Personal Protective Equipment

Minimally wear long sleeved shirt, long pants, chemical resistant gloves and boots. Consider minimizing your exposure with additional personal protective equipment.

Equipment	Protection	Instructions for Use	Warnings	After Use
Chemical resistant gloves	Hand protection is very important. Never handle pesticides without gloves. Most pesticides can be absorbed through the skin on your hands and contaminated hands can transfer pesticides to the eyes, nose and mouth.	Protective gloves are made from various materials including latex, nitrile rubber and polyethylene. Before use, check gloves for leaks. • Wear coverall sleeves outside gloves to prevent spray running down sleeves into gloves. • If there is a chance that pesticide may drip from the glove onto the arm under the protective sleeve (e.g. if it is necessary to work with arms raised upward), tightly secure the garment sleeve to the glove (e.g. with elastic band). Cuff your gloves. This will help prevent a spill from running down the gloves and onto your arms.	Do not use leather, cloth or canvas gloves or cloth-lined gloves. If the glove lining (material on the inside) becomes contaminated with pesticides, it can increase the rate of pesticide absorption into the hand.	Wash with soap and water before removing.

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Equipment	Protection	Instructions for Use		Warnings	After Use
Boots	Waterproof, unlined boots should be worn when mixing or spraying pesticides or when walking in contaminated areas. Knee-length boots offer the best protection.		your municipality	Be careful what kind of rubber boots you choose. Common rubber boots have a lining that can absorb pesticides.	water after
			Unlined rubber boots provide the best protection.	Leather or fabric boots and shoes should not be worn because they will absorb pesticides and cannot be cleaned effectively.	each use.
				Be careful what kind of rubber boots you choose. Common rubber boots have a lining that can absorb pesticides.	
			Wear pant legs outside the tops of your boots.	Copyright elenadesign	
				Don't wear work boots. Leather and canvas absorb pesticides and cannot be properly cleaned. Copyright francesco riccardo iocomino	



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Goggles	Eyes must be protected from pesticides that might drift or splash from various directions (e.g., during spray application).	Goggles will seal the area around your eyes to protect them. Unvented goggles can protect from pesticide vapours as well as splashes. If you wear glasses, be sure the goggles fit over the arms without leaving any gaps.	Do not use designs made only to protect against projectiles from grinding or cutting. These may have ventilation holes which allow pesticides to leak inside. Avoid goggles with a headband material that readily absorbs pesticides. Glasses won't protect your eyes. Wear goggles. Some goggles fit over eyeglasses. Copyright Ingvar Bjork Contact lenses do not provide eye protection. Copyright Rainer Plendl	Wash goggles with soap and warm water after each use.
Dust Masks	Breathing protection	Select domestic products may recommend wearing a dust mask.	Do not use dust masks for pesticides with vapours, as they will not protect you adequately.	Use a disposable dust mask if it recommended on your domestic product's label.



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Hats	Waterproof hats are recommended where pesticides might splash or spray drift might occur at head level.	Wear a wide-brimmed, unlined hat to protect your head and neck	If wearing a rubber rain hat, make sure it does not have a cloth lining. Make sure there is no cloth or leather band inside your hat. The band will absorb pesticide and hold it against your skin. The brim is wide, but cloth will absorb pesticides. Copyright Marek R. Swadzba The cloth on this ball cap will absorb pesticides, and the neck will be unprotected. Copyright Mackey Creations	Wash separately from other clothes.
Chemical Resistant Coveralls	Coveralls keep you and your clothing protected from exposure.	A spray suit will cover your work clothes and keep you protected from exposure. Some waterproof coveralls have hoods. A waterproof hood will protect your head and neck.		Disposable coveralls for pesticide use are designed not to absorb pesticides. They should not be washe and should be thrown out when contaminated damaged or show signs of wear.

