

INSTRUCTIONS FOR NECESSARY PREPARATIONS FOR FUMIGATION

These instructions are in addition to the "**Gas Company**", "**OCCUPANTS FUMIGATION NOTICE AND PESTICIDE DISCLOSURE**", the fumigant "**FACT SHEET**" and "**To Bag Or Not To Bag... *That is the question.***" information sheets.

Gas Company procedures change often and you should contact the Termite Company or call A1 Fumigation at (562)866-7535 to verify the correct procedures for your fumigation. The gas must be turned off by the Gas Company prior to the fumigation and you will need to call them to "restore" your service. Any repairs or modifications necessary to restore your service will be at your expense.

The **OCCUPANTS FUMIGATION NOTICE AND PESTICIDE DISCLOSURE** is provided to the owner or owner's agent and tenant of the premises for which the work is to be done. If the premises for which the work is to be performed is a multiple family dwelling consisting of more than 4 units, the owner/owner's agent shall receive notification and other notices shall be posted in heavily frequented, highly visible areas including, but not limited to, all mailboxes, manager's apartment, in all laundry rooms and community rooms. Complexes with fewer than 5 units will have each affected unit notified. The notice shall be provided at least 48 hours prior to the application unless the fumigation follows inspection by less than 48 hours in at least one of the following ways; (1) first class mail (2) posting in a conspicuous place on the real property or by (3) personal delivery. The notice must be signed and on the property when the crew arrives or faxed to (562) 866-0286 before 5:00 PM the day before the fumigation is scheduled.

The following **PREPARATIONS** are necessary and must be done prior to the fumigation crew arrival by the owner, owner's agent or occupant/tenant.

1. If fumigation procedures will require access to your neighbor's yard it is the responsibility of the owner/agent to properly notify and obtain permission to pass including but not limited to the possibility of plant damage. The safety of pets, animals (including strays) and our crews depend on precautions taken by owners/agents, tenants and neighbors. Prior to the fumigation process, it will be necessary for you to close off any open access to the sub area to prevent pets from entering & remove all animals from the property or the job may be cancelled.

2. The fumigator will exercise due care but assumes no responsibility for damage to shrubbery, vines plants, plumbing, electrical, roof or other damage that may occur during the fumigation process. We recommend you take any steps you feel necessary to prevent any damage to your property. Tree branches, climbing vines attached to walls, fences and roofs must be removed or trimmed with 18 inches clearance from the structure to be fumigated. Potted plants, yard items and debris must be moved away from exterior walls, patios and porch areas. Soak the soil at least 12 inches from the foundation outward. Turn off controllers for security systems, air conditioners, night lights and sprinklers.

3. To prevent exposure of food and other commodities to gas fumigant during the structural fumigation, all items such as but not limited to food, feed, drugs and medicines (including food items in freezers and refrigerators) must be removed from the structure being fumigated or be properly sealed in approved protective bags (as instructed on the "**TO BAG OR NOT TO BAG... *That is the question.***" sheet provided). Fumigation crews will not bag or re-bag these items. Any unbagged or improperly bagged items will be considered waste and removed from the structure. The owner/occupant will be responsible for disposal and replacement of these items. Structural fumigants are colorless and odorless gases and they do not affect dried and cured paint. You may leave items such as water beds, dishes, utensils, linens, toys and unopened factory sealed glass or metal containers of food inside the structure during the fumigation.

4. Remove people, pets, plants, mattresses and pillows enveloped in waterproof covers (baby mattresses), and any other unusual items you value. **AUTOMOBILES and BOATS** must be removed from garages and carports or left open (including the trunk) for visual inspection and aeration.

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Procedures for leaving the structure— The fumigation crews have several stops per day and everyone would like for them to be on time. They can not leave any job before it is done, so please be ready for them when they arrive. You could be the one waiting because someone was not prepared.

When the fumigation crew arrives— take a moment to discuss with the licensee any unique, fragile or sensitive condition that pertains to your fumigation, such as an emergency phone number, location of your gas meter, electrical circuit breakers and water shut off. Other precautions may include structural integrity problems such as roofing, rain gutters, antennas, solar panels, skylights, satellite dishes and landscape. Because there is no way to predict if any damage might occur during the fumigation process, the fumigator assumes no liability for incidental damages.

Connecting Structures??—The owner/agent or occupant should advise the fumigation crew about the presence of any construction elements, conduits, drains, or vacuum systems that could allow passage of the fumigant from the structure to be fumigated to any adjacent or adjoining structure(s), thereby connecting them.

ACCESS; KEYS; SECURITY;

ACCESS to all rooms, garages, sheds and storage compartments (including safes) is mandatory. A "spare" set of **KEYS**, controllers or other access will be necessary during different procedures of fumigation. **KEYS** and controllers will be returned after the property is certified safe for re entry. If access is not provided, forced entry or removal of locks will be necessary to comply with this regulation. During the fumigation, all doors and entrances will be secured by secondary locks, chains or nailed shut, however, the fumigator does not provide on site **SECURITY** and does not assume any responsibility in case of vandalism or breaking and entering. We recommend the owner or occupant to provide security/guard and contact your insurance agent to verify that you have insurance coverage to protect against damage or vandalism to your property.

The typical structural fumigation procedure would be;

DAY ONE Depending on the construction of the building, the structure may be covered with a tarp or the doors and windows may be sealed with tape or a plastic sheet. The building will remain sealed for 12 or more hours depending on the specifics of the job.

DAY TWO After the tarp or tape is removed, the fumigator will start the aeration process.

DAY THREE Once the dwelling has been thoroughly aerated and tested safe to re enter, the **Re-entry Notice** needed for the gas company will be posted on your building. (KEEP THE NOTICE FOR GAS COMPANY)

** Remember to call the gas company on **DAY ONE** to restore the gas service after 12 noon on **DAY THREE**.
Sometimes they can not restore service until the following day during the busy season.
You may not have gas service on **DAY THREE**.

The contractor shall not be liable, as to the completion of the work, for any delay which may be caused by reason or on account of inclement weather conditions, any strike of workmanship, unavoidable accidents, inability to secure materials or to use materials in the performance of the work by reason of laws or regulations of the State of California, or any other circumstance beyond their control. No such delay shall be deemed a default on the part of the contractor.

The owner or agent may reschedule the fumigation without penalty prior to our crew arrival by calling our office at (562) 866-7535 and faxing confirmation to (562) 866-0286.

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