

## Worker Protection Standard (WPS) SELF-INSPECTION CHECKLIST

This checklist is designed for the owner of an agricultural establishment (farm, forest, nursery or green-house) who would like to self-evaluate their compliance with WPS. It is not a comprehensive list of the WPS requirements. Complete information on WPS is found in the EPA's, "The Worker Protection Standard for Agricultural Pesticides – How to Comply, What Employers Need To Know," which can be obtained from Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes Natural Resources Pesticide Program P.O. Box 278 Pablo, MT 59855

### PESTICIDE SAFETY TRAINING (HTC manual, pp. 25-28)

Have **handlers** received pesticide

safety training? Yes  No

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How is training documented? Certification Card  Handler Card  Other

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Is training conducted by a certified applicator

or a qualified instructor? Yes  No

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Conducted By: \_\_\_\_\_

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Is training material used in

compliance with WPS? Yes  No

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Have **workers** received pesticide

safety training? Yes  No

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### CENTRAL LOCATION (HTC manual, pp. 23-24)

Is the required information displayed

at the central location? Yes  No

- Application List
- Safety Poster
- Emergency Info
- Legible
- Accessible to Workers and Handlers





Is each decontamination site equipped with:

- Soap
- Water
- Single-Use Towels

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### Handler site

Is the handler decontamination site easily accessible to the handler?

Yes

No

- Located at Mixing Site
- Within ¼ Mile of Treated Area

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Is each decontamination site equipped with:

- Soap
- Water
- Single-Use Towels
- Change of Clothes
- Immediate Access to Eye-Flush When Label Requires Protective Eyewear?

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Clean place to remove PPE?

Yes

No

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Provisions of soap, clean towels, and enough water to wash thoroughly after removing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)?

Yes

No

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### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)(HTC manual, pp. 77-79)

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Label-required PPE provided?

Yes

No

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Cleaned and maintained?

Yes

No

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Used correctly?

Yes

No

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Employer provide instructions on use and fit test?

Yes

No

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Inspected each day before use?

Yes

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Adequate storage for PPE & personal clothing away from pesticide storage and use areas?

Yes

No

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Steps taken to prevent heat illness?

Yes

No

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Proper information provided to people who clean or launder PPE?

Yes

No

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Policy in place to prevent PPE from being taken home?

Yes

No

## APPLICATION AND MONITORING (HTC manual, pp. 73-76)

Do handlers receive proper information about label requirements related to safe use? Yes  No

- Signal Word
- Human Hazard Statement
- PPE Requirements
- First Aid
- Environmental Precautions

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Are handlers provided access to labeling during handling? Yes  No

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Are handlers trained to safely and correctly use all equipment for handling pesticides? Yes  No

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Only trained and equipped handler(s) in application area? Yes  No

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When handling “skull & crossbones” pesticides, is monitoring done every 2 hours? Yes  No

How is it monitored:

- By Sight
- Voice Contact
- Both

### GREENHOUSE:

If a fumigant is being applied, is the handler monitored? Yes  No

- By Another Handler
- Constant Visual Contact or Voice Contact

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Does person monitoring have immediate access to label-required PPE? Yes  No

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Was ventilation criteria met (when required by the label) before handlers/workers were allowed to enter the treated area? Yes  No

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**EQUIPMENT SAFETY (HTC manual, pg. 77)**

Is equipment inspected & repaired before each day of use for leaks, clogging, damaged parts?      Yes       No

Preformed by handler?      Yes       No

If you would like more information about the EPA Worker Protection Standard, Contact:

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