APPENDIX A
ANSWERS TO REVIEW QUESTIONS

Chapter 1 Integrated Pest Management
(1) Integrated pest management is a planned pest control program that combines control strategies to keep the pest population below economically damaging levels and to avoid adverse effects to humans, wildlife, and the environment.

(2) Cultural control—examples: host-plant resistance, maintaining healthy plants, changing the timing of harvest or planting, cultivation, field management, water management.
Biological control—examples: pathogens, parasitoids, predators.
Chemical control—examples: insecticide, herbicide, fungicide.

(3) Economic threshold—the number of pests (pest density) that requires a control action to prevent the pest population from increasing and causing economic damage.

(4) B. (5) D. (6) C.

(7) Cultural controls work by preventing the pest from colonizing the crop or commodity, creating adverse conditions that reduce survival of the pest, and reducing the impact of injury by the pest.

(8) A. (9) C. (10) B. (11) A. (12) B.
(13) C. (14) B. (15) A. (16) A. (17) B. (18) B.

(19) Tolerance is the amount of acceptable pesticide residue permitted by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on a harvested crop.

(20) D. (21) A. (22) B. (23) A. (24) B. (25) D.

(26) C. (27) A.

Chapter 2. Minimizing Pesticide Impact
(1) A.

(2) A supplemental label is any information from the manufacturer about how to use the product. Examples: special local needs labels (24c), emergency exemption labels (section 18), and use information issued by the manufacturer.

(3) B. (4) C. (5) D. (6) A. (7) B. (8) D.

(9) B. (10) B.

(11) Any five of the following are correct: use integrated pest management; consider the geology of the area, carefully select pesticides that are not likely to leach, follow pesticide label directions, calibrate your equipment, measure accurately, avoid back-siphoning, consider weather conditions at the time of application, mix on an impervious pad, properly dispose of all pesticide wastes, and store pesticides away from water sources.


(20) 1. A map of all areas where pesticide applications occur.
2. A list of pesticide-sensitive sites near an application area.
3. Pesticide label and mandated restrictions.
4. Information for persons in sensitive areas on the type of pesticide used, the method of application, and the applicator’s plan to minimize pesticide drift.

Chapter 3 Application Equipment
(1) D.

(2) The method of a pesticide application is influenced by target pest, the site of application, the available application equipment, and the cost and efficiency of alternative control methods.

(3) A. (4) A. (5) D. (6) C. (7) B. (8) A.

(9) B. (10) B. (11) C. (12) C. (13) B. (14) A.

(15) A pressure regulator controls the pressure in the spray system and therefore the amount of spray material delivered by the nozzles.

(16) C. (17) A. (18) B. (19) B. (20) D.

(21) 1. Check the spray system for leaks and drips by filling the tank with water and pressurizing the system.
2. Check the nozzles and strainers, making sure they are all the same type and are clean.
3. Measure the distance between the nozzle tip and the target and adjust, if necessary.

(22) B. (23) C. (24) B.

(25) Global positioning systems and geographical information systems help map fields and increase the accuracy of pesticide applications.
Chapter 4 Calibration

(1) Calibration of various systems is important because each system is a unique combination of pumps, nozzles, and other equipment.

(2) A. (3) B. (4) C. (5) C. (6) B. (7) D.

(8) A. (9) C. (10) B. (11) A. (12) A.


Chapter 5 Insect Management

(1) D. (2) A.

(3) Metamorphosis is defined as the change in shape or form of an animal. An insect is said to undergo metamorphosis when it changes from the larval to pupal to adult life stage.

(4) A. (5) A. (6) C. (7) B. (8) B. (9) C.

(10) B. (11) A.

(12) It is important to understand an insect’s life cycle for pest management because each life stage is managed differently on the basis of its food source and habitat.


(19) C. (20) D. (21) D. (22) B. (23) A. (24) B.


(31) B. (32) A.

Chapter 6 Weed Management

(1) A weed is a plant growing where it is not wanted.

(2) B. (3) B. (4) C. (5) D. (6) A. (7) B.

(8) A. (9) A.

(10) Advantages—base herbicide selection on weeds present; soil type and moisture do not affect herbicide activity.

Disadvantages—greater risk of crop injury; should not be applied to wet foliage; time the application for effective control; weather may delay time of application.

(11) B. (12) A. (13) B. (14) A.

(15) A herbicide adjuvant is any substance that is added to a herbicide to enhance its effectiveness.

(16) B.

