

Standard Operating Procedure

FARM NAME _____

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Title: **Procedures for Disposal of Waste Agricultural Chemicals***

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In order to manage waste agricultural chemicals, this farm practices the following procedures:

1. Always follow the label directions for handling specific agricultural pesticides.
2. Utilize IPM techniques to help minimize pesticide applications.
3. Be aware of alternative products which might be less toxic or even nonhazardous.
4. Store pesticides correctly to help maintain their activity.
5. Carefully estimate the amount of mixture required for a specific area.
6. Accurately calibrate pesticide application equipment to avoid over or under applications.
7. Read pesticide labels carefully and know how and where to apply products for optimum results.
8. Clean equipment inside and out and dispose of left over mixture and rinsate according to label instructions.
9. Triple rinse empty pesticide containers and dispose of them properly.
10. Manage pesticide inventory so that minimal material must be stored or carried over from season to season.

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