

Legal requirement	<p>Operators and equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All application equipment is serviced and calibrated regularly • All operators using agrochemicals are trained and provided with the necessary safety equipment • Agrochemicals are applied according to the manufacturer's specifications. 	<p>Operators and equipment</p> <p>All application equipment must be serviced and calibrated regularly, and must be maintained in good working order. Each product is registered with a particular application method(s) and no other methods may be employed. These details are printed on the product label. Operators must be trained and provided with the necessary safety equipment stipulated on the label. It is necessary to ensure that all operators who apply agrochemicals under contract to growers are registered to do so as pest control operators. Pest control operators are also required to comply with the Pest Control Operator Regulations (GN R98 of 18 February 2011).</p> <p>Refer to SASRI training videos and training course for operators and supervisors. See references under 'Application of Agrochemicals' above and AVCASA Course Notes, Module 6: Basic Principles of Pest Control Application.</p>
Legal requirement	<p>Disposal of containers and unused chemicals (see also Module 3.4: Pollution Control)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empty chemical containers should be returned to the supplier if this is a requirement stipulated on the label • Empty containers that are not required to be returned to the supplier are rendered unusable • Flammable material from containers may not be burnt, unless at a licensed facility 	<p>Disposal of containers and unused chemicals</p> <p>The disposal of product containers must be carried out in a responsible manner. Pesticide waste and empty containers must be disposed of according to the instructions appearing on the label. The containers of highly toxic, Group 1 poisons must be returned to the supplier for safe disposal. Waste and other containers should preferably be returned to the local supplier or sent to a registered waste disposal company (which is appropriately licenced). Triple-rinsed empty pesticide containers (with the exception of plastics drums that previously contained a pesticide) can be sent to a registered reprocessing company in terms of SANS 10406. Pesticide waste and empty punctured containers may only be disposed of on the farm if the site is registered as a hazardous waste landfill site in terms of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act 59 of 2008. Other requirements of this Act and SANS 10206 must also be adhered to in managing and disposing of pesticide waste and empty containers.</p> <p>In all instances containers must be perforated and rendered unusable after draining and triple rinsing. Glass containers must be shattered, whilst plastic and metal containers must be punctured. Spillage and unused chemical must be collected and may be reapplied to fields following the guidelines in SASRI Information Sheet 11.2.</p> <p>Flammable material from containers may not be burnt, unless thermal destruction occurs at an appropriately licensed facility.</p>