Chapter 7 Disease Management

(1) A. (2) C. (3) A. (4) C. (5) C.

(6)

PLANT DISEASE TRIANGLE

HOST

PATHOGEN

ENVIRONMENT

(7) A.

(8) 1. Production of inoculum.


4. Infection.

5. Pathogen survival between susceptible crops.

(9) B. (10) C. (11) C. (12) D. (13) B. (14) C.


(33) A. (34) C. (35) B. (36) D. (37) A.

Chapter 8 Nematode Management

(1) B. (2) B. (3) A. (4) C. (5) C.

(6) B. (7) C. (8) D. (9) B. (10) C.
## APPENDIX B

### CONVERSION TABLES

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ABBOMINAL PROLEGS—The false, peglike legs on the abdomen of a caterpillar.

ABSORPTION—The movement of a chemical into plants, animals (including humans), and/or microorganisms.

ACARICIDE—A pesticide used to control mites and ticks. A miticide is an acaricide.

ACTIVE INGREDIENT—The chemical or chemicals in a pesticide responsible for killing, poisoning, or repelling the pest. Listed separately in the ingredient statement.

ACTION THRESHOLD—see economic threshold

ACUTE TOXICITY—The capacity of a pesticide to cause injury within 24 hours following exposure. LD$_{50}$ and LC$_{50}$ are common indicators of the degree of acute toxicity. (See also chronic toxicity).

ADJUVANT—A substance added to a pesticide to improve its effectiveness or safety. Same as additive. Examples: penetrants, spreader-stickers, and wetting agents.

ADSORPTION—The process by which chemicals are held or bound to a surface by physical or chemical attraction. Clay and high organic soils tend to adsorb pesticides.

AGGREGATION PHEROMONE—See pheromone.

AEROSOL—A material stored in a container under pressure. Fine droplets are produced when the material dissolved in a liquid carrier is released into the air from the pressurized container.

ALLELOPATHY—When one plant species releases toxic chemicals that eliminate a competing species.

ANAL PROLEGS—The false, peglike legs near the anus of a caterpillar.

ANNUAL—A plant that completes its life cycle in one year.

ANTI-SIPHONING DEVICE—A device attached to the filling hose that prevents backflow or back-siphoning from a spray tank into a water source.

ANTIBIOSIS—A relationship between two or more organisms that negatively affects one of the organisms involved (example: plant characteristics that affect insect behavior).

ANTIDOTE—A treatment used to counteract the effects of pesticide poisoning or some other poison in the body.

ANTIXENOSIS—A relationship between two or more organisms that changes the behavior of one of the organisms involved (example: plant characteristics that drive an insect away).

ARACHNID—A wingless arthropod with two body regions and four pairs of jointed legs. Spiders, ticks, and mites are in the class Arachnida.

ARTHROPOD—An invertebrate animal characterized by a jointed body and limbs and usually a hard body covering that is molted at intervals. For example, insects, mites, and crayfish are in the phylum Arthropoda.

ATTRACTION—A substance or device that will lure pests to a trap or poison bait.

AUGMENTATION—A periodic release of natural enemies to increase the present population; a method of biological control.

AVICIDE—A pesticide used to kill or repel birds. Birds are in the class Aves.

BACK-SIPHONING—The movement of liquid pesticide mixture back through the filling hose and into the water source.

BACTERIUM (plural BACTERIA)—Microscopic organisms, some of which are capable of producing diseases in plants and animals. Others are beneficial.

BACTERICIDE—Chemical used to control bacteria.

BAIT—A food or other substance used to attract a pest to a pesticide or to a trap.

BAND APPLICATION—The application of a pesticide in a strip or band of a certain width.

BARRIER APPLICATION—Application of a pesticide in a strip alongside or around a structure, a portion of a structure, or any object.

BENEFICIAL INSECT—An insect that is useful or helpful to humans; usually insect parasites, predators, pollinators, etc.

BIENNIAL—A plant that requires two growing seasons to complete its life cycle.

BIOLOGICAL CONTROL—Control of pests using predators, parasites, and disease-causing organisms. May be naturally occurring or introduced.
BIOMAGNIFICATION—The process whereby one organism accumulates chemical residues in higher concentrations from organisms it consumes.

BOTANICAL PESTICIDE—A pesticide produced from chemicals found in plants. Examples are nicotine, pyrethrins, and strychnine.

BRAND NAME—The name or designation of a specific pesticide product or device made by a manufacturer or formulator; a marketing name.

