

OKLAHOMA UNWANTED PESTICIDE DISPOSAL PROGRAM

SAFE TRANSPORT TIPS

Please Review Carefully!

INSPECT ALL UNWANTED PESTICIDES TO SEE THAT THEY ARE SECURELY PACKAGED Only transport containers that are secure. If the container is questionable and 5 gallons or smaller, carefully pack within another container for transport such as a plastic bucket or Rubbermaid container. If you have items larger than five gallons and are questionable contact Charles Luper OSU Pesticide Safety Education Program at (405) 744-5808 for transportation options before moving the containers.

WEAR THE PROTECTIVE CLOTHING AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (GOGGLES, GLOVES, RESPIRATOR, ETC.) DESCRIBED ON PRODUCT LABELS WHEN HANDLING PESTICIDES. At a minimum, wear a long sleeved shirt buttoned at the wrist, a pair of chemical-resistant gloves, preferably a chemically resistant apron, rubber boots, goggles and a hat.

LINE STORAGE AREA OF TRANSPORT VEHICLE WITH PLASTIC Line the storage area of the transport vehicle with plastic sheeting to contain any spillage that might occur and therefore simplify cleanup and decontamination. Do not transport pesticides in areas occupied by passengers. If at all possible transport to the site in the back of a pickup or alternately in the trunk of a car. Avoid exposure to humans and animals.

CARRY ABSORBENT MATERIAL If you are transporting liquid materials carry absorbent materials such as kitty litter in case of breakage or spillage. Have spill control materials available. For example, a 10-pound bag of commercially available safety absorbent, a shovel and a container for spilled material collected with the absorbent and contaminated soil may be useful in control and cleanup of a spill involving a small amount of material. Bring any spilled materials with you to the collection site for disposal.

BRACE CONTAINERS IN VEHICLE This will prevent unnecessary shifting which could result in container damage and leakage.

KEEP ALL CONTAINERS COVERED DURING TRANSPORT Loads hauled in an open pickup truck should be covered. All containers should be kept dry during transport. Loads in open vehicles such as pick-up trucks should be covered in the event of rainfall.

PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY You are responsible for any spillage, damage, subsequent cleanup and restoration that might occur while you are transporting the unwanted pesticides. The state and its contractors are not responsible for any spillage that occurs before the unwanted pesticides are accepted for transport at the collection site.

DRIVE DIRECTLY TO THE PESTICIDE COLLECTION SITE After you load your vehicle, avoid unnecessary travel when transporting pesticides.

DIRECT ADDITIONAL SAFETY QUESTIONS TO OSU PESTICIDE SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM at (405) 744-5808 or **THE OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD, AND FORESTRY** at (405) 522-5993.