



WORKER PROTECTION FARMS/FORESTS/GREENHOUSES/NURSERIES CHECKLIST FOR COMPREHENSIVE INSPECTIONS

REMINDER FOR INSPECTORS: Present Credentials, Issue Notice of Inspection. For Comprehensive inspection use Worker Protection Core Checklist in addition to this checklist.

NAME/ADDRESS OF AGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENT TYPE OF ESTABLISHMENT (Circle one) FARM NURSERY GREENHOUSE FOREST	DATE OF INSPECTION: <hr/> NAME OF PESTICIDE/ EPA REG. NO. <hr/> CROP: <hr/> NUMBER OF WORKERS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT <hr/> LOCATION OF WORKERS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT:
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*** NOTE: Page numbers in parentheses refer to Worker Protection Field Inspection Pocket Guide.**

One or more activities may be ongoing on an establishment, inspectors should use the appropriate section of the checklist and check mark appropriate boxes. List pesticides in the storage shed with WPS label on a separate sheet.

INFORMATION THAT MUST BE DISPLAYED AT A CENTRAL LOCATION (The inspectors, should respond to the questions in this section by observing the central location.)

1. What required information is displayed at the Central Location? (p. 43-45)

Application List? Yes No
Safety Poster? Yes No
Emergency information? Yes No

Is it Legible? Yes No
Accessible to Workers/handlers? Yes No
Up-to-date? Yes No

 (In the forest, this location may be near the forest where workers and handlers gather or pass by.)

2. Does the Application list include (p. 45): *The location and description of area?* Yes No

Product name, EPA Reg. No., and active ingredient(s) of the pesticide? Yes No

Time and date the pesticide is scheduled to be applied? Yes No

Restricted-entry (REI) for the pesticide? Yes No

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3. Is the pesticide safety poster the EPA safety poster? Yes No

IF the answer is no, than check if any WPS required information is missing. If possible take a photograph of the poster and compare it with EPA safety poster. (p. 43-44)

4. Does the **emergency information**, include, the name, telephone number and address of the nearest medical facility. (P. 45)

Yes No

5. Does the location and description of the treated area allow workers/handlers to distinguish the area from other areas on the establishment? (p. 24)

Yes No

IF APPLICATION IS ONGOING, INSPECTORS SHOULD VERIFY THE FOLLOWING HANDLER ACTIVITY THROUGH QUESTIONS OR OBSERVATIONS

6. Is the handler an employee of: The agricultural establishment? Commercial handling establishment?

List name, address and telephone no. of commercial handler establishment

7. Has the handler(s) been trained: Within the last 5 years as a WPS handler? Yes No
Is currently a certified applicator of restricted-use pesticides? Yes No
Has completed an approved pesticide train-the- trainer program? (p. 40-42) Yes No

State whether handlers have, A certification card? WPS-handler card? Other card?

a. Is card current? Yes No

b. When did training occur, and by whom? _____

c. What training materials were used for handlers? (p. 42)

WPS training materials developed by EPA? Equivalent material? Other?

8. If commercial pesticide handlers are applying the pesticide(s), how and when do they or their employers convey information to the agricultural employer? (p. 24)

Did the commercial handler informed the agricultural employer about:

The specific location and area(s) that are to be treated? Yes No

Time and date of application? Yes No

Product name, EPA Reg. No., active ingredients, restricted-entry interval for the pesticide? Yes No

Whether the pesticide labeling requires both oral warnings and treated-area posting? Yes No

Any other specific requirements on the labeling requirements? Yes No

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9. Did the handler receive information about the labeling requirements by the agricultural employer and have access to the pesticide labeling during the entire handling task? (P. 32) Yes No or
- a. Did the handler read the label? Yes No
10. How is the handler instructed on how to safely and correctly use all pesticide handling equipment? (P. 37)

INSPECTOR SHOULD VERIFY THE FOLLOWING THROUGH OBSERVATIONS OR QUESTIONS (Handlers)

11. Ask, what precautions does the agricultural employer/handler take during pesticide applications so as not to contact anyone directly or through drift?
- a. Was everyone except appropriately trained and equipped handlers kept out of areas being treated with pesticides? Yes No If anyone exposed, list names and designation. (P. 25)
- In **nurseries and greenhouses**, were the workers prohibited from entering the treated area and any required border area. (p. 26-28) Yes No
12. When handling a highly toxic pesticide or a **pesticide bearing the skull and crossbones** symbol on the label, how is the handler monitored: Once every 2 hours by sight? By voice communication? Not monitored? (P. 32)
13. **GREENHOUSE:** Did employer make sure that the ventilation criteria was met (when required by the label) before handlers/workers were allowed to enter the treated area? (p. 28-29) Yes No If answer is no, describe the incident.
14. **GREENHOUSE:** If a fumigant is being applied, is the handler monitored: By another handler By a worker Was it by: Constant visual contact? Voice contact? Not monitored?
15. According to the label of the pesticide being applied what PPE, if any, was the handler required to wear during application? (List PPE handler wore. P. 32-34)
- a. Ask, who cleans and maintains the PPE? Handler Somebody else .
- b. Observe if the PPE is correctly worn by the handlers for its intended use. (p. 32) Yes No
16. If handlers are using (1) closed system, (2) enclosed cab, (3) open cockpit, or (4) closed cockpit, was less than the label-specified PPE worn? If so, list PPE worn. (P. 34-37)
17. If the handler is using a product that requires protective eyewear, does the handler have:
- Immediate access to water for eye flushing?*
One pint of emergency eyeflush water in dispenser?
Eyeflush water at a decontamination site? (P. 46)

