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DICAMBA LABEL MODIFICATIONS FOR 2018

In the past few days, several producers probably received a letter from the Ohio Department of Agriculture discussing the Dicamba label for 2018. For those who didn't get the mailing, here it is.

In October 2017, the U.S. EPA approved revised labels for Engenia, Xtendimax, and FeXapan. The manufacturers of these dicamba products voluntarily agreed to the additional requirements for their products. The changes include but are not limited to:

1) Restricted Use Label — These products are now “restricted use” which means only licensed applicators will be able to purchase them. These labels supersede all prior labels for these products and expire in December 2018.

2) Dicamba-Specific Training — Prior to applying these products in the 2018 growing season, all applicators, including applicators acting under direct supervision, must complete dicamba or auxin-specific training. This training must be provided by either a registrant of one of the three products or an ODA-approved training program. For an updated list of approved trainings, please visit our website at www.agri.ohio.gov.

*Note: Indiana and Kentucky are not accepting Ohio's approved training.

3) Increased recordkeeping requirements — Private and commercial applicators are required to maintain application records as outlined in OAC 901:5-11-10. This information must be generated on the day of application and retained for 3 years. In addition to Ohio's recordkeeping requirements, the dicamba labels also require applicators to record and maintain additional information for two years and have 14 days to complete the following information:

Proof of Training Spray System Cleanout Start and Finish Times

Application Timing Air Temperature Nozzle Selection

Receipts of Purchase Wind Speed and Direction Buffers

Sensitive Crop Awareness Tank Mix Partners Product Labels

4) Wind Speed — Applications may only occur when wind speeds are between 3-10 miles per hour at boom height.

5) Temperature Inversions — Applications may only be made between predetermined sunrise and sunset times.

6) Sensitive/Susceptible Crops — Applications can only be made when the wind is blowing away from non-tolerant susceptible crops, which now includes non-dicamba tolerant soybeans. Applicators are also required to survey the application site for neighboring sensitive areas. The applicator must also consult sensitive crop registries to locate nearby sensitive areas where available.

7) Spray System Equipment Clean-out — Spray equipment must be thoroughly cleaned before and after applications. The triple rinse procedure includes cleaning tanks, pumps, lines, filters, screens and nozzles with a strong detergent based sprayer cleaner.



- To date, all BASF, Dupont and Monsanto trainings are listed on our web page: <https://pested.osu.edu/dicambatraining>
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 - Dupont should have an accepted online training available by the end of February (Until recently, the Dupont website had an 18 minute “Dicamba Awareness” video that was taken down, that may have been confused for the ODA approved video! It is NOT. However, if anyone did decided to sit through it, they would have received a Certificate of Completion. This is very misleading, but I wanted you to be aware in case the question comes up!)
 - If you have an approved dicamba trainer speaking at one of your meetings and you’d like it listed, just let me know
 - ODA is accepting out of state training, however, Indiana and Kentucky **will not** accept Ohio training

Brown Co. Master Gardener Monthly Program

The next Brown Co. Master Gardener program is coming up Thursday, February 15, 2018. The Garden seminar hosted by OSUE Brown County Master Gardener Volunteers will feature Bill Pettit who will be talking about **Growing Giant Pumpkins**. The program begins at 7:00 p.m. in Room 107 at the Mt. Orab campus of Southern State Community College. As always all seminars are free and open to the public.

Registration for Pesticide and Fertilizer Re-certs

Registration is open for Pesticide and Fertilizer re-certifications that I have listed below. Please call the office for the location you wish to attend. The Adams County office is Barbie at 544-2339; Brown County office is Cindy at 378-6716; and Highland County is Tammy at 393-1918.

Dates to Remember

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| Feb. 6 | Southwest Agronomy Day in Wilmington at Clinton County Fairgrounds. Contact the Clinton Co. OSU Extension at 937-382-0901. |
| Feb. 6 | Southwest Specialty Crop Conference at the Oasis in Loveland. Contact the Warren County Extension Office at 513-695-1311. Register by February 4 online or by phone by Feb. 2. |
| Feb. 7 | Ohio River Valley Agronomy Day in Maysville at the Mason County Extension Office. Call 606-564-6808. |
| Feb. 12 | Pesticide Testing at the Old Y Restaurant at noon. Pre-register by calling ODA at 800-282-1955 or online at http://pested.osu.edu |
| Feb. 20 | Adams Co. Pesticide Re-certification at Frisch’s starting at 5:00 p.m. 3 hours of Pesticide and 1 hour of Fertilizer Re-certification. Must Pre-register. |

- Feb. 22 GAP for Tobacco producers at Frisch's in West Union starting at 1:00 p.m. Registration is required by February 21. Space is limited so register early with Barbie at 544-2339.
- Feb. 22 GAP for Tobacco producers at Maysville Community and Technical College in the evening. No pre-registration and it begins at 6:00 p.m.
- Feb. 24 Brown Co. Cattlemen Annual Banquet.
- Feb. 28 Brown Co. Pesticide and Fertilizer Re-cert at Southern Hills Board Office at 11:00 a.m. Must Pre-register.
- Mar. 2 Highland Co. Pesticide and Fertilizer Re-cert at Southern State Community College in Hillsboro at 11:00 a.m. Must Pre-register.
- Mar. 5 Farm and Family Night at Maysville Community and Technical College.