

NOTICE

Delivery of Chemical Samples to the APVMA

The Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicine Authority wishes to remind all applicants, registrants and other interested parties that chemical samples **must not** be delivered to its premises at 18 Wormald Street, Symonston, Canberra.

The delivery of chemical samples, eg active constituent, formulated product, used packaging, or examples of non-registered product, represent a significant Occupational Health and Safety risk to APVMA staff and possibly postal services staff. The APVMA building is not designed for receiving and/or storing potentially dangerous materials.

The APVMA requests that samples not be delivered to its Canberra office. Where a chemical sample is required for APVMA's regulatory activities, the APVMA will provide a specific address to which the sample should be delivered. In instances where a person is lodging a report alleging non-compliance of a product, it is sufficient for the person to provide as supporting evidence clear images (photographs or photocopy) of the label and/or product.

Some chemical products are dangerous goods as defined by the *Australian Dangerous Goods Act* and *Postal Services Act 1998*. The transport and delivery of these samples, when not adequately labelled, may constitute an offence under one or both of these Acts. Should samples be delivered to the APVMA address in future, the APVMA will contact and advise the carriage service of the nature of the material delivered. The APVMA may pass on to the sender all costs associated with the isolation, transport and disposal of the chemical material.