This office is advised of the official position of the Departments of Health, Education, and Welfare; U.S. Public Health Service; and Food and Drug Administration as related to the use of DDVP - Vapona Insecticide Resin Strips.

Official studies on the use of these strips show that under favorable conditions, residues of DDVP in exposed prepared foods will range up to .5ppm. Such contamination would constitute adulteration of food under the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. FDA has advised the Pesticide Regulations Division, ARS, U.S.D.A., that the label for these strips should include a specific statement, “Do Not use in Kitchens, Restaurants or areas where food is prepared or served.”

Based upon the above information, this office has no alternative other than to PROHIBIT the use of DDVP Vapona Strips in food service establishments, food processing plants, millhouses, milk plants, and other food preparation and service areas. (Public Health Laws, Code of West Virginia, Chapter 16, Article 7, Section 2).

References

History

Attachments