

In Title 3, California Code of Regulations, Division 4, adopt:

Chapter 8. Industrial Hemp Cultivation

Article 1. Registration of Industrial Hemp Growers

§ 4900. Registration Fees.

(a) The Secretary establishes the following fees for registration of growers of industrial hemp for commercial purposes and seed breeders to be submitted along with the registration application:

(1) Prior to cultivation, a fee of nine-hundred dollars (\$900) per applicant shall be submitted with the application to the commissioner.

(2) A separate registration is required for each county in which the applicant intends to grow industrial hemp.

(3) This registration is valid for one year from date of issuance by the commissioner.

(b) The Secretary establishes the following fees for registration renewal of growers of industrial hemp for commercial purposes and seed breeders:

(1) Upon expiration of registration, a fee of nine-hundred dollars (\$900) per registrant shall be due to the commissioner in each county in which the applicant intends to continue to grow industrial hemp.

(2) (A) If the renewal fee is not fully paid within 30 days after expiration of registration, the registration is forfeited.

(B) The forfeited registration may be restored upon payment of any unpaid fee amount, plus a penalty of 15% of the unpaid fee amount, to the commissioner.

(C) The commissioner may waive the penalty upon receiving a signed statement from the registrant that the registrant did not cultivate industrial hemp during the period of nonregistration unless there is substantial evidence otherwise.

(3) Renewed registration is valid for one year from date of issuance of renewal by the commissioner.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 407, 483, and 81005, Food and Agricultural Code
Reference: Sections 81003, 81004, and 81005, Food and Agricultural Code