


The following table contains sections taken from various pesticide ordinances and bylaws across states. Generally, all ordinances and bylaws had a purpose, definition, guidelines, applicability, enforcement, and exemption sections. Additional sections include posting requirements for fertilizer use, and educational programming about fertilizer use.

Table 1 - Overview of Policy Contained in Fertilizer Ordinances

	Purpose	Authority	Applicability	Definitions	Guidelines for Application	Education	Enforcement / Penalties	Exemptions	Posting Requirements
Draft Policy	Included	Not Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Not Included	Included	Not Included
Brewster MA	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Not Included	Not Included
Harwich MA	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Not Included	Not Included
Barrington RI	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Not Included	Included	Included	Not Included
Portland ME	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included
Burlington VT	Included	Not Included	Not Included	Included	Not Included	Not Included	Included	Not Included	Included
Takoma Park MD	Included	Included	Not Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included
Florida	Included	Included	Included	Included	Included	Not Included	Included	Included	Not Included

Included in Regulations – 

Not Included in Regulations – 

Additional sections contained in at least two (2) town ordinances include:

- **Severability**, such that if any section of the ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unenforceable by any court, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of the ordinance.
- **Waiver**, which requires a waiver signed by city planner for a person who has already exhausted all reasonable options and is requesting use of a restricted pesticide.

Sections in town ordinances already contained within the RI general pesticide provisions include a list of restricted use and state limited use pesticides, as well as requirements for record keeping by applicators.

Most towns such as Brewster, Harwich, and Portland assign a local enforcement officer to carry out enforcement actions. The enforcement bodies in these cases are the building official, board of health, and the city manager respectively.