BROADCAST APPLICATION—A uniform pesticide application to a field or site.

CALIBRATE, CALIBRATION OF EQUIPMENT, OR APPLICATION METHOD—The measurement of dispersal or output and adjustments made to control the rate of dispersal of pesticides.

CARBAMATES (N-methyl carbamates)—A group of pesticides containing nitrogen, formulated as insecticides, fungicides and herbicides. The N-methyl carbamates are insecticides and inhibit cholinesterase in animals.

CARCINOGENIC—The ability of a substance or agent to induce malignant tumors (cancer).

CARRIER—An inert liquid, solid, or gas added to an active ingredient to make a pesticide dispense effectively. A carrier is also the material, usually water or oil, used to dilute the formulated product for application.

CARRYOVER (HERBICIDE)—When a herbicide is not broken down during the season of application and persists in quantities large enough to injure succeeding crops.

CERTIFIED APPLICATORS—Individuals who are certified to use or supervise the use of any restricted-use pesticide covered by their certification.

CHEMICAL NAME—The scientific name of the active ingredient(s) found in the formulated product. This complex name is derived from the chemical structure of the active ingredient.

CHEMICAL CONTROL—Pesticide application to kill pests.

CHEMTREC—The Chemical Transportation Emergency Center has a toll-free number (800-424-9300) that provides 24-hour information for chemical emergencies such as a spill, leak, fire, or accident.

CHLORINATED HYDROCARBON—A pesticide containing chlorine, carbon, and hydrogen. Many are persistent in the environment. Examples: chlordane, DDT, methoxychlor.

CHLOROPHYLL—The green pigment in plant cells that enables the plant to convert sunlight into food.

CHOLINESTERASE, ACETYLCHOLINESTERASE—An enzyme in animals that helps regulate nerve impulses. This enzyme is depressed by N-methyl carbamate and organophosphate pesticides.

CHRONIC TOXICITY—The ability of a material to cause injury or illness (beyond 24 hours following exposure) from repeated, prolonged exposure to small amounts. (See also acute toxicity.)

CLASSES—See taxonomy.

COMMERCIAL APPLICATOR—A certified applicator who uses or supervises the use of any pesticide classified for restricted use for any purpose or on any property other than that producing an agricultural commodity.

COMMON NAME—A name given to a pesticide’s active ingredient by a recognized committee on pesticide nomenclature. Many pesticides are known by a number of trade or brand names, but each active ingredient has only one recognized common name.

COMMUNITY—The various populations of animal species (or plants) that exist together in an ecosystem. (See also population and ecosystem.)

CONCENTRATION—Refers to the amount of active ingredient in a given volume or weight of formulated product.

CONTACT PESTICIDE—A compound that causes death or injury to insects when it contacts them. It does not have to be ingested. Often used in reference to a spray applied directly on a pest.

CONTAMINATION—The presence of an unwanted substance (sometimes pesticides) in or on plants, animals, soil, water, air, or structures.

COTYLEDONS—The first leaf or pair of leaves of a seedling.

CROSS-RESISTANCE—When a pest develops resistance to one type of pesticide and all other pesticides with a similar mode of action.

CULTURAL CONTROL—A pest control method that includes changing human habits—e.g., sanitation, work practices, cleaning and garbage pickup schedules, planting and harvest times, etc.

CURATIVE—The application of a control tactic after the pest has arrived.

CYST (NEMATODES)—The body of the dead adult female nematode of the genus Heterodera or Globodera, which may contain eggs.

DAMPING-OFF—A disease that destroys seedlings near the soil line, resulting in the seedlings falling to the ground.

DECONTAMINATE—To remove or break down a pesticidal chemical from a surface or substance.

DEGRADATION—The process by which a chemical compound or pesticide is reduced to simpler compounds by the action of microorganisms, water, air, sunlight, or other agents. Degradation products are usually, but not always, less toxic than the original compound.

DEPOSIT—The amount of pesticide on treated surfaces after application.
DERMAL TOXICITY—The ability of a pesticide to cause acute illness or injury to a human or animal when absorbed through the skin. (See exposure route.)

DESICCANT—A type of pesticide that draws moisture or fluids from a pest, causing it to die. Certain desiccant dusts destroy the waxy outer coating that holds moisture within an insect’s body.

DETOXIFY—To render a pesticide’s active ingredient or other poisonous chemical harmless.

DIAGNOSIS—The positive identification of a problem and its cause.

DILUENT—Any liquid, gas, or solid material used to dilute or weaken a concentrated pesticide.

