

## Microbes Registration Aid

If your fertilizing material product label guarantees microbes, the following is required:

1. Verification of the number of viable units guaranteed on the label (microbes per cubic centimeter, milliliter or gram). You must submit one of the following as verification:

a) Laboratory/Certificate of Analysis with final product name that lists each genus and species of microbe being guaranteed with corresponding number of viable units of microbes.

b) Laboratory/Certificate of Analysis for the microbial ingredient (must include name of input on Certificate) and the formulation of your product in order to verify how the final guarantee was calculated.

Note: The analysis results shall be no more than five (5) years old at the time of registration/renewal approval.

2. Written description of a generally accepted laboratory method(s) that was used to both quantify and identify the viable units of the microbes claimed.

### Label Requirements

1. Expiration date
2. Storage conditions
3. Name of genus and species of each microbe
4. Number of viable units of microbe per cc, ml or gram

### Label Format

1. If the product is a **Beneficial Substance - Chemical/Biological**, add the name of each genus and species with corresponding viable units under the "CONTAINS BENEFICIAL SUBSTANCE" heading. For example:

CONTAINS BENEFICIAL SUBSTANCE

*Bacillus subtilis*.....3.90 x 10<sup>6</sup> CFU/mL

2. If the product is a combination product that **guarantees nutrients with beneficial substance section**, add the name of each genus and species with corresponding viable units under the ALSO CONTAINS BENEFICIAL SUBSTANCE heading. For example:

ALSO CONTAINS BENEFICIAL SUBSTANCE

*Bacillus subtilis*.....3.90 x 10<sup>6</sup> CFU/mL

3. If the product is a **Beneficial Substance-Physical** with additional ingredients or a combination product that **guarantees nutrients with an ingredient list**, add each genus and species with corresponding viable units to the ingredient list. For example: "Ingredients: Coco coir, peat moss, perlite, *bacillus subtilis* (3.9 x 10<sup>6</sup>

CFU/mL)".

4. For a **Beneficial Substance-Physical** product, the viable units must be consistent with the volume measurement (per cc or ml).

~Refer to [Section 2304 of the California Code of Regulations](#)

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