

Red Deer County



AGRICULTURE SERVICES STRYCHNINE PROGRAM

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Due to Health Canada's decision to cancel the registration of 2% Strychnine used to control Richardson ground squirrels, Strychnine will only be available for purchase from the County until March 4, 2022 while supplies last.

Red Deer County distributes 2% Liquid Strychnine Concentrate to qualified landowners who have a severe infestation of RGS (1 hole per 4 strides walking or 20% crop damage in a 100 metre strip) on agricultural use land.

The program runs each spring (March – end of June) as baiting is most effective in early spring when food supply for RGS is limited and before reproduction has occurred.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE:

- Must be a Red Deer County Agricultural Producer / Landowner
- Must be used to control a RGS infestation on agricultural land
- Cannot be used where swift fox, burrowing owl or any species at risk live
- Farmers must sign a 2% Liquid Strychnine Concentrate purchase and use agreement and attend a short training session prior to receiving the product
- Purchases are limited to:
 - A minimum purchase of 1/4 case (6 bottles) per person per purchase
 - A maximum of 2 cases (48 bottles) per person per purchase
- Must follow all label recommendations or be subject to fines from PMRA

Note: Provincial Pest Inspectors may inspect your property to ensure that you are complying with all the label directions and conditions of use and registration

DISTRIBUTION

Please call Agriculture Services at 403.342.8654 to book a strychnine purchase appointment. Cost: \$12 per bottle, price subject to change. Producers must provide their own grain for baiting. 1 case (24 bottles) treats approximately 1,600 holes.

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