

*The authority and responsibility for regulating the Pest Control Industry and enforcing the Structural Pest Control Law (Chapter 482, Florida Statutes) is vested in the Bureau of Entomology and Pest Control. The Bureau conducts regular inspections which help ensure that required training and supervision is being provided to this industry's identification card holders (application technicians) by credential certified operators who have themselves undergone extensive training and passed rigorous examinations in one or all of four categories of pest control (Fumigation Pest Control; Termite and other Wood-Destroying Organisms Pest Control; General Household and Rodent Pest Control and Lawn and Ornamental Pest Control). Specifically related to the category of Lawn and Ornamental Pest Control, the industry worked closely with the Department and other State Agencies to develop a set of Best Management Practices for the Florida Green Industries that is currently used as a training guide and a reference for pest control operator examinations. The Industry is therefore highly regulated and well trained in methods and procedures related to the application of chemical pesticides and fertilizers.*

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