

WPS TRAINING

FREQUENCY:

- Employers must train employees each year (Every 12 months)
- There is no grace period for WPS training!

TYPE OF TRAINERS:

- Certified applicators,
- State/Tribal/Federal approved trainers, and
- Persons who completed an EPA approved Train-The-Trainer course and use EPA approved materials.



RESOURCES

Pesticide Educational
Resources
Collaborative
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Worker Protection Standard (WPS)



It's a federal regulation designed to protect workers and pesticide handlers that work at agricultural establishments.



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AGRICULTURE**



WHEN DOES IT APPLY TO YOU?

- 1.If you use a WPS-labeled pesticide product.
- 2.If you employ agricultural workers or handlers (Directly or via labor contractor).
- 3.You own /operate an agricultural establishment producing agricultural plants.
- 4.You employ researchers who help produce agricultural plants.
- 5.You operate a business in which you (or people you employ):
 - a.Apply pesticides for production of agricultural plants or
 - b.Perform tasks as a crop advisor on any agricultural establishment
- 6.You are a pesticide handler who applies WPS-labeled pesticides on an establishment.

WHO IS COVERED BY WPS?

AGRICULTURAL WORKERS:

- Employees that work producing plants in agricultural establishments.
- They don't apply or handle pesticides.

PESTICIDE HANDLERS:

- Employees that are not licensed applicators, but perform pesticide-handling activities.
- Examples: Mix, load and/or apply pesticides.



KEY TERMS

AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYER:

- Any person who owns or manages an agricultural establishment, and who employs any worker or pesticide handler.

AGRICULTURAL PLANT:

- Any plant grown or maintained for commercial, or research purposes and includes, but is not limited to:
 - Food, feed, and fiber plants; trees; turfgrass; flowers, ornamentals; shrubs, seedlings.

AGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENT:

- Any farm, forest operation, orchard, or nursery involved in outdoor or enclosed-space production of agricultural plants.
- Any establishment that produces transplant plants or uses part or the entire plant instead of purchasing the agricultural plants.

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