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Note: See ch. Ag 163 for rules on pesticide bulk storage.

Ag 162.01 Definitions. As used in this chapter:

(1) "Appurtenances" means all valves, pumps, fittings, pipes, hoses, metering devices, mixing containers and dispensing devices which are connected to a storage container, or which are used to transfer liquid bulk fertilizer into or out of a storage container.

(2) "Bulk fertilizer" means fertilizer distributed in a nonpackaged form. It does not include fertilizer distributed in bags, bottles, or any other container having a capacity of not more than 55 gallons (208 liters) or 500 pounds (226 kilograms).

(2m) "Department" means the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection.

(3) "Discharge" means a spill, leak, accidental or intentional release, or other emission of liquid bulk fertilizer from a container or appurtenance, and includes a discharge into secondary containment. It does not include a fully contained transfer of liquid bulk fertilizer which is made pursuant to sale, storage or distribution.

(4) "Distribute" means to import, consign, sell, offer for sale, solicit orders for sale or otherwise supply fertilizer for sale or use in this state.

(5) "Fertilizer" has the meaning specified under s. 94,64 (1) (e), Stats., except that it does not include anhydrous ammonia.

(6) "Groundwater" means any of the waters of the state, as defined in s. 144.01 (19), Stats., occurring in a saturated subsurface geological formation of rock or soil.

(7) "Inorganic soil" means a soil composed of less than 30% organic matter, measured as less than 15% organic carbon by weight.

(8) "Liquid fertilizer" means a fertilizer in fluid form, and includes solutions, suspensions and slurries.

(9) "Manufacture" means to process, granulate, compound, produce, mix, blend or alter the composition of fertilizer.

(10) "Person" has the meaning specified under s. 144.01 (9m), Stats. Register, February, 1988, No. 386

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(11) "Storage" means storage of bulk fertilizer by a person who manufactures or distributes bulk fertilizer.

(12) (a) "Storage container" means a container, including a rail car, nurse tank or other mobile container, that is used for the storage of liquid bulk fertilizer.

(b) "Storage container" does not include:

1. A mobile container storing liquid bulk fertilizer at a storage facility for less than 15 days, if this storage is incidental to the loading or unloading of a storage container at the storage facility.

2. A mobile container located other than on property owned, operated or controlled by a manufacturer or distributor.

(13) "Storage facility" means a location at which bulk fertilizer is held in storage.

(14) "Waters of the state" has the meaning specified under s. 144.01 (19), Stats.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 12-29-85; cr. (2m), r. and recr. (12), Register, February, 1988, No. 386, eff. 3-1-88.

Ag 162.02 Storage containers and appurtenances; liquid fertilizer. (1) GENERAL REQUIREMENTS. Storage containers and appurtenances shall be constructed, installed and maintained so as to prevent the discharge of liquid bulk fertilizer. Storage containers and appurtenances shall be constructed of materials which are resistant to corrosion, puncture or cracking. Materials used in the construction or repair of storage containers and appurtenances may not be of a type which reacts chemically or electrolytically with stored bulk fertilizer in a way which may weaken the storage container or appurtenance, or create a risk of discharge. Metals used for valves, fittings and storage container repair on metal containers shall be compatible with the metals used in the construction of the storage container, so that the combination of metals does not cause or increase corrosion which may weaken the storage container or its appurtenances, or create a risk of discharge. Storage containers and appurtenances shall be designed to handle all operating stresses, taking into account static head, pressure buildup from pumps and compressors, and any other mechanical stresses to which the storage containers and appurtenances may be subject in the foreseeable course of operations.

(2) APPURTENANCES. (a) Every storage container connection, except a safety relief connection, shall be equipped with a shut-off valve located on the storage container or at a distance from the storage container dictated by standard engineering practice. Valves shall be secured to protect against vandalism or accidental valve openings which may result in a discharge.

(b) Pipes and fittings shall be adequately supported to prevent sagging and possible breakage because of gravity and other forces which may be encountered in the ordinary course of operations.

