

# Pesticide Information Leaflet



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*Pesticide users, consumers, and others have questions about pesticides (insecticides, herbicides, rodenticides, fungicides, etc.). The following resources will connect you to knowledgeable sources.*

### Emergency Contacts

**The National Poison Center Hotline (1-800-222-1222)** is a toll-free emergency number operating 24 hours a day for questions on treatment of poisonings from any cause, including pesticides. It is operated by the American Association of Poison Control Centers. Callers dialing the number are automatically linked to the nearest Poison Control Center. The Maryland Poison Control Center is operated by the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in Baltimore. Preferably, the caller should be a health professional, but calls from nonprofessionals are accepted. The appropriate Poison Control Center number is also listed inside the front cover of most telephone books.

**ASPCA National Animal Poison Control Center (888-426-4435)** operates on a 24-hour basis and charges a flat fee of \$45 per case, including any necessary follow-up. ASPCA charges \$65 for each call. The Center's telephones are answered by licensed veterinarians and board-certified veterinary toxicologists. The staff has access to data on pesticides, food additives, plant and mold toxins, drugs, and other chemicals. The Animal Poison Control website can be accessed at <http://www.asPCA.org/pet-care/animal-poison-control>

## Non-Emergency Resources

**The National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) (1-800-858-7378)** operates a toll-free service Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Pacific Time Zone. This number may be called by health care providers or by nonprofessionals. NPIC provides non-emergency information on product chemistry, protective equipment, safety, health and/or environmental effects, clean-up, disposal, regulations, etc. It is funded by EPA and operated by Oregon State University Department of Agricultural Chemistry in Corvallis, Oregon. The NPIC website can be accessed at <http://npic.orst.edu/>

**CHEMTREC (1-800-424-9300)** is a toll-free service operating Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Eastern Time Zone. This number may be called by pesticide nonprofessionals as well as by first responders. CMA provides non-emergency safety and health information on many chemicals, including, but not limited to, pesticides. The CHEMTREC website can be accessed at <https://www.chemtrec.com/>