

## **Dicamba ONLY Products to become RUP on April 30, 2018 in South Dakota**

The legislative Rules Review Committee approved a rule change submitted by the South Dakota Department of Agriculture (SDDA). The new rule designates all pesticide products containing only straight Dicamba active ingredient for agricultural use as restricted use pesticides in South Dakota, **effective April 30, 2018.**

The new rule (12:56:11:02) states the following: *Pesticide products containing the active ingredient Dicamba bearing a label indicating the herbicide:*

- a. Contains only Dicamba active ingredient and intended for agricultural productions used but:*
- i. Does not contain 2,4-D as an active ingredient; or*
  - ii. Is not labeled solely for use on turf or other agricultural use sites.*

SDDA will be notifying commercial and private applicators, pesticide dealers and registrants via letter and email about this change. SDDA also advises that there **is not a separate label needed for these products** since it's written into South Dakota rule. Retailers are expected to know that Dicamba only products are state restricted use products and therefore must meet the state rules for recordkeeping.

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## **Tools Needed to Sell Restricted Use Products in South Dakota**

For a business establishment to engage in distributing RUP's; each location of that establishment must have an individual on-staff who holds a Pesticide Dealers' License. That individual is then responsible for compliance with all state and federal regulations surrounding the distribution of RUP's.

- [Permission Notice](#) to be completed and signed by the certified applicator each time someone other than the certified applicator will be picking up the RUP

- [RUP Sales form pdf](#)
  - [RUP Sales form MS Excel](#)
  - Private Applicators MUST keep records: [Record Keeping Brochure](#)
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## Dicamba Tank Mix Recordkeeping Requirements:

The South Dakota Department of Agriculture (SDDA) requires that applicators need to have the following information **in HAND at the time of application**: *Section 3 label, supplemental label, tank mixes from the manufacturer's website and list must be no more than 7 days before applying product.* Refer to the [SDDA website](#) for this information.

The label "in hand" requirement at time of application proves that applicators had the website printout of approved tank mixes stapled to the spray record. SDDA confirmed that one print out with the records for each day of spraying would be sufficient. The print out with record must **be readily available if asked by an inspector and spray records are to be completed at the end of each day.**

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## Dicamba Classes Complete; On-Line Training Now an Option

The South Dakota Department of Agriculture (SDDA) estimates that 3,539 people have completed dicamba classroom training this winter. SDDA will recognize training that was taken in another state, as long as that State Department of Agriculture approved the training.

For people who missed the training, changed their minds about applying dicamba, were hired just prior to season as an applicator, or who want a refresher of what was covered in the classroom training, you can utilize the Monsanto, BASF, or Corteva (DuPont) on-line training modules to meet the South Dakota training requirement. All companies will provide a certificate of training at the completion of the module, and you can choose from any of the three.

Online training opportunities can be found on the [SDABA website](#) or on the [SDDA website](#).

The SDABA website will remain up throughout the season, and it features Dicamba Success guidance from Dr. Aaron Hager, recordkeeping forms, guides to keeping weather records, a guide on inversions, and other helpful resources.

Reminder: South Dakota pesticide dealers DO NOT have to ask for proof of training prior to selling the RUP dicamba products to a customer. You need only record it as a RUP sale, like all other RUP sales. It is the responsibility of the applicator to obtain and maintain a record of their training.

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## FieldWatch Update: New Technology Improves User Experience; Two New Mobile Apps Launched in April

FieldWatch became available in South Dakota this spring and operates two voluntary mapping tools

that are free for all users: DriftWatch Specialty Crop Site and BeeCheck Apiary Registry. The platforms feature an easy-to-use Google Maps™ interface that clearly shows pesticide applicators the locations of registered areas (sensitive crops or bee hives) so they can use this information to make informed decisions before they spray.

FieldWatch launched two new mobile apps this month that make it easier for members to access and input data. FieldCheck by FieldWatch is designed to give applicators more functionality from their mobile device and while in the field. BeeCheck is designed specifically for beekeepers and will provide the same functionality as the online platform but will make changing the entered location of beehives easier and faster for the beekeepers. Ease of use is key in the ability of producers and beekeepers to maintain current and accurate data in the FieldWatch system. Both apps are available free of charge on Android and iOS.

[FieldCheck for iOS](#)

[BeeCheck for iOS](#)

[FieldCheck for Android](#)

[BeeCheck for Android](#)

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## **BE AWARE: Treated Seed Stewardship**

Stewardship involves the management of treated seeds after they leave the seed treatment facility to minimize the risk of exposure to non-target organisms. This includes educational efforts to help ensure that users understand the importance of their activities in protecting the environment. It is essential to educate those who handle, transport and plant the seed to help ensure that seed treatment solutions result in success for everyone involved and to help minimize the potential for adverse effects on the environment.

Guidelines for managing treated seeds effectively to minimize the risk of exposure to non-target organisms can be found online at [Guide to Seed Treatment Stewardship](#)

Treated Seed Stewardship for Handling Spills can be found [here](#).

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## **REMINDER: Fertilizer Tonnage Fee Increase Effective July 1, 2018**

The total Fertilizer Tonnage Fee of 90 cents effective July 1, 2018:

15 cents – South Dakota Department of Ag Regulatory Fund (Effective February 2, 2009)

50 cents – Nutrient Research and Education Council (Effective July 1, 2016)

**25 cents – Precision Agriculture Fund (Effective July 1, 2018)**

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## Regulatory Compliance Posters in the Mail

Each year, SDABA's partnership with the Asmark Institute enables us to provide our members with a set of compliance posters featuring USEPA Registration Numbers, Worker Protection Requirements and USDOT Shipping Descriptions for Agrichemicals. You should be getting your posters soon. SDABA gets a few extras for our office, so if you determine you need additional posters, please give us a call at 605/224-2445 or email us at [info@sdaba.org](mailto:info@sdaba.org) and we will send you an extra set(s).

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The [Safe & Sound Online Training Management tool](#) is ideal for organizations seeking a comprehensive training solution. The platform incorporates advanced technologies to help you manage your employee training from start to finish, simplifying and streamlining the process.

Safe & Sound is based on professional quality DVDs that are geared for use with monthly, annual and new hire safety training. Thirty-one training subjects form the most extensive library of ag-specific subjects anywhere. A set of DVDs is licensed for exclusive use on-site. Smart Certificates™ apply the latest technology used to track, score and authenticate each employee's training. Click here to view the [Proposal](#) or the [Sample Console](#) for more information.

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### Calendar

#### MARCH

26 - VETO Day for the [2018 Legislative Session](#)

#### JULY

11 thru 12 - Governor's Ag Summit, Rapid City

12 - SDABA Board of Directors Meeting, Pierre

17 thru 18 - IPM Field School

22 thru 26 - 2018 TAL Class Session Two, Washington DC Fly-in

#### AUGUST

21 thru 23 - Dakotafest, Mitchell

30 thru Sept 3 - South Dakota State Fair, Huron

**SEPTEMBER**

4 thru 6 - Mid America CropLife Association Annual Meeting, Des Moines, IA  
5 - SDABA Board of Directors Meeting, Yankton

**NOVEMBER**

15 - SDABA Board of Directors Meeting, Brookings

**DECEMBER**

12 thru 13 - Agronomy Conference, Sioux Falls Convention Center

**2019**

January 15 SDABA Board of Directors Meeting, Sioux Falls  
January 16-17, 2019 - Ag Expo 2019, Sioux Falls Convention Center

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