

# Pesticide Use Authorization (PUA) Approval Matrix

This table was created by the UC Systemwide Pesticide Oversight Committee as a supplement to the proposed Presidential Policy on Integrated Pest Management (IPM). Please direct any questions to [ehs@ucop.edu](mailto:ehs@ucop.edu).

PUA Type	Description	Integrated Pest Management Committee (IPMC) Review	PUA Approval Time	Eligible Tiers		
				Green	Yellow	Red
<b>Automatic</b>	Preferred when the IPMC wants no oversight of the pesticide use other than a one-time designation to permit this use in the local Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Plan.	Once - only a one-time decision to include the approval in the IPM Plan.	Instantaneous	Y <sup>1</sup>	Y <sup>2</sup>	N
<b>Generic</b>	Allows for automated PUA approval in the PUA Platform. The template has general parameters of use.	Annually - IPMC reviews and approves on an annual basis.	Instantaneous	Y	Y	Y <sup>3</sup>
<b>Specific</b>	Requires explicit parameters necessitated by the particular case. Multiple treatments can be performed over time under a single Specific PUA.	Each Specific PUA is approved separately by the IPMC.	Days - Weeks	Y	Y	Y - Required <sup>3</sup>
<b>Emergency</b>	A pest emergency is one in which the pesticide treatment cannot be planned more than 3 days in advance.	Initial review can be performed by the IPM Coordinator. Post application reviewed by the IPMC.	Hours - Days	Y <sup>4</sup>	Y <sup>4</sup>	Y <sup>4</sup>

1. Green-tiered pesticides, by default, are eligible for an Automatic PUA unless the IPMC decides differently.
2. An Automatic PUA is allowed for Yellow-tiered pesticides if approved by the IPMC in the IPM Plan.
3. A Specific PUA is required for Red-tiered pesticides unless the IPMC has established a Generic PUA for the particular Red-tiered pesticide.
4. When Automatic or Generic PUAs can apply, Emergency PUAs likely will not be requested.