Pesticide Safety

Pesticide Poisoning

For humans, call the Nationwide Emergency Number at 800-222-1222.

This number will automatically connect you to the poison center nearest you. Personnel at this number will give first aid instructions and direct callers to treatment centers. For immediate emergency treatment or ambulance service, always call 911.

For pets, call the Animal Poison Control Center at 888-426-4435, or the Pet Poison Helpline at 800-213-6680. A consultation fee may apply.

Pesticide Spills

For information about cleaning up or otherwise dealing with non-emergency pesticide spills, you can contact the National Pesticide Information Center at 800-858-7378 and the pesticide manufacturer for SDS and label information.

For emergency pesticide spills, pesticide fires, or pesticide transportation accidents first call 911, then call your state agency who handles spill response.

- Illinois Emergency Management Agency 800-782-7860
- Indiana Department of Environmental Management 888-233-7745
- Iowa Department of Natural Resources 515-725-8694
- Kansas Department of Health and Environment 785-291-3333
- Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development 800-405-0101
- Minnesota Duty Officer 800-422-0798
- Missouri Department of Natural Resources 573-634-2436
- Ohio Environmental Protection Agency 800-282-9378

When federal notification is required, call the National Response Center at 800-424-8802.

Pesticide Use and Greenhouses, Chemigation, and Respirators

Before using any pesticide, always read the product label for mention of greenhouse, chemigation, and respirator restrictions. See the tables for Fungicides, Herbicides, Insecticides, and Nematicides.