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18. Is the handler decontamination site easily accessible to the handler? (p.45-46) Yes No
Is it: *Within 1/4 mile from where the handler is mixing/applying pesticides?* *More than 1/4 mile?*
In the area being treated with pesticides?
- a. Is each decontamination site equipped with:
Soap? *Single-use towels?*
A clean change of clothing? *Sufficient water for entire body wash? (Suggested amount 3 gal/handler/day.)*
Running tap water? *Water in container?* (P. 46-47)
19. Do the handlers have a clean place to remove their PPE? Yes No

IF ANY AREA IS UNDER RESTRICTED-ENTRY INTERVALS (REI), THEN VERIFY THE FOLLOWING EARLY-ENTRY ACTIVITIES THROUGH QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS FOR EARLY-ENTRY WORKERS

20. Were any workers other than trained and equipped handlers in the treated area during application or the REI, or in contact with any treated surface such as soil, water, plant? (Document worker exposure) (p. 24)
21. How were the early-entry workers informed about application of the pesticide and any restricted entry interval? (Depending on the labeling of the pesticide.) Oral warning? Posted signs? Both?
If the warning signs are used, where are the signs posted? **Farms:** All entrances where workers usually enter? Each access road? Each border with any labor camp, adjacent to treated area?
Greenhouses: Were signs visible at all usual points of worker entry to the treated area? Yes No
22. If oral warning, when was the warning given? *Before the application of pesticide?* *After the application of pesticides?* *No oral warning given?* (P. 24)
23. How soon after application did the worker enter treated area? *At least 4 hours?* *after any inhalation exposure level listed on the label was reached?* *2 hours after the application?* (p. 30)
a. How long had they been working in the field? *2 hours* *No more than 1hr/24 hr* (p. 30)
24. Was there early entry into a treated area by workers under the following exceptions: (p. 30)
a. If short-term tasks:
Last less than 1 hour and did not involve hand labor?
Last more than 1 hour?
Involves hand labor?
- b. If an Agricultural emergency exception, what agency (State, Tribal, Federal) declared that circumstances exist that might cause an emergency on the establishment?
- c. What was the emergency? (p. 30)

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25. How does the agricultural employer ensure that all workers who enter a treated area for which a REI is in effect or had expired within 30 days, received pesticide safety training? (p. 38-40)
- Do they have: *A certification card* *WPS worker card?* *Other card?* *No card?*
- a. Who provides training? (p. 38-39) *Certified applicator?* *Trainer of certified applicators?*
Pesticide Handler? *Employer?* *No training provided?*
- b. What materials are used? (P. 42) *WPS Training material developed by EPA?* *Equivalent material?*
26. How has each early-entry worker been informed about the safety information and instructions on the labeling of the pesticide to which the REI applies? (P. 30-31)
- a. Did the agricultural employer assure the early entry worker was informed in a manner in which they could understand the information? (p.38)
27. How were they instructed to prevent, recognize, and give first aid for heat illness? (P. 34)
28. How did early entry workers receive instructions on how to correctly put on, use and take off PPE? (p. 32-33)
- a. When and who instructed the workers? (p. 31)
29. Is the treated area posted? (p. 23) Yes No *Can the sign be seen at all entrances to treated areas?*
At the entrance from the labor camps? *Was the EPA sign used?*
Was it legible? *Was it 14"x 16" (unless area too small for such size sign)?*
Posted during application and entire REI?
30. Were the workers provided PPE required by the pesticide labeling for early entry tasks? (list PPE used)(p. 32)
31. Is a decontamination site accessible to the early-entry workers? (p. 46) Yes No
Is it within 1/4 mile from where they are working? *More than 1/4 mile?*
Located in the area that remains under an REI?
32. Is it equipped with: *Sufficient water for routine washing?* *Emergency eyeflushing water?*
Soap? *Single-use towels?* (p. 46-47)

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33. If pesticide labeling requires protective eyewear, do the workers have: *Immediate* access to eyeflush water?
- Running water?*
Eyeflush dispenser? (p. 46)
34. Do the workers have a clean place to remove their PPE? Is that place equipped with soap, clean towels and water for thorough washing? (P. 46-47) Yes No
35. Are workers aware of central location, which contains the safety poster, emergency information and notice of pesticide applications? (P. 43) Yes No
36. Did site employer took any action to prevent or discourage any worker from complying with worker protection requirements (Such as use of PPE, decontamination site, and asking for emergency assistance)? (p. 49)

REMINDER FOR INSPECTOR: Provide Compliance assistance information at end of or during inspection.

COMMENTS:

Print Name and Title of Enforcement Official:

Enforcement Official Signature: _____

Date: