

IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONCERNING SECONDARY CONTAINMENT OF BULK PESTICIDES, FERTILIZERS AND OPERATIONAL AREA CONTAINMENT

The phase-in period for rules relating to secondary containment of bulk pesticides, fertilizers and operational area containment that went into effect March 1, 1994 is over. As of March 1, 1999, all affected facilities, except those with individual tanks exceeding 100,000 gallons, must be in compliance with all parts of the secondary containment rules.

Beginning immediately, field staff from the pesticide and fertilizer programs will be conducting inspections to ensure compliance with these containment rules. Please do a thorough review of your facility and take any measures necessary to bring it into compliance with these requirements. Regulatory action will be based on the level of compliance and individual circumstances.

See below for the types of facilities that must comply with the rules and their respective implementation dates.

WAC 16-201 FERTILIZER

PERMANENT STORAGE FACILITIES* IMPLEMENTATION DATE: MARCH 1, 1999

*Permanent storage facility - a location where liquid bulk fertilizer in excess of 500 U.S. gallons or dry bulk fertilizer in undivided quantities exceeding 50,000 pounds is held in storage.

(Note: This is the final implementation date for the secondary containment rules WITH THE EXCEPTION OF facilities with individual tanks exceeding 100,000 gallons (which have a March 1, 2001 implementation date.)

WAC 16-229 PESTICIDES

PERMANENT MIXING OR LOADING SITE* IMPLEMENTATION DATE MARCH 1, 1998

*Permanent mixing or loading site - a site (location) where, in a calendar year, more than 300 gallons of liquid pesticide (formulated product), 3,000 pounds of dry pesticide, or a total of 1,500 pounds of pesticides as active ingredients are being mixed, repackaged or transferred from one container to another.

PERMANENT STORAGE FACILITY* IMPLEMENTATION DATE MARCH 1, 1997

*Permanent storage facility - a location where liquid bulk pesticide** in a single container, aggregate quantities in excess of 500 U.S. gallons, or dry bulk pesticide in undivided quantities in excess of 2,000 pounds is held in storage.

**Bulk Pesticide - any registered pesticide that is transported or held in an individual container in undivided quantities of greater than 55 U.S. gallons liquid measure or 100 pounds dry net weight.

To obtain a copy of the secondary containment rules for pesticides and/or fertilizers, you may contact Department of Agriculture at (360) 902-2040. For specific information or questions concerning the containment of fertilizers, please call (509) 533-2689. For information concerning the containment of pesticides, please call (360) 902-2040.