(3) LIQUID LEVEL GAUGING DEVICE. Every storage container shall be equipped with a liquid level gauging device by which the level of liquid in the storage container can be readily and safely determined. A liquid level gauging device is not required if the level of liquid in a storage container can be readily and reliably measured by other means. Liquid level gaug-Register, February, 1988, No. 386 ters of the state including groundwater. A secondary containment facility shall consist of:

(a) A wall and liner as provided under subs. (3) and (4);

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(b) A prefabricated facility as provided under sub. (5); or

(c) A drainage and basin facility as provided under sub. (6).

(2) CAPACITY. The capacity of a secondary containment facility shall be at least equal to the sum of all of the following:

(a) The greatest volume of liquid which could be discharged from the largest storage container located within the secondary containment facility;

(b) Twenty-five percent of the capacity of the largest storage container located within the secondary containment facility; and

(c) The total volume of discharged liquid which would be displaced by the submerged portions of all other storage containers, fixtures and materials located within the secondary containment facility, if the facility were filled to capacity with discharge liquid.

(3) WALLS. The walls of a secondary containment facility shall be constructed of earth, steel, concrete or solid masonry, and be designed to withstand a full hydrostatic head of any discharged liquid. Cracks and seams shall be sealed to prevent leakage. Walls constructed of earth or other permeable materials shall be lined as provided under sub. (4). Earthen walls shall have a horizontal-to-vertical slope of at least 3 to one, unless a steeper slope is consistent with good engineering practice, and shall be protected from erosion. Walls may not exceed 6 feet (1.8 meters) in height above interior grade unless provisions are made for normal access and necessary emergency access to tanks, valves and other equipment, and for safe exit from the secondary containment facility.

(4) LINING. (a) General requirement. The base of a secondary containment facility, and any earthen walls of the facility shall be lined with asphalt, concrete, an approved synthetic liner, or a clay soil liner designed to limit the permeability of the base and walls. Liners shall meet the requirements of this subsection.

(b) Asphalt or concrete liners. Asphalt or concrete liners shall be de-'signed according to good engineering practices to withstand any foreseeable loading conditions, including a full hydrostatic head of discharged liquid. Cracks and seams shall be sealed to prevent leakage.

(c) Synthetic liners. Synthetic liners shall be approved by the department. Synthetic liners shall have a minimum thickness of 30 mils (0.8 millimeters), and be chemically compatible with the materials being stored within the facility. A synthetic liner may not be approved by the department until the manufacturer of the liner provides the department with a written confirmation of compatibility, and a written estimate of the life of the liner. The synthetic liner shall be protected by a 6 inch (15 centimeter) soil layer below the liner, and a 12 inch (30 centimeter) soil Iayer above the liner. Both soil layers shall be free of large rocks, angular stones, sticks or other materials which may puncture the liner. Synthetic liners shall be installed under the supervision of a qualified representa-tive of the manufacturer, and all field constructed seams shall be tested. tive of the main tive of the manufacturer, and all field constructed seams shall be tested,

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During the months of April and May, the liquid fertilizer level in a storage container need not be measured and recorded weekly, provided that liquid fertilizer is being transfered into or out of the storage container on a regular basis, the storage container is inspected twice weekly, and the liquid fertilizer level is measured and recorded at the end of each month. A written record of all inspections and maintenance shall be made on the day of the inspection or maintenance. Inspection and maintenance records shall be kept at the storage site, or at the nearest local office from which the storage site is administered.

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(9) LABELING OF STORAGE CONTAINERS. Every storage container shall be clearly and conspicuously labeled to identify its fertilizer contents, as provided in s. 94.64 (2) (d), Stats.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 12-29-85.

Ag 162.03 Loading areas; liquid fertilizer. (1) CURBED AND PAVED SUR-FACE; CATCH BASIN. (a) Areas used for loading liquid bulk fertilizer into storage containers, or for unloading liquid bulk fertilizer from storage containers into mobile containers, shall be curbed and paved with asphalt, concrete or other department approved material providing substantially similar protection for the waters of the state. The curbed and paved surface shall form or drain into a liquid-tight catch basin. If the curbed and paved surface drains to a sump, the catch basin may include the sump and an above-ground container, providing a pump is installed which automatically transfers the contents of the sump into an aboveground container. Except as provided in par. (b), curbed surfaces and catch basins shall be of adequate size and design to contain a combined total of at least 1,500 gallons (5,680 liters) of discharged liquid.

