

Hazardous Material Spills Response Procedure

List who to call:

- **Refer to Appendix 1: Emergency Contact Information**
- Speak clearly and provide the location of the accident or emergency.
- Describe any victim(s) and the nature of their injuries.
- Contact other farm people as appropriate (owners, managers, employees, and neighbors) for additional assistance.

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

- Contact one or all of the following: fire department, municipal spills expert, Spills Action Center, Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks. If the spill cannot be controlled, call the Spills Action Centre immediately.
- Spill containment and personal protection equipment is stored:

- Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) are stored: _____
- Do not move victim(s) unless you must do so for their safety and to prevent further injury.
- Render first-aid and emergency medical treatment to the best of your ability and training. Refer to the Personal Injury Emergency Response Procedure for more details.
- Stop the source of the spill by turning off pumping equipment or plugging leaks.
- Set up barriers to keep people and animals out. Describe what to use.

- Do not attempt to clean the spill unless trained to do so.
- Identify the product and read the MSDS. Take proper safety precautions, according to the label and MSDS, before trying to contain the spill.
- If you are appropriately trained, contain the spill with available equipment, e.g. pads, booms, absorbent powder, etc. in accordance with the instructions described in the MSDS.

- Wear protective gloves, safety glasses, and other personal protective equipment as recommended on the label and MSDS.
- Liquids should be covered with a thick layer of absorbent material, e.g. soil, vermiculite, kitty litter, etc., and given time to be absorbed.
- For large volume, liquid spills, 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:

- For dust, granular or powder spills, limit air movement and sweep or shovel into waste drum and seal. Describe procedure to follow:

- Depending on the scale and location of the spill, contaminated soil may have to be removed with a loader or other equipment and applied elsewhere. Consult with spill experts for correct decontamination and disposal methods.
- As appropriate and when it is safe to do so, take photographs of the incident scene, damage, etc. and document actions including timeline.
- Other:

Date Prepared: _____

Initials of person completing: _____

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