

Pesticides: A 12-Step Code

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1. ALWAYS read the label before using sprays or dusts. Note warnings and cautions each time before opening the container.
2. Keep sprays and dusts out of the reach of children, pets and irresponsible people. They should be stored outside of the home, away from food and feed, and under lock and key.
3. ALWAYS store sprays and dusts in original containers and keep them tightly closed.
4. NEVER smoke while spraying or dusting.
5. Avoid inhaling sprays or dusts. When directed on the label, wear protective clothing and masks.
6. Do not spill sprays or dusts on the skin or clothing. If they are spilled, remove contaminated clothing IMMEDIATELY and wash thoroughly.
7. Wash hands and face and change to clean clothing after spraying or dusting. Also wash clothing each day before reuse.
8. Cover food and water containers when treating around livestock or pet areas. Do not contaminate fish ponds.
9. Use separate equipment for applying hormone-type herbicides in order to avoid accidental injury to susceptible plants.
10. ALWAYS dispose of empty containers so that they pose no hazard to humans, animals or valuable plants.
11. Observe label directions and cautions to keep residues on edible portions of plants within the limits permitted by law.
12. If symptoms of illness occur during or shortly after spraying or dusting, call a physician or get the patient to a hospital immediately.

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"Turf Management" is a complete and authoritative book written by Professor H. Burton Musser and sponsored by the USGA. The author is Professor Emeritus of Agronomy at Pennsylvania State University.