



# Take Home Points !!!

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# Which uses are covered?

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- Produce a crop on a
  - Farm
  - Forest
  - Nursery
  - Greenhouse
- Use a pesticide with WPS on label



# Which uses are not covered?

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- ❑ Pastures or rangeland
- ❑ Control of vertebrate pests such as rodents
- ❑ Attractants or repellents in traps
- ❑ Portions of harvested plants (such as grapes)



# Who does the WPS protect?

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- Workers – employed (for any type of compensation)
  - Weeding
  - Harvesting
  - Watering
- Handlers – mixing, loading or applying



# Who is exempt?

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- Owners and members of immediate family
  - Spouse
  - Children
  - Stepchildren
  - Foster children
  - Parents
  - Brothers and sisters



# WPS in a nutshell

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- ❑ Information at a central location
- ❑ Pesticide safety training for employees
- ❑ Decontamination site (s)
- ❑ Emergency assistance
- ❑ Notice of applications



# Information at a central location

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- Must be displayed when;
  - Application within 30 days
  - Workers or handlers are present
- Pesticide safety poster
- Emergency information
- Pesticide application information

# PROTECT YOURSELF FROM PESTICIDES

## PROTEJASE DE LOS PESTICIDAS



Workers should wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants, and a hat to protect themselves from pesticides.

Pesticides may be on plants and soil, in irrigation water, or drifting from nearby applications.

Los pesticidas pueden estar en las plantas o en el suelo, en el agua de riego, o arrastrados por el viento cuando se aplican cerca.



There are Federal rules to protect workers. These rules require that your employer train you in pesticide safety. Estas reglas ayudan para proteger a los trabajadores. Las reglas Federales que se piden de proteger a los trabajadores de pesticidas.



Wash your hands and face before eating, drinking, smoking, changing gear or clothes, or using the toilet. Lavarse las manos y la cara antes de comer, beber, fumar, cambiar el equipo o la ropa, y antes de usar el baño o el retrete.

### IN AN EMERGENCY EN UNA EMERGENCIA

If pesticides get on your skin, clothes, or eyes, wash with clean water.

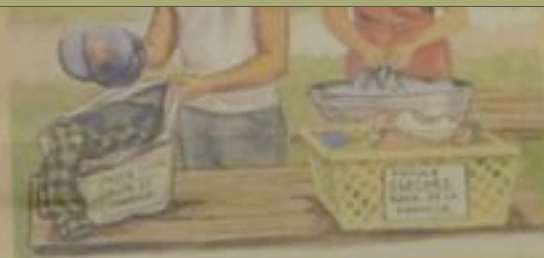
Si pesticidas se caen sobre la piel, la ropa o los ojos, lavarlos con agua limpia.



Wear a hat or cap, wear a long-sleeved shirt, long pants, and shoes and socks to protect yourself from pesticides. Usar sombrero o gorra, camisa de manga larga, pantalones largos, y zapatos y calcetines para protegernos de los pesticidas.



After work, shower or wash your body with soap and water; shampoo your hair.



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Wash work clothes separately from other clothes before wearing them again.

Lave su ropa de trabajo separada de su otra ropa sucia antes de ponérsela nuevamente.

The nearest emergency medical facility (hospital) is:

El centro de emergencia médica (hospital) más cercano es:

Name

Nombre

Street

Calle

City

Ciudad

Telephone

Teléfono



For more information on pesticides call:

Para más información sobre pesticidas llame:

- 1-800-858-7378; or
- State Lead Agency or Authority; Agencia o autoridad estatal pertinente;

Tel: ( )



is poster, call GEMPLER'S, Inc. at 800-382-8473. Use Order No. P928 . . . price is \$1.50 ea.



# Application info

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- Location and description of treated area
- Product name
- EPA Reg.#
- Active ingredient
- REI
- Time and date of application



# Pesticide safety information

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- ❑ Workers must be trained before entering treated area
- ❑ Handlers must be trained before performing any handling task
- ❑ Trained every five years



# Who can conduct training?

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- Certified pesticide applicators
- Extension educators
- Designated trainers
  - Santiago Tijerina of Transition Resources
    - **FREE** worker training
    - (317)547-1924
    - [stijerina@transitionresources.org](mailto:stijerina@transitionresources.org)



# Verification of training

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- WPS cards or signed statement in file



**WORKER PROTECTION STANDARD TRAINING  
WORKER VERIFICATION CARD**  
W1162059

Name (print)

Nombre (en letra de molde)

Trainee Signature (Firma de la Persona Entrenada)

has completed the Agricultural WORKER pesticide safety training as required by the Federal Worker Protection Standard.  
ha completado el entrenamiento para los TRABAJADORES Agrícolas sobre la seguridad en el uso de los pesticidas como lo exige el Estandar Federal para la Protección de los Trabajadores Agrícolas.



**WORKER PROTECTION STANDARD TRAINING  
HANDLER VERIFICATION CARD**  
H0407080

Name (print)

Nombre (en letra de molde)

Trainee Signature (Firma de la Persona Entrenada)

has completed the Pesticide HANDLER and WORKER safety training as required by the Federal Worker Protection Standard.  
ha completado el entrenamiento para los MANEJADORES de Pesticidas y Trabajadores Agrícolas sobre la seguridad en el uso de los pesticidas como lo exige el Estandar Federal para la Protección de los Trabajadores Agrícolas.

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# Decontamination site - **Workers**

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- Water – 1 gallon per worker
- Soap – detergent
- Paper towels
  - Within  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile
  - 30 days after end of REI



# Decontamination site - **Handler**

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- 3 gallons per handler
- Soap – detergent
- Paper towels
- Change of clothes
  - Within  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile



# Emergency assistance

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- Transportation to medical facility
- Application information
  - Product name, EPA Reg.#, active ingredients
  - First aid statements
  - How pesticide was being used
  - Circumstances of exposure



# Special situations

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- Some labels may require both oral and posted warnings
- All greenhouse applications require double notification
- Skull and crossbones (Paraquat)
  - Check every 2 hours



# WPS vineyard questions

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- Q. Are small vineyards exempted from WPS?
- A. No. Only exemption is for owners and immediate family members



# Questions

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- Q. Do I have to notify neighbors about applications and WPS REIs?
- A. No. WPS requirements extend only to worker and handler employees.



# Questions

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- Q. What constitutes compensation?
  
- A. The EPA intends that compensation should be interpreted very broadly.
  - Discounts for picking grapes **are** compensation.



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  - Joe Becovitz – (765)494-1589--regulatory
  - Fred Whitford – (765)494-1284--extension
  - Santiago Tijerina – (317)547-1924--free training