

CHAPTER 23. PESTICIDES

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Article 23.1 Adopted

May 20, 1989

Article 23.2 Summary

Pursuant to the revised Statutes of the State of Maine, as amended, 22 M.R.S.A., Section 1471-U and 1471-V, the Rangeley Municipal Ordinance for control of pesticides became void and of no effect after December 31, 1988, so that, as of that date, the only regulations for pesticide control in effect in Rangeley are the Pesticide Regulations for the State of Maine. The following are the Chapter Regulations for Rangeley:

Article 23.3 Purpose and Definition

The Town of Rangeley enacts this Pesticides Chapter to the Town Code to adopt the pesticide regulations of the State of Maine and the following regulations supplementary to the Pesticide Regulations of the State of Maine. The term “pesticide” includes, and is limited to, pesticides regulated by the State of Maine.

Article 23.4 Drift Management Plan

Any party who plans to apply pesticides by powered equipment to an area of two acres or greater shall submit a Drift Management Plan to the Selectmen for approval. The Drift Management Plan will describe the methods proposed for compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22 of the Pesticide Regulations promulgated by the Board of Pesticides Control, Maine Department of Agriculture.

Article 23.5 Notification

Any party who plans to apply pesticides by powered equipment to an area of two acres or greater shall notify all landowners within 500 feet of the perimeter of the area to be treated. The method of notification shall comply with the regulations set forth in Section 6C-1 of Chapter 22 of the State Pesticide Regulations.

Article 23.6 Pesticide Control Officer

The Selectmen of the Town of Rangeley shall appoint a Pesticide Control Officer. The duties of the Pesticide Control Officer shall be to monitor compliance with the requirements for Drift Management Plans and notification as set forth herein. The

Pesticide Control Officer shall cooperate with State Officials to promote compliance with the State Pesticide Regulations.

Article 23.7 Restricted Area

Within one-half of a mile of the intersection of Main St. and Pleasant St., there shall be no spraying of pesticides by powered equipment except by special permission of the Selectmen. If such special permission is granted, operating requirements more stringent than state regulations may be set by the Selectmen.

Article 23.8 Amendments, Validity, and Severability

This Chapter may be amended by a Town Hearing of the Town of Rangeley, legally warned, called, and conducted. The provisions of this Chapter are severable. Should any Section of this Chapter be declared by any Court to be invalid, such decision shall not invalidate any other Section or Provision.

Article 23.9 Effective Date

The effective date of this Chapter is the date on which it shall have received any required approval from a State entity and is affirmatively voted at Town Meeting. Unless otherwise ordered by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction, this Ordinance shall remain in effect until terminated or amended by majority vote of a town meeting.