DISEASE—A disturbance of normal plant function; caused by bacteria, fungi, virus, or environmental conditions.

DISEASE CYCLE—The basic chain of events involved in disease development.

DISINFECTANT—A chemical or other agent that kills or inactivates disease-producing microorganisms. Chemicals used to clean or surface-sterilize inanimate objects.

DOSE, DOSAGE—Quantity, amount, or rate of pesticide applied to a given area or target.

DRIFT—The airborne movement of a pesticide spray or dust beyond the intended target area.

DRIFT MANAGEMENT PLAN—A written plan required of commercial and private applicators by Michigan Regulation 637 whenever there is a chance of a spray application drifting from the target onto non-target and off-site sensitive areas.

DUST—A finely ground, dry pesticide formulation containing a small amount of active ingredient and a large amount of inert carrier or diluent such as clay or talc.

ECONOMIC DAMAGE—The amount of injury that will justify the cost of applied control measures.

ECONOMIC INJURY LEVEL (EIL)—The smallest pest population that will cause economic loss to the crop.

ECONOMIC THRESHOLD (ET, ACTION THRESHOLD)—The pest density at which a control tactic should be taken to prevent the pest population from increasing to the economic injury level.

ECOSYSTEM—The pest management unit. It includes a community (of populations) with the necessary physical and biotic (food, hosts) supporting factors that allow an infestation of pests to persist.

EMULSIFIABLE CONCENTRATE—A pesticide formulation produced by mixing or suspending the active ingredient (the concentrate) and an emulsifying agent in a suitable carrier. When it’s added to water, a milky emulsion is formed.

EMULSIFYING AGENT (EMULSIFIER)—A chemical that aids in the suspension of one liquid in another that normally would not mix together.

EMULSION—A mixture of two liquids that are not soluble in each other. One is suspended as very small droplets in the other with the aid of an emulsifying agent.

ENCAPSULATED FORMULATION—A pesticide formulation with the active ingredient enclosed in capsules of polyvinyl or other materials; principally used for slow release.

ENDANGERED SPECIES—A plant or animal species whose population is reduced to the extent that it is near extinction and that a federal agency has designated as being in danger of becoming extinct.

ENTRY INTERVAL—See re-entry interval.

ENVIRONMENT—All of our physical, chemical, and biological surroundings, such as climate, soil, water, and air, and all species of plants, animals, and microorganisms.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) — The federal agency responsible for ensuring the protection of humans and the environment from potentially adverse effects of pesticides.

EPA ESTABLISHMENT NUMBER—A number assigned to each pesticide production plant by the EPA. The number indicates the plant at which the pesticide product was produced and must appear on all labels of that product.

EPA REGISTRATION NUMBER—An identification number assigned to a pesticide product when the product is registered by the EPA for use. The number must appear on all labels for a particular product.

ERADICATION—The complete elimination of a (pest) population from a designated area.

EXOSKELETON—The external hardened covering or skeleton of an insect to which muscles are attached internally; periodically shed.

EXPOSURE ROUTE OR COMMON EXPOSURE ROUTE—The manner (dermal, oral, or inhalation/respiratory) by which a pesticide may enter an organism.

FAMILY—See taxonomy

FIFRA—The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act; a federal law and its amendments that control pesticide registration and use.

FLOWABLE—A pesticide formulation in which a very finely ground solid particle is suspended (not dissolved) in a liquid carrier.

FORMULATION—The pesticide product as purchased, containing a mixture of one or more active ingredients, carriers (inert ingredients), and other additives making it easy to store, dilute, and apply.

FRUITING BODY—The part of a fungus that contains spores.

FUMIGANT—A pesticide formulation that volatilizes, forming a toxic vapor or gas that kills in the gaseous state. Usually, it penetrates voids to kill pests.

FUNGICIDE—A chemical used to control fungi.
FUNGUS (plural FUNGI)—A group of small, often microscopic, organisms in the plant kingdom that cause rot, mold and disease. Fungi need moisture or a damp environment (wood rots require at least 19 percent moisture). Fungi are extremely important in the diet of many insects.

GENERAL-USE (UNCLASSIFIED) PESTICIDE—A pesticide that can be purchased and used by the general public. (See also restricted-use pesticide.)

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)—An organized collection of computer hardware, software, geographic data and personnel designed to capture, manipulate, analyze and display geographically referenced data.

GENUS—See taxonomy

GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (GPS)—Portable, satellite-based system which will establish the real-world location (position) of the GPS receiver.