Note: The department will maintain a list of approved paving materials for given fertilizer materials, and provide the current list to interested persons upon request. Additional materials may be approved and added to this list upon submission and review of chemical compatibility and permeability information provided to the department by the product manufacturer.

(b) If no storage container used at the storage facility has a capacity of more than 1,000 gallons (3,780 liters), and if no mobile container used to transfer liquid bulk fertilizer to or from storage containers has a capacity of more than 1,000 gallons, the curbed surface and catch basin shall be of adequate size and design to contain 1.25 times the capacity of the largest storage container or mobile container used, whichever is larger.

(2) PROTECTION AGAINST DAMAGE BY MOVING VEHICLES. Storage containers and appurtenances, including pipes, shall be protected against reasonably foreseeable risks of damage by trucks and other moving vehicles engaged in the loading or unloading of bulk fertilizer.

(3) RECOVERY OF DISCHARGES; LOADING AREAS. Discharges incident to loading or unloading shall be promptly recovered from the paved surface and catch basin, such that the capacity required under sub. (1) is available at all times.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 1-1-88; am. (1) (a), Register, February, 1988, No. 386, eff. 3-1-88.

Ag 162.04 Secondary containment; liquid fertilizer. (1) GENERAL RE-QUIREMENTS. Except as provided in sub. (9), storage containers shall be enclosed in a secondary containment facility which is adequate, in the event of a discharge, to prevent the movement of liquid fertilizer to wa-Register, February, 1988, No. 386 ters of the state including groundwater. A secondary containment facility shall consist of:

(a) A wall and liner as provided under subs. (3) and (4);

(b) A prefabricated facility as provided under sub. (5); or

(c) A drainage and basin facility as provided under sub. (6).

(2) CAPACITY. The capacity of a secondary containment facility shall be at least equal to the sum of all of the following:

(a) The greatest volume of liquid which could be discharged from the largest storage container located within the secondary containment facility;

(b) Twenty-five percent of the capacity of the largest storage container located within the secondary containment facility; and

(c) The total volume of discharged liquid which would be displaced by the submerged portions of all other storage containers, fixtures and materials located within the secondary containment facility, if the facility were filled to capacity with discharge liquid.

(3) WALLS. The walls of a secondary containment facility shall be constructed of earth, steel, concrete or solid masonry, and be designed to withstand a full hydrostatic head of any discharged liquid. Cracks and seams shall be sealed to prevent leakage. Walls constructed of earth or other permeable materials shall be lined as provided under sub. (4). Earthen walls shall have a horizontal-to-vertical slope of at least 3 to one, unless a steeper slope is consistent with good engineering practice, and shall be protected from erosion. Walls may not exceed 6 feet (1.8 meters) in height above interior grade unless provisions are made for normal access and necessary emergency access to tanks, valves and other equipment, and for safe exit from the secondary containment facility.

(4) LINING. (a) *General requirement*. The base of a secondary containment facility, and any earthen walls of the facility shall be lined with asphalt, concrete, an approved synthetic liner, or a clay soil liner designed to limit the permeability of the base and walls. Liners shall meet the requirements of this subsection.

(b) Asphalt or concrete liners. Asphalt or concrete liners shall be designed according to good engineering practices to withstand any foreseeable loading conditions, including a full hydrostatic head of discharged liquid. Cracks and seams shall be sealed to prevent leakage.

(c) Synthetic liners. Synthetic liners shall be approved by the department. Synthetic liners shall have a minimum thickness of 30 mils (0.8 millimeters), and be chemically compatible with the materials being stored within the facility. A synthetic liner may not be approved by the department until the manufacturer of the liner provides the department with a written confirmation of compatibility, and a written estimate of the life of the liner. The synthetic liner shall be protected by a 6 inch (15 centimeter) soil layer below the liner, and a 12 inch (30 centimeter) soil layer above the liner. Both soil layers shall be free of large rocks, angular stones, sticks or other materials which may puncture the liner. Synthetic liners shall be installed under the supervision of a qualified representative of the manufacturer, and all field constructed seams shall be tested,

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(9) LABELING OF STORAGE CONTAINERS. Every storage container shall be clearly and conspicuously labeled to identify its fertilizer contents, as provided in s. 94.64 (2) (d), Stats.

