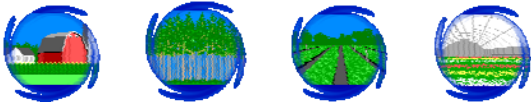


WHO NEEDS TO COMPLY?

The Worker Protection Standard (WPS) applies if you:

Own or manage a farm, forest, nursery, or greenhouse where pesticides are used in the production of agricultural plants.



Family Farms/Establishments

If you are the owner of the farm, forest, nursery, or greenhouse and you or members of your immediate family do all of the work, you must comply with the requirements in this guide.

Under the WPS, immediate family includes only spouse, children, stepchildren, foster children, parents, stepparents, foster parents, brothers, and sisters.

REQUIREMENTS AND PROVISIONS FOR OWNERS OF FAMILY FARM/ESTABLISHMENTS AND MEMBERS OF THEIR IMMEDIATE FAMILY

Information Exchange

1. As the owner of a family farm/establishment, you must make sure any commercial pesticide handler is aware of:

- Specific location and description of all areas on the family farm/establishment where pesticides will be applied or where a restricted entry interval (REI) will be in effect while the commercial handler is on the establishment;
- Restrictions on entering those areas.

2. Before a commercial handler applies any pesticide on your family farm/establishment, the handler must make sure that you, the owner of the establishment, is aware of:

- Location and description of area to be treated;
- Time and date of application;
- Product name, EPA registration number, active ingredient(s), and REI;
- Whether the product label requires both oral warnings and treated area posting;
- All other safety requirements on labeling for workers or other people.

Restrictions During Handling

- Use the personal protective equipment and other work attire listed on the pesticide labeling.
- Follow exceptions to personal protective equipment as listed on pesticide labeling for the task being performed.

Restrictions During Applications

Make sure that each pesticide is applied so that it does not contact, either directly or through drift, anyone (including you and members of your immediate family), except appropriately trained and equipped handlers.

Make sure that you, your family members, and all other persons, except correctly trained and equipped handlers, are kept out of areas immediately around the area being treated during certain pesticide applications in nurseries and greenhouses.

Restrictions During Restricted-Entry Intervals

- When two (or more) pesticides are applied at the same time, and have different REIs, make sure that you and your family members follow the longer restricted-entry interval.
- No-contact early entry.
- Short-term, limited contact, agricultural emergency, or specially excepted early entry (see explanation that follows).

Requirements for short-term, limited contact, agricultural emergency, or specially excepted early entry

During an REI, if you or a member of your immediate family must enter a treated area and make contact with a treated surface, you must:

- Wait a least 4 hours after the pesticide application is completed before entering the treated area, *and*
- Wait at least until any inhalation exposure level listed on the product labeling has been reached or any WPS ventilation criteria have been met, *and*
- Obey the time limitation of 1 hour in 24 hours, if short-term (non-hand labor) tasks are being performed or 8 hours in 24 hours, if limited-contact early-entry tasks are being performed, *and*
- Wear the personal protective equipment specified on the pesticide labeling for early-entry tasks, *and*
- Follow any other restrictions specified in any exception under which the early entry takes place, *and*
- Follow any other restrictions specified in the pesticide labeling for early entry.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Quick Reference Guide Web Links

EPA Worker Protection Standard Topic Page
<http://www.epa.gov/agriculture/twor.html>
WPS Publications Page
<http://www.epa.gov/agriculture/awor.html>
Revised (2005) HTC Manual
<http://www.epa.gov/agriculture/htc.html>

U.S. EPA Resources and Contacts

National Agriculture Compliance Assistance Center

901 N. 5th Street
Kansas City, KS 66101
Toll-free: 1-888-663-2155
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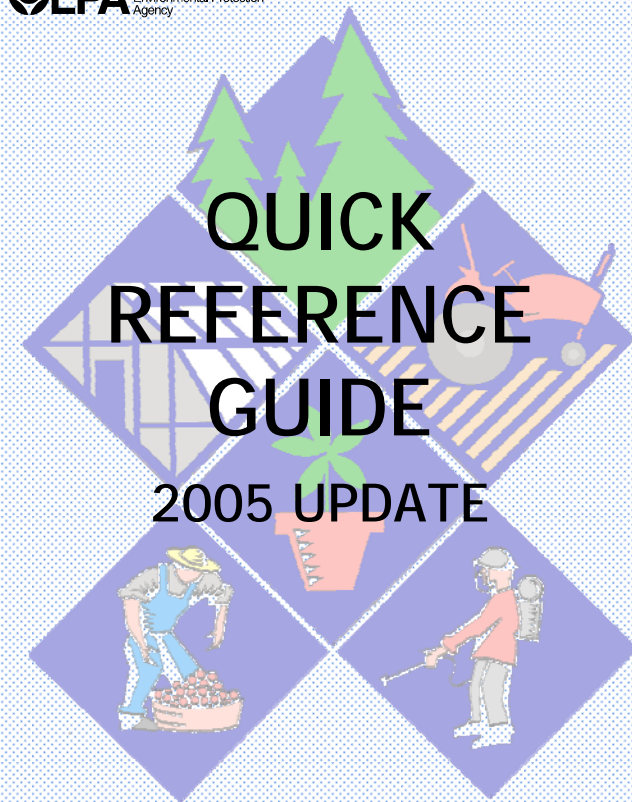
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TO THE WORKER PROTECTION STANDARD (WPS) for Owners of Family Farms/Establishments and Their Immediate Family

The Quick Reference Guide outlines what is necessary for you to comply with the WPS. The WPS is a Federal regulation designed to protect agricultural workers (people involved in the production of agricultural plants) and pesticide handlers (people mixing, loading, or applying pesticides or doing other tasks involving direct contact with pesticides). This guide presents the requirements for family establishments. It does not include exceptions that may permit you to do less or options that may involve different requirements. The revised (2005) *How to Comply With the Worker Protection Standard For Agricultural Pesticides* has more information about your responsibilities, exceptions and options.