GRANULE—A dry pesticide formulation. The active ingredient is either mixed with or coated onto an inert carrier to form a small, ready-to-use, low-concentrate particle that normally does not present a drift hazard. Pellets differ from granules only in their precise uniformity, larger size, and shape.

GROUNDWATER—Water sources located beneath the soil surface from which springwater, well water, etc., are obtained. (See also surface water.)

HAZARD—See risk.

HERBICIDE—A pesticide used to kill plants or inhibit plant growth.

HOPPERBURN—A V-shaped yellow marking resulting from feeding of leafhoppers.

HOST—Any animal or plant on or in which another lives for nourishment, development, or protection.

HOST RESISTANCE—The defense mechanism of an animal or plant against a pest; sometimes host-plant resistance. See RESISTANCE.

HYPHA (plural HYPHAE)—A single, delicate threadlike structure of fungus.

IGR, INSECT GROWTH REGULATOR, JUVENOID—A pesticide constructed to mimic insect hormones that control molting and the development of some insect systems affecting the change from immature to adult. (See juvenile hormone.)

INCUBATION PERIOD—The time between first exposure to a pathogen and when symptoms begin to appear.

INERT INGREDIENT—In a pesticide formulation, an inactive material without pesticidal activity.

INFECTION—The establishment of a pathogen with a host.

INFECTIONOUS DISEASE—Disease caused by pathogens such as bacteria, viruses, and fungi; can be spread from plant to plant.

INGREDIENT STATEMENT—The portion of the label on a pesticide container that gives the name and amount of each active ingredient and the total amount of inert ingredients in the formulation.

INHALATION—Taking a substance in through the lungs; breathing in. (See exposure route.)

INOCULUM—A pathogen source that can infect and cause disease.

INSECT GROWTH REGULATOR—See IGR.

INSECTICIDE—A pesticide used to manage or prevent damage caused by insects. Sometimes generalized to be synonymous with pesticide.

INSECTS, INSECTA—A class in the phylum Arthropoda characterized by a body composed of three segments (head, thorax, and abdomen) and three pairs of legs.

INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT—See IPM.

IPM—Integrated pest management. A planned pest control program in which various methods are integrated and used to keep pests from causing economic, health-related, or aesthetic injury. IPM includes reducing pests to a tolerable level. Pesticide application is not the primary control method but is an element of IPM—as are cultural, mechanical, and biological methods. IPM programs emphasize communication, monitoring, inspection, and evaluation (keeping and using records).

JUVENILE—The immature or larval stage of nematodes; commonly referred to as J1, J2, J3, and J4.

JUVENILE HORMONE—A hormone produced by an insect that inhibits change or molting. As long as juvenile hormone is present, the insect does not develop into an adult but remains immature.

LABEL—All printed material attached to or on a pesticide container.

LABELING—The pesticide product label and other accompanying materials that contain directions that pesticide users are legally required to follow.

LARVA (plural LARVAE)—An early developmental stage of insects with complete metamorphosis. Insects hatch out of eggs as larvae before becoming pupae (resting stage), and then adults.

LC50—Lethal concentration. The concentration of a pesticide, usually in air or water, that kills 50 percent of a test population of animals. LC50 is usually expressed in parts per million (ppm). The lower the LC50 value, the more acutely toxic the chemical.

LD50—Lethal dose. The dose or amount of a pesticide that can kill 50 percent of the test animals when eaten or absorbed through the skin. LD50 is expressed in milligrams of chemical per kilogram of body weight of the test animal (mg/kg). The lower the LD50, the more acutely toxic the pesticide.

LEACHING—The movement of a substance with water downward through soil.
MESOTRAX—The second segment of an insect’s thorax. One pair of legs and usually one pair of wings are attached.

METAMORPHOSIS—A change in the shape, or form, of an animal. Usually used when referring to insect development.

METATHORAX—The third segment of an insect’s thorax. One pair of legs and often one pair of wings are attached.

MICROBIAL DEGRADATION—Breakdown of a chemical by microorganisms.

MICROBIAL PESTICIDE—Bacteria, viruses, fungi, and other microorganisms used to control pests. Also called biopesticides.

MICROORGANISM—An organism so small it can be seen only with the aid of a microscope.

MITICIDE—A pesticide used to control mites. (See acaricide.)

MODE OF ACTION—The way in which a pesticide exerts a toxic effect on the target plant or animal.

MOLLUSCicide—A chemical used to control snails and slugs.

