

# Chemical & Fertilizer – Storage and Handling

## AgSafe Safe Work Procedure

1. Compile Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) on all chemicals used in the operation.
2. All containers should be labeled clearly as to hazards and precautions.
3. Wear the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment whenever chemicals are handled.
4. Enforce no smoking rules where necessary (each site may have a designated smoking area).
5. Employees using chemicals should be supervised.
6. Empty pesticide/chemical containers must be disposed of promptly and safely in the manner prescribed by the Ministry of Environment.
7. Substitute a less hazardous substance, if possible.
8. Establish medical surveillance of personnel including ongoing monitoring to detect symptoms caused by chemical exposure.
9. Post re-entry times on sprayed areas in accordance with the re-entry time recorded on the label of the product utilized.
10. Wash hands thoroughly prior to eating, drinking, smoking or going to the washroom.
11. Inspect chemical containers for leaks prior to handling them.

Please use the following **Safe Work Procedures** as a guideline to building your own safe work procedures.