



# SPILLS

# HAPPEN

take responsibility,  
report them

## reporting requirements

Any spill which has harmed or may harm the public or the environment must be reported to the DNR.

If the spill is confined to a contained area and recovered, you do not need to report the spill but you must include it on your discharge records.

If there is no harm to the public or the environment, reporting requirements are based on the quantity released.

- **Dry Fertilizer:** Report the discharge to the DNR if the amount is 250 pounds or greater.
- **Liquid Fertilizer:** Report the discharge to the DNR if the amount is 25 gallons or greater.
- **Registered Agricultural Pesticides:** Report the discharge to the DNR if the amount, when diluted according to the label, would cover one acre or more of land if applied according to label instructions.

## phone numbers

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Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

Answered 24 hours a day by the  
Division of Emergency Management  
and routed to the DNR.

800.943.0003

National Response Center (NRC)

Answered 24 hours a day.

800.424.8802

Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection  
(DATCP) Answered Monday

through Friday 7:45AM-4:30PM

608.224.4500

## spill information

When reporting a spill, be prepared to provide the following:

- the responsible person's name, address, and phone number
- the date, time, duration and location of the discharge
- the product name and amount of the discharged material
- the cause of the discharge
- any known health risks associated with the release
- precautions to take as a result of the release
- site conditions (soil type, distance from surface water, etc.)

## nrc and lepc reporting requirements

If the amount of spilled product exceeds the CERCLA or EHS reportable quantities listed in SARA Title III, you must report the spill to the National Response Center (NRC) and the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), regardless of DNR reporting requirements. If you are not familiar with CERCLA or EHS reportable quantities, contact DATCP for assistance.

## datcp reporting

The DNR will normally contact the DATCP Spill Coordinator when an agrichemical spill is reported. Since DATCP will have the lead for fertilizer and agricultural pesticide cleanup, you may want to report the discharge to the DATCP Spill Coordinator to initiate DATCP assistance.

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**ACCP**  
Agricultural Chemical Cleanup Program

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## spills... what to do

### control

- protect yourself • stop the source
- protect others • stay at the site

### contain

- confine the spill • protect water sources
- recover and/or absorb liquids • cover dry materials

### contact us

- call phone numbers on reverse for assistance

### clean up

- decontaminate the spill site