

COMMERCIAL & SPECIALTY FERTILIZERS and SOIL AMENDMENTS REGISTRATION FORM for New Products

The Montana Commercial Fertilizer Act Section 80-10-201 states “Each brand & grade of fertilizer and each soil amendment, except un-manipulated animal or vegetable manures, must be registered by the manufacturer or the supplier on behalf of the manufacturer before distribution in/into Montana.”

Registration is required once annually (January 1 thru December 31). Make check or money order payable to Montana Department of Agriculture. Send registrations to the address indicated at the top of the registration form.

For each product that meets the Waste-Derived definition below, please answer ‘yes’ on the form, and then complete the Supplemental Registration Form. The Supplemental Registration Form must be submitted with the Commercial & Specialty Fertilizers and Soil Amendments Registration Form.

All requirements for registering must be completed and in the Helena office before a registration can be processed. Allow up to three weeks for processing. **Incomplete forms will be returned for completion.**

For more information on Montana fertilizer reporting requirements or to see the complete Montana Commercial Fertilizer Act, please visit our website at: <http://agr.mt.gov/Topics/Fertilizer> and click on MCA Title 80, Chapter 9 under Laws and ARM 4.12.2 under Rules.

For questions concerning this form, contact Kay Deskins, Licensing and Registration Specialist at (406) 444-0510 or Falina Hutchinson, Fertilizer Program Specialist at (406) 444-5415 or contact us via email at csb-mtplants@mt.gov.

Copies of the New Product Registration form and the Supplemental Registration form can be found at: <http://agr.mt.gov/Topics/Fertilizer>

Definitions:

COMMERCIAL FERTILIZER – “includes any substance containing one or more recognized plant nutrients that is used for its plant nutrient content and that is designed for use or claimed to have value in promoting plant growth, yield, or quality of the crop.”

SOIL AMENDMENT – “means any substance which is intended to improve the physical or chemical characteristics of soil.”

SPECIALTY FERTILIZER – “is a commercial fertilizer (dry or liquid) distributed primarily for non-farm use and includes commercial fertilizers used for research or experimental purposes.”

SUPPLIER – “means a person who distributes fertilizers or soil amendments into Montana.”

WASTE-DERIVED – “any fertilizer or soil amendment produced from or containing recyclable materials classified as a waste under Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Parts 261.2 and 261.3 (40 CFR 261.2 and 261.3).”