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KNAPSACK SPRAYER CHECKLIST

GENERAL CONDITION

Clean
No apparent damage
Strap fixing points secure

O.K. (TICK)

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FILL WITH WATER

Will straps take weight?
Is sprayer stable when filled?

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LEAKAGE CHECK

Check for leaks, upright and on side

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FUNCTION CHECK

Check pressure relief valve to max. limit
Spray Out - Is cut-off valve working?
Is spray pattern correct?
Is nozzle undamaged?
Is nozzle flow rate within 5%
of manufacturer's stated output?

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INTERNAL RESIDUE

Spray out until fan collapses and air appears
Is remaining liquid less than a cupful?

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FOLLOWING USE

Rinse with detergent
Rinse twice with water - flush out through lance
Clean nozzle and all filters in water with soft brush
Clean outside of tank and straps
Follow disposal procedure for rinsings

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For more information visit:
www.cropprotection.org.uk

www.amenity.org.uk
www.voluntaryinitiative.org.uk



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AMENITY PESTICIDES: USER CHECKLIST

Whether you are a large or small organisation, if you use pesticides as part of your work, run through this checklist every time before you start.

CARRY OUT A FULL ASSESSMENT OF THE JOB:

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Have you checked that

- The best control methods including cultural, chemical or a combination of techniques are being used ☐
- Advice has been given by a BASIS registered adviser if you are using a chemical ☐
- Health & Safety and Environmental risk assessments have been conducted ☐
- The correct protective equipment is available and will be worn ☐
- The storage facilities are secure ☐
- The filling and handling area poses no risk of water contamination ☐
- The disposal and clean-up procedure is legal and poses no risk of water contamination ☐
- There is an emergency plan for spills and accidents ☐

WHO IS TO CARRY OUT THE WORK?:

You • Are you qualified and up-to-date with best practice? ☐

Your Staff • Is the operator fully NPTC qualified? ☐

- Have your staff joined the National Register of Sprayer Operators (www.nroso.org.uk) to stay up-to-date with best practice? ☐

If the work is contracted out, check:

- The contractor operators are NPTC qualified & registered with NRoSO or BACCS (BASIS Advanced Contractors Certification Scheme) ☐
- Sub-contractor staff are NPTC qualified & registered with NRoSO or BACCS ☐

IS THE APPLICATION EQUIPMENT PROPERLY MAINTAINED AND IN GOOD ORDER?

- Trailed, mounted or self-propelled equipment: - National Sprayer Testing Scheme (www.nsts.org.uk) tested ☐
- Knapsack and hand-held equipment:
Follow the knapsack checklist (see over) or use NSTS test ☐
- The equipment has been calibrated ☐

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