



# First Aid for Pesticides Exposure

This quick-reference details how to respond and the order of action you should follow if a person or pet has come in contact with pesticides.

## 1. Inhalation

- Remove victim from the area.
- Clear the airway, treat breathing and circulation as necessary (artificial respiration and CPR).
- Refer to label instructions. Check the First Aid Information in the secondary information on the label.

## 2. Eyes

- Get the pesticide out as quickly as possible, using the best water supply available.
- Use a hose at low pressure.
- Wash the eyes with a continuous flow for a minimum of 15 minutes.

## 3. Skin exposure/chemical burn on skin

- Make sure you are protected (gloves)
- Remove any contaminated clothing
- Rinse the skin (or your pets' fur) with water
- Clean the skin (or your pets' fur) with soap and water

## 4. After your basic first aid response:

- Call the BC Drug and Poison Information Centre at 1-800-567-8911 or 911
- Deal with any ingestion based on advice received from label and medical authority.
- Inform them of the active ingredient, the strength and quantity of the formulation, and the length of time the victim was exposed to the pesticide.
- Keep the victim comfortable, warm, and quiet.