



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
Building Inspection Division

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MEMORANDUM

BULLETIN G31-00

TO: All Permit Applicants
FROM: Thomas H. Goldsbury, P.E., C.B.O.
Chief, Building Inspection Division
SUBJECT: Borates as Primary Termite Treatment

In accordance with Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Memorandum 705A, dated May 15, 2000, the City of Jacksonville will now allow borates to be used as primary termite treatment in lieu of soil spray applications.

The following procedures will be required when borate treatment is used as primary termite treatment:

1. At the time of permit application, the type of termite treatment must be declared on the approved plans.
2. At permitting, a letter signed by the owner shall accompany the plans acknowledging the use of borates as primary treatment as recommended in the Department of Agriculture's memorandum stated above.
3. If the property is owned by the contractor at the time of permitting, the acknowledgement shall be given by the contractor and shall be passed along at the time of closing, along with the appropriate warranty documentation from the pest control contractor.
4. The pest control contractor shall utilize coloration dye during treatment for inspection purposes.

This approval will expire on July 1, 2001, at which time it will be reviewed for further compliance with the new Florida Building Code.

If you have any questions with regards to this policy, please feel free to contact Mr. James R. Schock, P.E., C.B.O., Building Inspection Manager, at 630-2628.

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cc: Plan Review Staff
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