



Why is it important to read pesticide labels before using pesticides?

Pesticide labels contain detailed information on how to use the product correctly and legally. Labels also contain information on potential hazards associated with the product and instructions you should follow in the event of a poisoning or spill.

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Keep these tips in mind:

- Always read the label carefully before you buy a product and make sure the product is intended for your specific use.
- Use the appropriate amount of pesticide for your job.
- Do not assume a pesticide purchased for one type of treatment can be used in another setting without first checking the label; many pesticides have similar names and ingredients despite being intended for very different uses.
- Buy only what you need. Storing and disposing of leftover pesticides can lead to unnecessary risks. Review the storage and disposal section of the label for information on how the product should be stored and disposed of, including the empty container.
- Re-read the label before using or re-using a pesticide, don't rely on your memory.
- Do not use pesticides in any manner other than those specifically listed on the label; it is against the law.
- Never remove a pesticide label from the container, or use unlabeled pesticides.
- Store all pesticides safely out of reach of children and pets.

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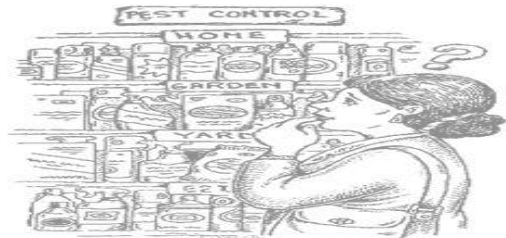
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Pesticide Labels Answer

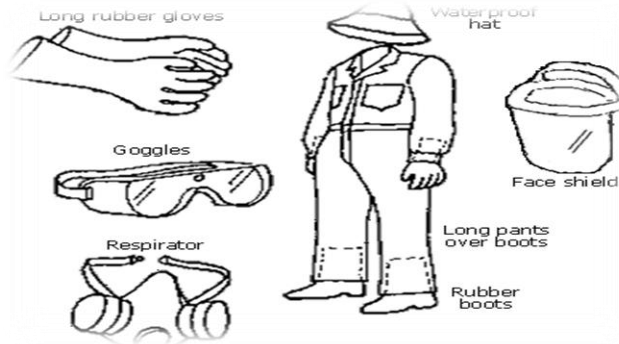
The Following Questions:

- Ingredients: What's in the product?
- **Signal word:** How toxic is the product?
- Precautionary statements: How can the product be used safely?
- First aid information: What should I do if it gets in my eyes, mouth, lungs or on my skin?
- Environmental hazards: What special restrictions are placed on this product to protect the environment?
- Personal protective equipment (PPE): What should I wear? Should I use gloves when I use this product?
- Directions for use: How and where should I use the product? How much is okay?
- Storage and disposal: How does the product have to be stored? What should I do with leftovers that I don't need?
- Manufacturer's contact information: How can I get in touch with the company?
- Phone number: Where can I get more information about this product?
- EPA Registration number: What is the unique product number?



Read The Pesticide Label & Understand The Instructions

- Read the Label
- Wear the right Personal Protective Equipment
- Change your cab air filter regularly



Water Repellent Hat

A water repellent hat such as a hard hat, hood or wide-brimmed rain hat

Protective eyewear

Safety spectacles with side shields and brow guards, goggles, face shields

Respirator mask

With a good seal and using appropriate cartridge and filter

Gloves

Chemical-resistant gloves, unlined, elbow length

Coveralls

Long-sleeved shirts and pants, or chemical-resistant coveralls

Boots

Chemical resistant boots, unlined, tall

Always Follow The Label Instructions

By their nature, many pesticides may pose some risk to humans, animals, or the environment because they are designed to kill or otherwise adversely affect living organisms. At the same time, pesticides are often useful because of their ability to control disease-causing organisms, insects, weeds, or other pests.

The pesticide label is your guide to using pesticides safely and effectively. It contains pertinent information that you should read and understand before you use a pesticide product

