the DPI website at [www.dpi.vic.gov.au/1080](http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/1080) or by calling the DPI Customer Service Centre on 136 186.

### Who can I supply perishable bait to?

You can supply perishable 1080 pest animal bait directly to an end user who is an "authorised person". An authorised person includes:

- a person who holds a valid Agricultural Chemical User Permit (ACUP) with 1080 endorsement issued under the *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Control of Use Act) 1992*; or
- an individual or entity who holds a valid COL with a vermin endorsement (issued under the *Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Control of Use) Act 1992*); or
- a person who holds a valid Licence to Use Pesticides (LTUP) issued under the *Health Act 1958*, authorising the use of pesticides formulated for the control of pest animals.

It is illegal to supply bait to anyone who is not an authorised person.

It is illegal to sell or supply 1080 pest animal bait products to a person who is under the age of 18 years.

### What paperwork do I have to do and what records do I have to keep?

You must keep records of manufacture and supply for a minimum period of 3 years.

If you supply the bait to an end user or a COL holder to use on behalf of a landholder, you must co-sign the Bait User Declaration form and keep records of sale or supply for 3 years. Section 38 of the *Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981* requires that a person who sells or supplies by retail a Schedule 7 poison, such as 1080 pest animal bait products, must keep an accurate record of the sale or supply, setting out the following details:

- the name and address of the person who purchases or obtains the 1080 pest animal bait products; and
- the date of supply; and
- the name and quantity of the 1080 pest animal bait products purchased or obtained.

If you are using the 1080 pest animal bait products yourself, you have to complete the Risk Assessment and Bait User Declaration forms and keep a copy. You must also keep records of use for 2 years.

### Am I liable if a user misuses 1080 bait?

No. The onus is on the user to assess the risk and sign-off the Bait User Declaration to say they have done so and to use 1080 pest animal bait products in accordance with the product label and *Directions for the Use of 1080 Pest Animal Bait Products in Victoria*. This situation may not apply if you are aware that the person made a false Bait User Declaration.

### Can I manufacture and store the baits before selling them?

Baits should only be prepared as required for sale or use. Because perishable 1080 pest animal baits are freshly prepared they have to be laid within 3 days of the date of manufacture. Beyond that the bait substrates readily spoil.

As a Restricted Chemical (Schedule 7) product, perishable 1080 pest animal bait must be stored in a locked room away from children, animals, food, feed stuffs, seed and fertilisers at all times except when required for use.

When you are selling or supplying Schedule 7 poisons such as perishable bait products from a retail area, the products must not be accessible to the public unless the storage area is under your direct supervision.

### Can I mix the bait in the field?

No. Manufacturing premises must be at a fixed address and must comply with all relevant Acts, regulations, codes and statutory requirements. Manufacturing premises must be licensed by DHS and are inspected before any manufacturing licence can be issued.

### Can I use the bait I make myself?

Yes. Providing you hold a manufacturing licence with DHS and prepare the baits in accordance with the *Victorian Code of Practice for the Preparation of Perishable 1080 Pest Animal Bait Products (Using 1080 Aqueous Solution)* and use them in accordance with the *Directions for the Use of 1080 Pest Animal bait Products in Victoria* you may use the bait you make yourself.

### Where can I get aqueous solution?

APVMA registered 1080 aqueous solution is available from:

- Animal Control Technologies who can be contacted on 03 9308 9688 (information is also available at [www.animalcontrol.com.au](http://www.animalcontrol.com.au))
- Paks National who can be contacted on 02 9999 3949 (information is also available at [www.paks.com.au](http://www.paks.com.au)).

### What do I do if 1080 aqueous solution or 1080 pest animal bait products are lost or stolen?

By law you must call the DHS on 1300 364 545 or the Victorian Police on 000 as soon as you become aware of the loss or theft.

### Can my manufacturing staff prepare baits?

Yes. Under the DHS manufacturing licence that relates to your premises, your staff can be involved in the manufacture of pest animal baits. The licence holder is responsible for ensuring that the licence conditions are complied with, including ensuring staff are adequately trained.

### What do I need to give bait users when they buy perishable baits from me?

The APVMA 'Permit for Supplying a Perishable Bait Treated with a Registered Chemical Product' stipulates the conditions under which the bait may be supplied. The person supplying the bait (ie the manufacturer):

- must not supply bait to a person who is not an authorised user; and
- must inform the user that the bait may only be used in accordance with the instructions supplied with the bait and terms of the permit; and
- must supply the bait user with instructions on how to lay baits and other requirements they have to follow.

This permit, which details the requirements of the perishable bait manufacturer, is available from the APVMA's website <http://permits.apvma.gov.au/PER8781.PDF>

**For more information about DPI visit the website at [www.dpi.vic.gov.au](http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au) or call the Customer Service Centre on 136 186.**

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