MOLT—Periodic shedding of the outer layer (e.g., an insect’s exoskeleton is shed periodically).

MONITORING—On-going surveillance. Monitoring includes inspection and record keeping. Monitoring records allows technicians to evaluate pest population suppression, identify infested or non-infested sites, and manage the progress of the management or control program.

MYCELIUM—A mass of hyphae; has a fuzzy appearance.

NECROSIS—Death of plant or animal tissues that results in the formation of discolored, sunken, or necrotic (dead) areas.

NEMATODE—A small, slender, colorless roundworm; nematodes live in soil and water or as parasites of plants or animals.

NEMATICIDE—A chemical used to control nematodes.

NON-INFECTIOUS DISEASE—Disease caused by non-living agents such as drought, soil compaction, temperature or moisture extremes, nutrient deficiency, etc.; cannot reproduce and spread.

NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION—Pollution from a generalized area or weather event.

NON-RESIDUAL PESTICIDE—Pesticides applied to obtain effects only during the time of treatment.

NON-TARGET ORGANISM—Any plant or animal other than the intended target(s) of a pesticide application.

NOZZLE FLOW RATE—The amount of material that passes through the nozzle for a specific amount of time; dependent on pressure and tip size.

NYMPH—The developmental stage of insects with gradual metamorphosis that hatches from the egg. Nymphs become adults.

ORAL TOXICITY—The ability of a pesticide to cause injury or acute illness when taken by mouth. One of the common exposure routes.

ORDER—See taxonomy.

ORGANOPHOSPHATES—A large group of pesticides that contain the element phosphorus and inhibit cholinesterase in animals.

PARASITE—A plant, animal, or microorganism living in, on, or with another living organism for the purpose of obtaining all or part of its food.

PARASITOID—An organism that lives during its development in or on the body of a single host organism, eventually killing it.

PATHOGEN—A disease-causing organism.

PERENNIAL—A plant that lives for more than two years.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)—Devices and clothing intended to protect a person from exposure to pesticides. Includes such items as long-sleeved shirts, long trousers, coveralls, suitable hats, gloves, shoes, respirators, and other safety items as needed.

PEST—An undesirable organism (plant, animal, bacterium, etc.); any organism that competes with people for food, feed, or fiber, causes structural damage, is a public health concern, reduces aesthetic qualities, or impedes industrial or recreational activities.

PESTICIDE—A chemical or other agent used to kill, repel, or otherwise control pests or to protect from a pest.

PETIOLE—The stalk of a leaf.

pH—A measure of the acidity/alkalinity of a liquid—acid below pH7; basic or alkaline above pH7 (up to 14).

pheromone—A substance emitted by an animal to influence the behavior of other animals of the same species. Examples are sex pheromones (to attract mates) and aggregation pheromones (to keep members of the same species together in a group). Some pheromones are synthetically produced for use in insect traps.

PHOTODEGRADATION—Breakdown of chemicals by the action of light.

PHYSICAL CONTROL—Habitat alteration or changing the infested physical structure—e.g., caulking holes, sealing cracks, tightening around doors and windows, moisture reduction, ventilation, etc.

PHYTOTOXICITY—Injury to plants caused by a chemical or other agent.

POINT OF RUNOFF—The point at which a spray starts to run or drip from the surface to which it is applied.

POINT SOURCE POLLUTION—Pollution from a specific source.
POISON CONTROL CENTER—A local agency, generally a hospital, that has current information on the proper first aid techniques and antidotes for poisoning emergencies. Centers are listed in telephone directories.

POPULATION—Individuals of the same species. The populations in an area make up a community. (See ecosystem.)

POSTEMERGENT HERBICIDE—Herbicide applied after weeds have emerged to kill them by contacting the foliage.

PREEMERGENT HERBICIDE—Herbicide applied before emergence of weeds to kill them as they develop (sprout).

PREHARVEST INTERVAL—The minimum amount of time (in days) between the last application and harvest.

PRECIPITATE—A solid substance that forms in a liquid and settles to the bottom of a container; a material that no longer remains in suspension.

PREDATOR—An animal that attacks, kills, and feeds on other animals. Examples of predaceous animals are hawks, owls, snakes, many insects, etc.

PRONOTUM—The area just behind an insect’s head (i.e., the upper plate of the prothorax).

PROPELLANT—The inert ingredient in pressurized products that forces the active ingredient from the container.

PROTECTANT—A chemical applied to a plant or animal to prevent a pest problem.

