



# EXTENSION

Department of Plant Sciences College of Agriculture and Natural Resources Use this checklist to make sure you follow all the correct steps for transporting pesticides safely from the supplier to the storage or application site.

### Inspect the vehicle

- ( ) Remove sharp objects from the truck bed
- ( ) Check lights, tires, mirrors, steering, and brakes

### Put safety equipment in the vehicle

- ( ) Soap and water for cleaning hands, water for flushing eyes or skin
- ( ) Protective clothing, chemical-resistant boots and gloves
- ( ) Respirator for toxic fumes
- ( ) Goggles or face shield for eye protection
- ( ) Shovel to build dirt dikes
- ( ) Absorbent material such as kitty litter for small spills
- ( ) Decontamination solution (bleach)

#### Make sure you have:

- ( ) Your pesticide applicators license
- ( ) A tarpaulin in case of rain
- ( ) Emergency telephone numbers

## Do's and don'ts during transportation

DO NOT transport pesticides in the passenger compartment of any vehicle.

DO NOT load edible food or feed into the same cargo area with pesticides.

DO NOT stack heavy pesticides containers on top of light ones.

DO remain alert.

DO drive with extreme caution.

## What to do if a spill occurs

- 1. Secure the area keep people at a safe distance from the spill.
- **2. Put on safety equipment** to protect your health, or even to save your life.
- 3. **If possible, stop the leak** without endangering yourself or others. To stop a small spill, use absorbent material and contain it with a dirt dike. Don't use water it will only spread the spill.
- 4. Notify the local fire department.

#### READ AND FOLLOW LABEL DIRECTIONS!

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