

## WORKER RIGHTS

- You have a right to know about the pesticides used at your work area.
- Information about what and where pesticides have been used must be posted at a central location where workers can see it.
- You must be given pesticide information (MSDS or fact sheet) if you ask for it.
- You must get safety training before the 16th workday.
- Although you must only be trained once every five years, your boss may train you more often.
- Employers must provide water, soap and disposable towels at the work site - you must use them.
- If you get ill from pesticides while working, the boss must get you to a doctor.
- You cannot be fired for asking for information or for filing a complaint.
- Call **1-800-435-7352** to report unsafe conditions - you do not have to give your name.



### IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Poison Control:  
**1-800-282-3171**

National Pesticides  
Telecommunications Network  
**1-800-858-7378**

Florida Department of Agriculture  
and Consumer Services  
**1-800-435-7352**

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# PESTICIDE SAFETY SHEET

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Pesticide Safety Sheet: A Guide for Florida Farm  
Workers (English Version)



## A Guide For Florida Farm Workers

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# PESTICIDE PRECAUTIONS



- Pesticides may get on your clothes at work. Wash your work clothes before using them again.
- Wash work clothes separately from other clothes.
- Wear clean clothes each day that cover your skin.
- Wear long pants, long-sleeved shirts, socks, and shoes or boots.



- Stay out of areas your boss tells you not to enter.
- Stay out of areas where pesticides are being applied.
- If pesticides drift to where you are working, get out.
- Never take pesticides or pesticide containers home from work.



- After work each day, wash your whole body, including your hair.
- Use plenty of soap and water.
- Wash your hands before you eat, drink, smoke, chem gum or tobacco, or go to the bathroom.



- If you are pregnant, ask your doctor about the risks of working around pesticides.
- Keep children away from areas where pesticides might be.

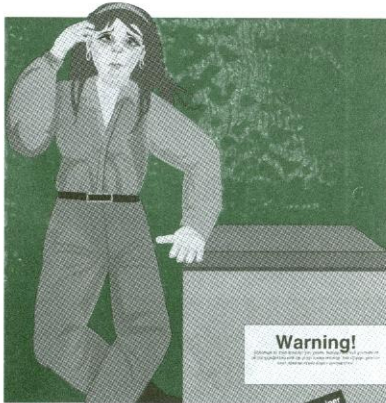
Pesticides are chemicals which may be harmful to your health. One or more of the



■ BURNING EYES, NOSE OR SKIN



■ ITCHING SKIN, RASH OR BLISTERS



■ WEAKNESS



■ EXCESSIVE SWEATING

## RESTRICTED - ENTRY INTERVALS

- ☛ Pesticides can get on your skin and clothing when you touch treated plants.
- ☛ Restricted-entry intervals keep you out of the work area until it is safe.
- ☛ Do not enter work areas with signs like this unless you have gotten additional training and are wearing protective equipment.



# OF PESTICIDE POISONING

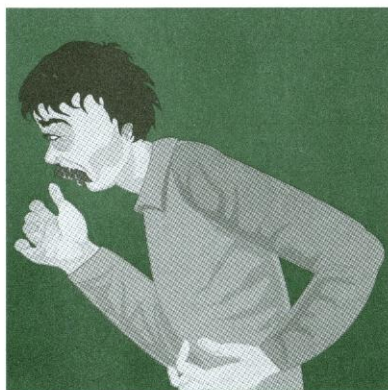
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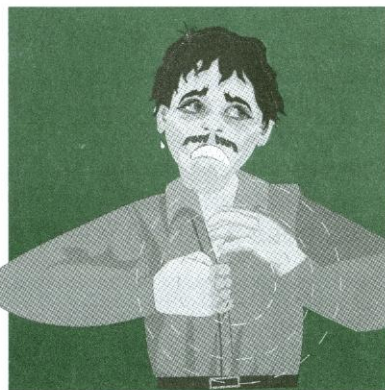
■ HEADACHE



■ DIZZINESS



■ NAUSEA, VOMITING  
■ STOMACH ACHE, CRAMPS



■ CHEST PAIN

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## PESTICIDE ILLNESS

- ☛ If your eyes begin to itch or burn, flush them with plenty of water.
- ☛ If your skin begins to itch or burn, wash with soap and water. Use lots of water.
- ☛ If you think you are sick at work from pesticides, tell your boss. He must take you to a doctor.
- ☛ If you've been sprayed or exposed to drift, wash immediately with soap and water. Put on clean clothes. Then tell your boss.
- ☛ Tell the doctor you think you were exposed to pesticides.
- ☛ Your boss must give the doctor information about the pesticides that he has used.