PROTHORAX—The first segment of an insect’s thorax. One pair of legs is attached.

PUPA (plural PUPAE)—The developmental (resting) stage of insects with complete metamorphosis during which major changes from the larval to the adult form occur.

RATE OF APPLICATION—The amount of pesticide applied to a plant, animal, unit area, or surface; usually measured as per acre, per 1,000 square feet, per linear foot, or per cubic foot.

REENTRY INTERVAL—The length of time following a pesticide application when entry into the treated area is restricted.

REGISTERED PESTICIDES—Pesticide products that have been registered by the Environmental Protection Agency for the uses listed on the label.

REPELLENT—A compound that keeps insects, rodents, birds, or other pests away from humans, plants, domestic animals, buildings, or other treated areas.

RESIDUAL PESTICIDE—A pesticide that continues to remain effective on a treated surface or area for an extended period following application.

RESIDUE—The pesticide active ingredient or its breakdown product(s) that remain in or on the target after treatment.

RESISTANCE—The inherited ability of a pest to tolerate the toxic effects of a particular pesticide.

RESTRICTED-USE PESTICIDE (RUP)—A pesticide that can be purchased and used only by certified applicators or persons under their direct supervision; pesticide classified for restricted use under FIFRA, Section 3(d)(1)(C).

RHIZOME—An underground stem capable of sending out roots and leafy shoots.

RISK—A probability that a given pesticide will have an adverse effect on humans or the environment in a given situation.

RODENTICIDE—A pesticide used to control rodents.

RUNOFF—The movement of water and associated materials on the soil surface. Runoff usually proceeds to bodies of surface water.

SANITATION—The removal of infected plant parts, decontamination of tools, equipment, hands, etc.

SCLEROTIA—A mass of hyphae and food that allows the fungus to survive long periods of extreme hot or cold temperatures and lack of water.

SCOUTING—Regular monitoring of a crop or site to determine possible pest problems.

SCUTUM—Shield-like structure located near the front part of the mesothorax of an insect.

SIGNAL WORDS—Required word(s) that appear on every pesticide label to denote the relative toxicity of the product. Signal words are DANGER-POISON, DANGER, WARNING, and CAUTION.

SITE—Areas of pest infestation. Each site should be treated specifically or individually.

SOIL DRENCH—To soak or wet the ground surface with a pesticide. Large volumes of the pesticide mixture are usually needed to saturate the soil to any depth.

SOIL FUMIGANT—A toxic gas or volatile substance that is used to kill soil microorganisms.

SOIL INJECTION—The placement of a pesticide below the surface of the soil; common application method for nematicides.

SOIL INCORPORATION—The mechanical mixing of a pesticide product with soil.

SOLUTION—A mixture of one or more substances in another substance (usually a liquid) in which all the ingredients are completely dissolved. Example: sugar in water.

SOLVENT—A liquid that will dissolve another substance (solid, liquid, or gas) to form a solution.

SPECIES—See taxonomy.

SPORE—The reproductive stage of a fungus.

SPRAY DRIFT—Movement of airborne spray from the intended area of application.
STOMACH POISON—A pesticide that must be eaten by a pest to be effective; it will not kill on contact.

STOLONS—An aboveground creeping stem that can root and develop new shoots.

STYLET—A long, slender, hollow feeding structure of nematodes and some insects.

SUPPLEMENTAL LABELING—Pesticide label information that appears on a separate piece of paper and contains information regarding the site, pest, rate, etc. Supplemental labeling may be supplied at the time of purchase or requested from the dealer.

SURFACE WATER—Water on the earth’s surface: rivers, lakes, ponds, streams, etc. (See also groundwater.)

SUSPENSION—Pesticide mixtures consisting of fine particles dispersed or floating in a liquid, usually water or oil. Example: wettable powders in water.

TARGET—The plants, animals, structures, areas, or pests at which the pesticide or other control method is directed.

TAXONOMY—The classification of living organisms into groups: kingdom, phylum, class, order, family, genus, and species.

TECHNICAL MATERIAL—The pesticide active ingredient in pure form as it is manufactured by a chemical company. It is combined with inert ingredients or additives in formulations such as wettable powders, dusts, emulsifiable concentrates, or granules.

THORAX—The middle part of an insect’s body, between the head and the abdomen. It is divided into three segments—prothorax, mesothorax, and metathorax. A pair of legs is attached to each thoracic region.

THRESHOLD—A level of pest density at which the pest or its damage becomes unacceptable and control measures are required.

