



# Fumigation Checklist

Procedure for

## Sulfuryl Fluoride Fumigation (Vikane™)

For Safe and Effective Fumigation, the following steps will be necessary prior to fumigation:

- All foods, beverages, drugs, and medicines, both prescription and over-the-counter, must be removed from the structure prior to fumigation. This includes food inside refrigerators and freezers, pet food, toothpaste, mouthwash, etc.
- PG&E will shut off all utility gas service to the structure prior to the fumigation. Owner must contact PG&E three-to-four days in advance to have the service turned back on. Owner must show Safe for Re-Entry sign or PG&E will not reinstate gas service.
- Electricity must be available, as it will be required to run fans during the fumigation.
- Remove all mattresses and pillows with waterproof covers, such as "Can't Wet" mattresses for sickrooms, or remove the covers. Remove all baby mattresses.
- All people must leave and living things must be removed from your home, such as pets, including fish aquarium, and growing plants
- Shut off automatic switch controls for appliances and lighting systems that will be included in the space to be fumigated.
- Unlock and open all drawers and interior doors, including garage, utility and storerooms, closets, cabinets, cupboards, chests, safes, etc., to facilitate rapid circulation and aeration.
- At least one window per room must be opened.
- Extinguish all sources of heat (hot water heaters, ranges, wall heaters, etc.), fireplaces or wood stoves should not be used the day prior to fumigation.
- Unplug all heating elements (heaters, pianos, organs, etc.).
- Open all openings into crawl spaces of attics and subfloors.
- Remove all firearms.
- Remove Antennas, satellite dishes, weather vanes, chimney stacks, etc., from roof. If not removed, there will be additional charges to wrap around antenna. Nor-Cal Pest Control will not be responsible for realignment of satellite dishes.
- Remove all fences and plants attached to structure, cut back plants, bushes, trees, and ivy at least one-to-two feet from foundation of structure to avoid damage to plants.
- Pull back all decorative bark and gravel at least one-to-two feet from foundation.
- Thoroughly wet the soil the day before fumigation at least one foot outward from foundation to help protect plants and provide a better seal keeping fumigant from escaping.
- Lower all awnings attached to the structure.
- Cars left inside garage must have all windows and trunk opened.
- The law requires all buildings be locked during a fumigation. Please make key arrangements with Nor-Cal Pest Control prior to fumigation date.
- Turn off all air conditioning units.
- Are you aware of any conduits, pipes, common drains, air ducts, central vacuum systems, or any other construction elements that would allow the passage of a fumigant from the structure to be fumigated to any other adjacent or adjoining structures?

## Notice

- ◆ We suggest you notify nearby neighbors of the date of fumigation and to keep pets away during the fumigation. Close off any open access to the subarea to prevent pets from entering.
- ◆ The roof structure of the building must be walked on and some damage may occur. In the case of old, brittle wood shingles or tile, there is always the possibility of some breakage. Plants, including vines and trellises, that are close to the building to allow for proper sandbagging of the tarps may be damaged. Where masking tape is used, some painted surfaces, although they appear in good condition, will chip or peel off the undercoating if it was not properly prepared. Due to age and condition of chimneys and roof vents, avoiding damage may not be possible.
- ◆ In case of strong winds or rain, the fumigation may have to be postponed to a later date.
- ◆ During the fumigation and aeration procedure, Nor-Cal Pest Control does not provide a guard for security of your property and will not be held responsible for vandalism, theft, or breaking and entering.
- ◆ The washing of dishes, pots, pans, silverware, etc., will not be necessary, as the fumigant does not leave a residue.
- ◆ Upon completion of fumigation, Nor-Cal Pest Control will aerate the building thoroughly and check it with gas-detecting equipment until structure is safe for re-occupancy. There will be a notice on the front door indicating time and date for safe re-entry. (Please keep this notice to show PG&E)
- ◆ I have read this notice and preparation check list and understand my responsibility is to have all prep work completed before the fumigation crew arrives. If items have to be completed by Nor-Cal Pest Control, an additional charge will be added. In case of cancellations or postponement by owner, there will be a \$250<sup>00</sup> charge unless seventy-two hours notice is received by Nor-Cal Pest Control.