



# Ontario Pesticide Education Program

Welcome

**Pesticide Safety Training for Ontario's Farmers and Vendors**



# Due Diligence

Take Reasonable Care When You Apply Pesticides

1. **Attitude! Do you really care about yourself and what you do?**
2. **Are you qualified to work with pesticides?**
3. **Is the pesticide registered in Ontario and Canada?**
4. **Was the pesticide you applied purchased from an approved dealer?**
5. **Did you read and comply with the label instructions for the pesticide you were using?**



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6. Did you check the weather forecast before you applied the pesticide?
7. Did you check the wind speed and direction, and the humidity and temperature?
8. Did you notify residents who may be affected by spray drift before you applied the pesticide?
9. Did you observe and record in your notebook areas of environmental sensitivity before you applied the pesticide?



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10. Did you check your vehicle and application equipment before you started the application?
11. Did you check that both the crop and pest are on the label?
12. Did you wear the proper clothing and personal protective equipment?



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13. Did you record in your notebook the:

- date of application,
- dealer where the pesticide was purchased,
- name of pesticide being applied,
- application rate and amount of pesticide used,
- wind speed and direction changes during application,
- boom height and equipment breakdowns etc.?

14. In the event of off-target impact due to spray drift, was the pesticide incident foreseeable or predictable under the circumstances?

# Grower Pesticide Safety Course

## ***Morning***

**Registration**

**How Pesticides Are Regulated**

**Integrated Pest Management**

**The Pesticide Label**

**Managing Pest Resistance**

**Pesticides and the Environment**

**Health Risks of Pesticide Use**

**First Aid**

**Exam –Part 1**

## ***Afternoon***

**Protective Clothing and PPE**

**Transportation of Pesticides**

**How to Store Pesticides Safely**

**How to Dispose of Pesticides/Containers**

**Cleaning Application Equipment**

**Pesticide Spills - Pesticide Fires**

**Drift of Pesticides**

**Calibration & Applying the Right Amount**

**Keeping Pesticide Records**

**Pesticides and Food & Be A Professional**

**Exam – Part 2**