

Manure Spills Response Procedure

List who to call:

- Call 911 or local emergency response coordinators, at numbers below:
 - Spills Action Centre – 1-800-268-6060
 - Municipal spills expert or emergency contact _____
 - Fire _____
 - Ministry of Environment and Climate Change regional spills expert _____
- Speak clearly and provide the location of the accident or emergency.
- Describe any victim(s) and the nature of any injuries.
- Contact other farm people as appropriate (owners, employees, manure haulers, and neighbors) for additional assistance and equipment (backhoe, vacuum truck, etc.).

List what steps or actions should be taken and, if applicable, who is responsible:

- Stop the source of the spill by turning off pumping equipment or plugging leaks.
- Contact one or all of the following: fire department, municipal spills expert, Spills Action Center, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change. If the spill cannot be controlled, call the Spills Action Centre immediately.
- Contain the spill by constructing a sand berm with a loader or use bales of straw to block the spill. Dig a dike or ditch to block the flow path and trap the spilled material. Block drains, watercourses and plug tile drains. For severe spills, crush or cutoff field tiles in the area of the spill using heavy equipment. Describe procedure to follow:

- Sweep, scoop or suction manure by working from the outside of the spill toward the inside to reduce spread. Pump the manure back into the storage if possible. Land apply reclaimed manure in accordance with nutrient management plan (if applicable) or incorporate small field spills directly into the soil. Describe procedure:

- Depending on the scale and location of the spill, contaminated soil may have to be removed with loader or other equipment and applied elsewhere.
- As appropriate, take photographs of the spill scene, drainage ditches, water courses, etc. and document actions including timeline.

- Other:

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