TOXIC—Poisonous to living organisms.

TOXICANT—A poisonous substance such as the active ingredient in a pesticide formulation.

TOXICITY—The ability of a pesticide to cause harmful, acute, delayed, or allergic effects; the degree or extent to which a chemical or substance is poisonous.

TOXIN—A naturally occurring poison produced by plants, animals, or microorganisms. Examples: the poison produced by the black widow spider, the venom produced by poisonous snakes, and the botulism toxin produced by bacteria.

UNCLASSIFIED PESTICIDE—See general-use pesticide.

USE—The performance of pesticide-related activities requiring certification include: application, mixing, loading, transport, storage, or handling after the manufacturing seal is broken; care and maintenance of application and handling equipment; and disposal of pesticides and their containers in accordance with label requirements. Uses not needing certification: long-distance transport, long-term storage, and ultimate disposal.

VAPOR PRESSURE—The property that causes a chemical to evaporate. The higher the vapor pressure, the more volatile the chemical or the easier it will evaporate.

VECTOR—A carrier, an animal (e.g., insect, nematode, mite) that can carry and transmit a pathogen from one host to another.

VERTEBRATE—Animal characterized by a segmented backbone or spinal column.

VIRUS—Ultradisperse parasitic agents composed of proteins. Viruses can multiply only in living tissues and cause many animal and plant diseases.

VOLATILITY—The degree to which a substance changes from a liquid or solid state to a gas at ordinary temperatures when exposed to air.

VOMITOXIN—A toxin produced by the fungus, Fusarium graminearum, wheat scab, that contaminates wheat; toxic to mammals.

WATER TABLE—The upper level of the water-saturated zone in the ground.

WETTABLE POWDER—A dry pesticide formulation in powder form that forms a suspension when added to water.

For the further definition of terms consult:
Pesticide Applicator Core Training Manual, E-2195, Michigan State University Extension.
Region V Office of the EPA, Chicago, Ill.
Michigan Department of Agriculture State Plan for Commercial and Private Applicators.
Federal Agency Secretary’s Office (for federal employees using restricted pesticides in performance of official duties).
Local, state, and national pest control associations.
APPENDIX D

SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Selected Subject References (subjects are in bold print)

Internet Reference Sites
Michigan State University Integrated Pest Management Program: http://www.msue.msu.edu/ipm/
Michigan State University Pesticide Education Program: http://www.pested.msu.edu/
Michigan Department of Agriculture: http://www.mda.state.mi.us/
National Pesticide Information Center: http://npic.orst.edu (pesticide information)
The Extension Toxicology Network: http://ace.ace.orst.edu/info/extoxnet/ (pesticide information)
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): http://www.epa.gov/
Radcliffe’s IPM World Textbook: http://ipmworld.umn.edu/
VegEdge (University of Minnesota): http://www.vegedge.umn.edu
Vegetable Grower News Online: http://www.vegetablegrowersnews.com/
PESTICIDE EMERGENCY INFORMATION

For any type of an emergency involving a pesticide, immediately contact the following emergency information centers for assistance.

Current as of February 2002

Human Pesticide Poisoning

POISON CONTROL
From anywhere in the United States, call
1 - 8 0 0 - 2 2 2 - 1 2 2 2

Special Pesticide Emergencies

Animal Poisoning

Your veterinarian:

Phone No.

or

Animal Health Diagnostic Laboratory (Toxicology)
Michigan State University:
(517) 355-0281

Pesticide Fire

Local fire department:

Phone No.

and

Fire Marshal Division, Michigan State Police:
M – F: 8 – 12, 1 – 5
(517) 322-1924

Traffic Accident

Local police department or sheriff’s department:

Phone No.

and

Operations Division, Michigan State Police:
*(517) 336-6605

Environmental Pollution

District Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) Office Phone No.

Phone No.

and

MDEQ Pollution Emergency Alerting System (PEAS):
*1-800-292-4706
also
*1-800-405-0101

Pesticide Disposal Information

Michigan Clean Sweep, Michigan Department of Agriculture Environmental Stewardship Division.
Monday – Friday: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
(517) 335-6529

Pesticide Fire

Local fire department:

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National Pesticide Information Center

Provides advice on recognizing and managing pesticide poisoning, toxicology, general pesticide information and emergency response assistance. Funded by EPA, based at Oregon State University
7 days a week; excluding holidays
6:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Pacific Time Zone
1-800-858-7378
FAX: 1-541-737-0761