## Blue Hill Healthy Ecosystem Ordinance Waiver Application Procedure

## Guidelines for Identifying and Managing a Pest Emergency

- 1. Notice signs or symptoms of a pest emergency.
  - a. Refer to <a href="https://www.maine.gov/portal/about\_me/invasives.html">https://www.maine.gov/portal/about\_me/invasives.html</a> for help with identifying the pest.
- 2. If applying for a waiver, see the Waiver Application Form.
- 3. Submit the completed form to the Blue Hill Public Health Officer for approval to treat the invasive species with specific restricted pesticides.
- 4. If the property owner plans to apply the pesticide(s) themselves, they must follow all safety guidelines as noted on the pesticide label (see below for a sample pesticide label).
- 5. If the property owner hires a licensed pesticide applicator,
  - a. The property owner must get approval from the Public Health Officer before the applicator can proceed with the pesticide application.
  - b. The licensed applicator will take care of pesticide application(s), and cleanup of the site.
  - c. Note: Licensed pesticide applicators may be approved to apply pesticides not available to the homeowner.
- 6. The property owner posts Pesticide Application Notification Signs (see below) 48 hours before the application takes place and removes the signs 48 hours after the application has taken place.