

Worker Protection Safety Poster

New for 2018

The new worker protection safety poster is part of the “central posting” requirement for the federal worker protection program or WPS.

The redesigned safety poster has been updated and redesigned for use in 2018. Sometimes the poster is referred to as “pesticide safety information.”

requirements. The 22”x34” posters are in English and Spanish and are available on cardstock (\$6.25) or laminated (\$10.65).

Complete the Poster Information

Remember to fill in the blanks on the left side of the poster(s) with local information for medical help and the farm address if an ambulance is needed. If the state pesticide regulatory agency is missing, the information for Wisconsin is - Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, 2811 Agriculture Drive, Madison WI 53718, 608-224-4500.

Poster Placement

Select a location where employees congregate such as a break room, check-in/check-out, change clothes, etc. Workers and handlers must be able to access safety information at any time during normal work hours.

In addition, “pesticide safety information” (the poster) must be posted at any permanent decontamination sites or any location where decontamination supplies are required for 11 or more workers. This might include out-buildings and portable restrooms with handwashing supplies for workers.

Additional Pesticide Safety Information

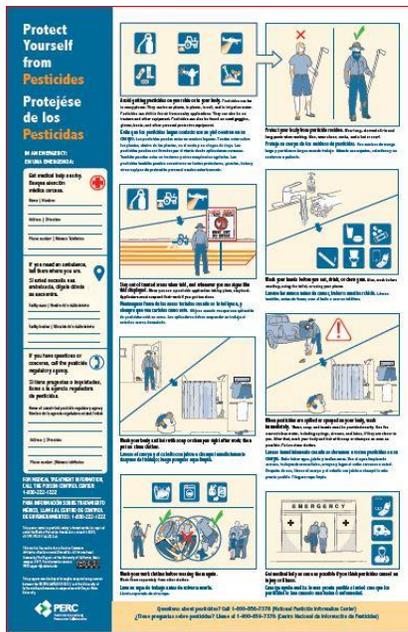
Besides the safety poster, two other items are required in the “central posting” area.

1. Hazard information

- a. Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for each agricultural pesticide applied in the last 30 days, or longer if there was a restricted-entry interval.

2. Pesticide Application Information (records)

- a. These records must be posted for each agricultural pesticide applied in the last 30 days, or longer, if there was a



Purchase Posters

Posters are available through the Pesticide Educational Resources Collaborative (PERC) <http://pesticideresources.org/wps/cp.html>.

The posters are laminated and available in two sizes.

- Small, 11”x17”, \$6.85 each
- Large, 22”x34”, \$8.85 each
- English-only; Spanish-only or English and Spanish
- Can be ordered in bundles of 10

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restricted-entry interval. Records must contain:

- i. Name of the pesticide(s) applied
- ii. Active ingredient(s) of the pesticide(s) applied
- iii. EPA registration number(s) of the pesticide(s) applied
- iv. Restricted Entry Interval (REI)
- v. Crop or site treated
- vi. Location and description of the treated area(s)
- vii. Date(s) and times application started and ended

Electronic Posting

Application records and hazard information (SDS) may be kept electronically. If you choose to keep information electronically, all workers must be able to use the computer or other device and must have continuous access to the documents.

Purpose of Posting Information

The information is intended to:

- Help workers avoid pesticide-treated areas while restrictions are in place
- Protect workers and their families from unnecessary pesticide exposure
- Help workers understand the potential health effects of pesticide exposure
- Enable workers to share important details about pesticide exposure when they are seeking medical care

Annual Training vs. Poster

The pesticide safety poster is not a substitute for annual training. The poster will reinforce the training material.

Example of a “Central Posting” area



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1. **Hazard Information:** includes Safety Data Sheet(s) for each pesticide applied
2. **Pesticide Application Information:** includes start and end time of pesticide application, plus location and description
3. **Pesticide Safety Information:** the new poster



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