

# Chlorpyrifos reassessment outcomes

The NZ EPA (Environmental Protection Authority) announced on 10 July 2025 the outcome of its reassessment of the organophosphate insecticide chlorpyrifos.

Following the reassessment, the EPA decision-making committee has revoked approvals for all chlorpyrifos-containing substances, with phase-out periods varying by product. A Notice of Direction has been issued prohibiting use and requiring disposal of these substances from specified dates.

## Affected product:

### Toppel 500

Ravensdown Toppel 500 (EPA approval number HSR000224)

## Key dates:

### 8 January 2026

Approval to import and manufacture Toppel 500 will be revoked.

### 8 July 2026

Use of Toppel 500 will be prohibited. The substance must be disposed of at the owner's expense.

### Use banned in publicly accessible spaces

Effective 8 July 2025, chlorpyrifos-containing products—including Toppel 500—must not be used in publicly accessible areas such as parks, playgrounds, sports fields, reserves, berms, and roadside vegetation. Products sold after this date must include documentation explaining this restriction.

You can find out more information on the EPA website.