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(3) RECOVERY OF DISCHARGES; LOADING AREAS. Discharges incident to loading or unloading shall be promptly recovered from the payed surface and catch basin, such that the capacity required under sub. (1) is available at all times.

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Ag 162.06 Abandoned containers. (1) GENERAL. Storage containers and other containers used at a storage facility to hold bulk fortilizer or fertilizer rinsate are considered abandoned containers under this section if they have been out of service for more than 6 months because of a weakness or leak, or have been out of service for more than 2 years. A secondary containment facility is not considered abandoned merely because there have been no discharges into the secondary containment facility.

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(2) UNDERGROUND CONTAINERS. An underground container, catch basin or lined pit storage container which has been abandoned shall be:

(a) Thoroughly cleaned and removed from the ground; or

(b) Thoroughly cleaned and filled with an inert solid. All connections and vents shall be disconnected and sealed. A record of the container size, location and method of closing shall be maintained for each abandoned container at the storage facility.

(3) ABOVE-GROUND CONTAINERS. Above-ground containers which have been abandoned shall be thoroughly cleaned. All hatches on the containers shall be left open, and all valves or connections shall be severed and sealed.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 12-29-85.

Ag 162.07 Preparations for control and recovery of liquid fertilizer discharges. (1) DISCHARGE RESPONSE PLAN. The operator of a storage facility shall prepare a written discharge response plan for the storage facility. The operator shall keep the plan current at all times. A copy of the plan shall be kept readily available at the storage facility and at the nearest local office from which the storage facility is administered, and shall be available for inspection and copying by the department. The plan shall include:

(a) The identity and telephone number of the persons or agencies who are to be contacted in the event of a discharge, including persons responsible for the stored fertilizer.

(b) An identification of each type of liquid bulk fertilizer stored at the storage facility.

(c) An identification, by location, of every storage container located at the storage facility, and the type of liquid bulk fertilizer stored in each storage container:

(d) For each type of liquid bulk fertilizer stored at the facility, the procedures to be used in controlling and recovering, or otherwise responding to a discharge.

(e) Procedures to be used in disposing of a recovered discharge.

(2) EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES. (a) Every storage facility shall have access to pumps and recovery containers which can be used to control and recover discharges. Pumps, recovery containers, and persons capable of deploying and operating them, shall be readily available in an emergency. Pumps and recovery containers may include pumps and recovery containers operated by a local fire department or other persons, provided that the use and availability of the pumps and recovery containers is arranged in advance as part of a discharge response plan.

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(9) EXEMPTIONS. (a) Large storage containers; exemption from liner requirements. A liner need not be installed directly under a storage container having a capacity of 100,000 gallons (378,000 liters) or more which has been constructed on site and put into use prior to July 1, 1985, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

1. A second bottom made of steel shall be constructed for the storage container. The department may also approve a second bottom made of other materials if the materials, considering the substances held in the storage container, provide protection for the waters of the state that is substantially similar to the protection provided by a liner under sub. (4). Any request for departmental approval shall be supported by a plan, certified by a licensed professional engineer, showing that the proposed use of other materials will provide this protection. The second bottom shall be placed over the original bottom and a layer of smooth, fine gravel or coarse sand having a minimum thickness of 6 inches (15 centimeters).

2. The original bottom of the storage container shall be tested for leaks before the sand layer or second bottom are installed. A record of the test shall be kept on file at the storage facility.

3. The newly constructed bottom shall be tested for leaks before any liquid fertilizer is stored on the newly constructed bottom. A record of the test shall be kept on file at the storage facility, or at the nearest local office from which the storage facility is administered.

4. There shall be a method by which leaks from the newly constructed bottom into the sand layer may be readily detected.

5. The newly constructed bottom shall be tested at least once every 2 years for leaks. A record of the tests shall be kept at the storage facility.

(b) Exemption for rail cars and underground storage containers. The secondary containment requirements under this section do not apply to:

1. Rail cars which are periodically moved from the storage facility.

2. Underground storage containers authorized by s. Ag 162.05, if applicable requirements under that section are met.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 1-1-88; am. (9) (a) 1. and 3. to 5., Register, February, 1988, No. 386, eff. 3-1-88.

