**1. MAKING PESTICIDE STORAGE, HANDLING, AND APPLICATION ROUTINE.** Evan Alderman (alderman@iastate.edu; 515-294-0150) and Mark Shour (mshour@iastate.edu, 515-294-5963) – Iowa State University PSEP
   a. [http://npic.orst.edu/health/storage.html](http://npic.orst.edu/health/storage.html)
   b. [https://pesticidestewardship.org/storage/](https://pesticidestewardship.org/storage/)
   d. [http://extensionpublications.unl.edu/assets/pdf/ec2507.pdf](http://extensionpublications.unl.edu/assets/pdf/ec2507.pdf)

**2. LAWS AND REGULATIONS.** Jeni Lara (Jenifer.Lara@Iowaagriculture.gov, 515-281-8506)

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**IDALS Pesticide Bureau**

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### Requirements to maintain a company license:
- Have one or more certified pesticide applicator
- Comply with insurance requirement * %
- Pay for annual license fee *
- * Public official licensees do not have an insurance requirement or pay a license fee.
- % Non-commercial licensees do not have an insurance requirement.
- Initial Certification of Pesticide Applicator – Pass the exams for each category
- Recertification of Pesticide Applicator – Retake exams once every 3 years, or attend a 2-hour approved CIC each year, including the first year of certification and each category held by the applicator must be covered

### Summary of Applicator and Employer Duties

#### Applicators:
- Keep a copy of pesticide applicator exam verification and/or all yearly pesticide training certificates
- If a year of training is missed, re-testing is required - No exceptions
- When changing employers, testing and training verification will be requested by IDALS
- Fees to vendors for testing or training do not cover payment of the certification fee to IDALS
- Keep timely and accurate pesticide application records (save 3 years), make them available to IDALS when requested

#### Employers:
- Keep training records for six years and keep records of pesticide applications for three years
- Make sure employees have access to - and study - the manuals prior to testing
- Provide applicators with a copy of their testing and training records, even after ending employment relationship
- Notify IDALS when applicators start or leave employment, or when working out of two or more locations

### Recordkeeping

#### Commercial Applicator Records
Maintain records of pesticide application of pesticides for 3 years.

- Company name and license number
- Name and address of landowner or customer
- Location of the application (for RUPs)
- Date of the application
- Full trade name of the pesticide(s) used
- Concentration, rate, quantity of pesticide product
- Temperature, wind direction and speed
- Specific use of any restricted use pesticide
- Start and end time of application

#### Unlawful activities at production establishments:
- Repackaging a pesticide from one container to another
- Labeling or relabeling a pesticide
- Changing the container of a pesticide

#### Storage and disposal issues:
- Problems with heat, cold or direct sunlight
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### Production and Storage

#### Pesticide Production and Storage
It is unlawful to distribute any pesticide not registered with EPA.

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### Additional Resources

- EPA Region 7 24 HR Emergencies 913-281-0991
eapa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-7-midwest
- Des Moines FSDO – FAA Flights Standards 515-289-3840
faa.gov/about/office_org/field_offices/fsdo/dsm/contact/
- Poison Control Center 800-222-1222
iowapoison.org/
- National Pesticide Information Center (toxicity questions) 800-858-7378 npic.orst.edu/
- IDNR Emergency Response for Chemical Spills 515-725-8694
iowadnr.gov/Environmental-Protection/Land-Quality/Emergency-Planning-EPCRA/Spill-Reporting
- Pet Poison Hotline 24/7 - Animal Poison Control 855-764-7661
aspca.org/pet-care/animal-poison-control
Mixing and Transferring Pesticides

- Iowa Administrative Code 21 Chapter 44.10(6) No mixing and transferring of pesticides and rinsing of equipment shall be conducted on public highways, roads and streets.

Discharge - Natural Lakes

- Iowa Code Chapter 206.7A Discharge of pesticides into natural lakes - civil penalty authority: A person shall not intentionally spray, place, discharge, or otherwise put a pesticide off label into a natural lake, or an artificial lake connected to a natural lake, that is used as a source of water for public or private water supplies.

Containment - Issues: Rainwater or spills, cracks in concrete, lock valves while facility unattended.

- All non-mobile bulk pesticide storage containers shall be located within a watertight secondary containment facility.
- Permanent mixing/loading site are where pesticides are stored for more than 30 days and where more than 300 gallons/300 pounds of pesticides are mixed or loaded within a 30 day period - This may apply to some airports
- Washing of equipment at permanent mixing/loading sites is required to be done on the containment pad.

Field Watch - Annual Registration Required

- Registered producers and beekeepers may update their information at any time during the year.
- Registration expires December 31st of each year, producers and beekeepers that wish to remain actively registered must confirm, and edit if necessary, their registration information beginning in January of the following year.
- FieldWatch will send out up to three notices to renewing producers reminding them to renew.

Sensitive Crops - Iowa Bee Rule

- Iowa Administrative Code 21 Chapter 45.31(206) Application of pesticides toxic to bees
  - 45.31(1) Owners of apiaries, in order to protect their bees from pesticide applications, shall register the location of their apiaries with the state apiarist. Registration shall be on forms provided by the department. The registration expires December 31 each year and may be renewed the following year.
  - 45.31(2) Between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., a commercial applicator shall not apply to blooming crops pesticides labeled as toxic to bees when the commercial applicator is located within one mile of a registered apiary. A commercial applicator shall be responsible for maintaining the one-mile distance from apiaries that are registered and listed on the sensitive crop registry on the first day of each month.

3. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. Adam Thoms (athoms@iastate.edu, 515-294-1957) – ISU Horticulture-Turfgrass
   a. http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pi061
   c. https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pi199
   d. https://pesticidestewardship.org/personal-protective-equipment/
   e. https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-worker-safety/personal-protective-equipment-pesticide-handlers
   f. https://extension2.missouri.edu/g1917
4. **DOLLAR SPOT MANAGEMENT FOR COMPETITION TURFGRASS.** Adam Thoms (athoms@iastate.edu, 515-294-1957) – ISU Horticulture-Turfgrass
   a. Low nitrogen disease occurring with nighttime temperatures 50°F or higher
   b. Prolonged periods of leaf wetness (8-12 hours) – early spring to early summer, and in early fall (August, September)
   c. Symptoms: 1) brown spot about size of a silver dollar with spots coalescing to larger patches; 2) straw-colored hour-glass shaped lesion on leaf blades, with darker band at top and bottom of the lesion
   d. Cultural management practices: 1) increase fertilization (½ pound nitrogen per growing month); 2) decrease irrigation; 3) re-seed with resistant cultivars (www.ntep.org)
   e. Plant growth regulators can slow down recovery of turf from dollar spot
   f. Chemical control strategies: 1) rotate fungicide classes to prevent resistance; 2) systemic fungicides have a higher risk of developing resistance; 3) good mixture of contact fungicides with systemic fungicide classes; 4) apply fungicide with at least 2 gallons of water per 1000 square feet; 5) follow a systemic fungicide application with a contact fungicide as per label directions
   g. Specific fungicides:
      i. Chlorothalonil – ex. Daconil. Contact fungicide with only 7 to 21 day activity
      ii. Systemic fungicides include Xzemplar, Traction, Tourney, Torque, Mirage, Interface and Emerald. 14 to 28 day activity

5. **CONTROL OF YELLOW NUTSEDGE.** AJ Lindsey (alexlind@iastate.edu) – ISU Horticulture, graduate student
   a. Identification: leaves coming out in 3 directions; roll stem in your fingers to detect the triangular stem; yellow in appearance
   b. Management: 1) dense stand of turfgrass; 2) good fertility program; 3) proper irrigation; 4) proper mowing height
   c. Problems in trying to control: 1) waxy leaves that repel pesticide solution; 2) spreads by rhizomes and nutlets – no mechanical control measures work
   d. Life cycle: summer perennial weed (mid-May through summer); dies back at first frost
   e. Best time to control is early spring or early summer. Use halosulfuron (ex. SedgeHammer), sulfentrazone (ex. Dismiss), and mesotrione (Tenacity) (at time of seeding)
   f. Turfgrass Weed Control for Professionals: https://mdc.itap.purdue.edu/item.asp?itemID=23233

6. **ALLEVIATING DRY SPOT ON GOLF COURSES.** Ben Pease (bwpease@iastate.edu) – ISU Horticulture, graduate student
   a. Mainly a problem on highly managed turf areas (golf courses greens, tees, and fairways)
   b. Can show up on home lawns with poor soil depth and new construction
   c. Soil hydrophobicity = waxy layers on soil particles that do not permit soil particles to be re-wetted once they are overly dry
   d. Pushing the turf beyond its physiological limits – results in non-uniform turf, complete bare soil areas, and weed encroachment
   e. Golfers demanding firmer, drier surfaces with lower mowing heights for faster/better play
   f. Occurs in the top few inches of soil
   g. Localized dry spot causes less efficient pesticide applications – inhibits movement of pesticides through soil profile
h. Ways to mitigate:
   i. Proper cultural / organic matter management
      1. Aerification – deep tining, solid tining, air-inject systems, water-inject systems
      2. Verticutting
      3. Topdressing
   ii. Avoid excessive nitrogen fertilization
   iii. Avoid excessive watering
   iv. Use of wetting agents – put on a calendar based program
      1. Penetrants
      2. Holders
      3. Pushers

i. Tools used to diagnose localized dry spot
   i. Soil core sampler – remove core and see if soil falls apart easily
   ii. Soil profiler
   iii. Field scout TDR (time domain reflectometer)

7. **OVERVIEW OF THE NORTH CENTRAL REGION IPM CENTER.** Laura Iles ([ljesse@iastate.edu](mailto:ljesse@iastate.edu), 515-294-3494) – ISU Plant & Insect Diagnostic Clinic

   a. [https://www.ncipmc.org/](https://www.ncipmc.org/)
   b. [https://www.ncipmc.org/projects/pest-alerts1/](https://www.ncipmc.org/projects/pest-alerts1/) - Pest Alerts
   c. Email for Pest Alert packets of 50 – [ncipmmedia@gmail.com](mailto:ncipmmedia@gmail.com)
   d. [https://www.ncipmc.org/projects/publications/](https://www.ncipmc.org/projects/publications/) - Other publications
   e. [https://www.ncipmc.org/connection/](https://www.ncipmc.org/connection/) - blog
   g. [https://ipminstitute.org/](https://ipminstitute.org/)

8. **EMERALD ASH BORER UPDATE 2020.** Mike Kintner ([Mike.Kintner@Iowaagriculture.gov](mailto:Mike.Kintner@Iowaagriculture.gov), 515-745-2877) – Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, State Entomologist’s Office

   a. [http://iowatreepests.com/eab_home.html](http://iowatreepests.com/eab_home.html)
   b. [https://www.extension.iastate.edu/psep/emerald-ash-borer-eab](https://www.extension.iastate.edu/psep/emerald-ash-borer-eab)
   c. [https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/Emerald-Ash-Borer-Management-Options](https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/Emerald-Ash-Borer-Management-Options)