

## CHAPTER 413

## INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

**§2401. Definitions**

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings. [PL 1991, c. 609, §2 (NEW).]

**1. Integrated pest management.** "Integrated pest management" means the selection, integration and implementation of pest damage prevention and control based on predicted socioeconomic and ecological consequences, including:

- A. Understanding the system in which the pest exists; [PL 1991, c. 609, §2 (NEW).]
- B. Establishing dynamic economic or aesthetic injury thresholds and determining whether the organism or organism complex warrants control; [PL 1991, c. 609, §2 (NEW).]
- C. Monitoring pests and natural enemies; [PL 1991, c. 609, §2 (NEW).]
- D. When needed, selecting the appropriate system of cultural, mechanical, genetic, including resistant cultivars, biological or chemical prevention techniques or controls for desired suppression; and [PL 1991, c. 609, §2 (NEW).]
- E. Systematically evaluating the pest management approaches utilized. [PL 1991, c. 609, §2 (NEW).]

[PL 1991, c. 609, §2 (NEW).]

## SECTION HISTORY

PL 1991, c. 609, §2 (NEW).

**§2402. Integrated Pest Management Fund**

**(REPEALED)**

## SECTION HISTORY

PL 1991, c. 609, §2 (NEW). PL 1993, c. 251, §B2 (AMD). PL 2001, c. 497, §2 (RP).

**§2403. Integrated Pest Management Advisory Committee**

**(REPEALED)**

## SECTION HISTORY

PL 1991, c. 609, §2 (NEW). PL 1993, c. 251, §B3 (RP).

**§2404. Integrated Pest Management Council**

**1. Establishment; meetings.** The Integrated Pest Management Council, referred to in this section as the "council," as established in Title 5, section 12004-G, subsection 3-C, is created within the department and is administered jointly by the department and the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Pest Management Office. Members of the council must be jointly appointed by the commissioner and the Director of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension. The council must meet at least 2 times a year. Members are entitled to reimbursement for expenses only in accordance with Title 5, chapter 379.

[PL 2001, c. 667, Pt. B, §4 (AMD); PL 2001, c. 667, Pt. B, §5 (AFF).]

**2. Membership.** The council consists of the following 11 members:

- A. Three members representing agricultural pest management; [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]

- B. One member representing a citizen interest organization; [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
- C. One member representing the interest of forestry; [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
- D. One member representing organic growers and producers; [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
- E. One member representing structural pest management; [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
- F. One member representing rights-of-way vegetation management; [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
- G. One member representing turf or landscape management; [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
- H. One member representing a nonprofit environmental organization; and [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
- I. One member representing integrated pest management research. [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]

**3. Term of office.** The term of office for members is 3 years except that, of the original members appointed, the appointing authority shall appoint members to serve one-year, 2-year and 3-year terms to establish staggered terms.  
[PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]

**4. Coordinators.** The commissioner and the Director of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension shall each appoint one member of the council to serve as a cocoordinator of the council.  
[PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]

**5. Duties; responsibilities.** The council shall facilitate, promote, expand and enhance integrated pest management adoption in all sectors of pesticide use and pest management within the State. Specifically, the council shall:

- A. Identify long-term and short-term priorities for integrated pest management research, education, demonstration and implementation; [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
  - B. Serve as a communication link for the development of coordinated multidisciplinary partnerships among researchers, educators, regulators, policymakers and integrated pest management users; [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
  - C. Identify funding sources and cooperate on obtaining new funding for on-site trials, education and training programs and other efforts to meet identified goals for expanding, advancing and implementing integrated pest management; [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
  - D. Establish measurable goals for expansion of integrated pest management into new sectors and advancing the level of integrated pest management adoption in sectors where integrated pest management is already practiced; and [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
  - E. Cooperate with appropriate organizations to establish protocols for measuring and documenting integrated pest management adoption in the State. [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]
- [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]

**6. Report.** The council shall report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over agricultural matters annually on all of the council's activities during the year.  
[PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]

#### SECTION HISTORY

PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW). PL 2001, c. 667, §B4 (AMD). PL 2001, c. 667, §B5 (AFF).

#### §2405. Integrated Pest Management Fund

There is created a dedicated, nonlapsing Integrated Pest Management Fund. The commissioner shall credit funds from any source to the Integrated Pest Management Fund for the purpose of

developing and implementing integrated pest management programs. Appropriations from the General Fund may not be credited to the Integrated Pest Management Fund. [PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).]

#### SECTION HISTORY

PL 2001, c. 497, §3 (NEW).

#### **§2406. University of Maine Cooperative Extension integrated pest management programs**

The University of Maine Cooperative Extension shall develop and implement integrated pest management programs. The extension may seek the advice of the Integrated Pest Management Council established in section 2404 in establishing the programs. The extension shall use the funds deposited pursuant to section 607 for the purposes of this section. The extension shall administer the grant pursuant to section 607, subsection 6, paragraph A. [PL 2013, c. 290, §2 (NEW); PL 2013, c. 290, §4 (AFF).]

#### SECTION HISTORY

PL 2013, c. 290, §2 (NEW). PL 2013, c. 290, §4 (AFF).

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