Ag 162.05 Underground liquid storage prohibited; exemptions. No person may store liquid bulk fertilizer in an underground or lined pit storage container. This prohibition does not apply to:

(1) Storage in a 316 or 317 stainless steel storage container, or in another container specifically approved by the department, if:

(a) The storage container is enclosed within a suitable liner conforming to the standards set forth under s. Ag 162.04 (4); and

(b) A department-approved program of groundwater monitoring is established at the storage site.

(2) A water-tight catch basin used for the temporary collection of runoff or rinsate from transfer and loading areas, pursuant to s. Ag 162.03.

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(2) UNDERGROUND CONTAINERS. An underground container, catch basin or lined pit storage container which has been abandoned shall be:

(a) Thoroughly cleaned and removed from the ground; or

(b) Thoroughly cleaned and filled with an inert solid. All connections and vents shall be disconnected and sealed. A record of the container size, location and method of closing shall be maintained for each abandoned container at the storage facility.

(3) ABOVE-GROUND CONTAINERS. Above-ground containers which have been abandoned shall be thoroughly cleaned. All hatches on the containers shall be left open, and all valves or connections shall be severed and sealed.

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(a) The identity and telephone number of the persons or agencies who are to be contacted in the event of a discharge, including persons responsible for the stored fertilizer.

(b) An identification of each type of liquid bulk fertilizer stored at the storage facility.

(c) An identification, by location, of every storage container located at the storage facility, and the type of liquid bulk fertilizer stored in each storage container.

(d) For each type of liquid bulk fertilizer stored at the facility, the procedures to be used in controlling and recovering, or otherwise responding to a discharge.

(e) Procedures to be used in disposing of a recovered discharge.

(2) EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES. (a) Every storage facility shall have access to pumps and recovery containers which can be used to control and recover discharges. Pumps, recovery containers, and persons capable of deploying and operating them, shall be readily available in an emergency. Pumps and recovery containers may include pumps and recovery containers operated by a local fire department or other persons, provided that the use and availability of the pumps and recovery containers is arranged in advance as part of a discharge response plan.

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1. A second bottom made of steel shall be constructed for the storage container. The department may also approve a second bottom made of other materials if the materials, considering the substances held in the storage container, provide protection for the waters of the state that is substantially similar to the protection provided by a liner under sub. (4). Any request for departmental approval shall be supported by a plan, certified by a licensed professional engineer, showing that the proposed use of other materials will provide this protection. The second bottom shall be placed over the original bottom and a layer of smooth, fine gravel or coarse sand having a minimum thickness of 6 inches (15 centimeters).

2. The original bottom of the storage container shall be tested for leaks before the sand layer or second bottom are installed. A record of the test shall be kept on file at the storage facility.

3. The newly constructed bottom shall be tested for leaks before any liquid fertilizer is stored on the newly constructed bottom. A record of the test shall be kept on file at the storage facility, or at the nearest local office from which the storage facility is administered.

4. There shall be a method by which leaks from the newly constructed bottom into the sand layer may be readily detected.

5. The newly constructed bottom shall be tested at least once every 2 years for leaks. A record of the tests shall be kept at the storage facility.

(b) Exemption for rail cars and underground storage containers. The secondary containment requirements under this section do not apply to:

1. Rail cars which are periodically moved from the storage facility.

2. Underground storage containers authorized by s. Ag 162.05, if applicable requirements under that section are met.

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(b) A department-approved program of groundwater monitoring is established at the storage site.

(2) A water-tight catch basin used for the temporary collection of runoff or rinsate from transfer and loading areas, pursuant to s. Ag 162.03.

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(2) Non-liquid fertilizer which is spilled while being loaded or unloaded to or from storage shall be promptly recovered, so as to prevent possible seepage or runoff to waters of the state including groundwater.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 12-29-85.

Ag 162.10 Exemptions. The department may exempt any person from a requirement under this chapter if compliance is not technically feasible, but only if the department finds that alternative measures provide substantially similar protection for the waters of the state. A person requesting an exemption shall provide the department with adequate information to show that alternative measures provide substantially similar protection for the waters of the state.

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Ag 162.11 Effective dates. This chapter shall take effect 90 days after publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register, except that ss. Ag 162.03 and 162.04 shall take effect on January 1, 1988.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1985, No. 357, eff. 12-29-85.