WHAT IS A PESTICIDE SPILL? Any accidental release of a pesticide.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I SPILL A PESTICIDE? Read the Material Safety Data Sheet, then follow these steps:



STEP 1. **Protect** vourself.





STEP 2. Control the spill.

Set container upright. Rope off spill area.

Stay at the site.





STEP 3. Contain the spill. Cover any drain with a mat. Cover spill with absorbent.

Sweep up absorbent.

Shovel absorbent into a container.







STEP 4. Clean up.

Decontaminate the spill.

Cover spill with new absorbent.

Sweep up and shovel absorbent into a container; label the container. CAUTION

Plastic bag



GOLDEN RULE: Never leave a spill unattended



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