

TIME TO TAKE INVENTORY by Jack Baker, H. V. Carter Co., Inc. Oakland

Along about this time every year, we and others like us, begin the tedious task of taking inventory. This is something that must be done in accordance with good business practice and to determine the value of merchandise and parts on hand and what has moved during the past year's operations.

Have you looked at your inventory lately? Do you plan to do so soon? It is good to establish a habit of checking what you have on hand, the age and condition and determine the value, depreciation, etc. It may be that some items should be classed as obsolete, in need of repair or complete replacement. While labor and replacement parts costs are so high and steadily increasing it might be more feasible to consider new and more modern and efficient equipment.

And, while we are measuring the physical values let's not overlook the inventory of blessings we enjoy living in a "free" country - the freedom of worship, the abundance of food, clothing and comforts of our homes and families, meeting in fellowship of our profession without fear of oppression or harassment - no one has yet been able to put a price on these assets with which we live each day.

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INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE - by Bob Livesey

Two proposed amendments to the California Administrative Code that should be of interest to the Golf Course Superintendent. It could cause some change in your operation if you use fenamiphos (Nemacur) or Chlorine Gas.

The proposed changes read as follows:

2458.9 Fenamiphos Restrictions. The following restrictions apply to all turf uses of fenamiphos (Nemacur)

(a) Only commercial turf grasses, such as golf courses, cemeteries, sod farms, industrial grounds, or parkways, may be treated with fenamiphos. Fenamiphos shall not be used to treat residential or institutional lawns or public recreation areas other than golf courses.

(b) Fenamiphos shall not be applied with a knapsack or similar equipment that is placed on the applicator's body.

(c) Fenamiphos shall be watered in immediately after it is applied with a minimum of one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) inch of water. Such water shall not be allowed to run off the treated area.

(d) Unprotected persons shall be kept out of areas being treated with fenamiphos until 24 hours after watering, as specified in subsection (c), is completed.