Wheat Scab Update

The rain that was forecast earlier in the week did not manifest. However, current forecasts are calling for an 80% chance of heavy rain on Friday. Fields entering flowering around this time will likely be at risk for scab.

You have a 5-6 day window from the start of flowering (Feekes 10.5.1 yellow anthers from the center of heads) where fields are most susceptible and fungicides are most efficacious for suppression of vomitoxin (DON). Applications to fully headed fields may have some efficacy, but it is not likely to be optimal. Sparse data exist on heading applications and until we have a more complete picture I do not recommend them.

The best fungicides for DON suppression are Prosaro, Caramba, and Proline. Do not use fungicides containing a strobilurin active ingredient (e.g. Quilt, Aproach Prima, Stratego, Headline, Quadris, etc.) as strobilurins have been associated with increased DON levels when applied to heads.

Remember that fungicide use gets you around 42-45% when applied within that 5 day window of the start of flowering unless they are applied to a moderately resistant variety, in which case 75% control is achievable.

For more details, go to the FHB Risk assessment tool at http://www.wheatscab.psu.edu

2014 Pesticide Container Recycling Collection Dates

Please see the attached brochure for area dates and times.

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S
2014 PESTICIDE CONTAINER RECYCLING COLLECTION DATES

EASTERN SHORE

Kent County - Chestertown

LOCATION | DATES | TIME
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Nicholson Transfer | June 13 | 9:00 - 3:00
Facility on Earl Nicholson Road | August 15 | 9:00 - 3:00

Talbot County - Easton*

LOCATION | DATES | TIME
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MidShore Facility on Barker’s Landing Road | June 20 | 8:00 - 12:00
Regional Solid Waste Facility | July 18 | 8:00 - 12:00
Waste Facility on Barker’s Landing Road | August 22 | 8:00 - 12:00

Wicomico County - Salisbury

LOCATION | DATES | TIME
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Newland Park | June 27 | 9:00 - 3:00
Landfill on Brick Kiln Road | July 25 | 9:00 - 3:00
As August 29 | 9:00 - 3:00
September 26 | 9:00 - 3:00

Harford County - Street

LOCATION | DATES | TIME
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Scarboro Landfill, 3241 Scarboro Road | June 6 | 9:00 - 3:00
August 8 | 9:00 - 3:00
September 5 | 9:00 - 3:00

Harford County - White Hall

LOCATION
The Mill of Black Horse 4551 Norrisville Road

LOCATION

Washington County - Hagerstown

LOCATION
Martin’s 13219 Gainesville Road
Elevator 9031 Reich’s Ford Road
July 8 | 9:00 - 3:00
August 5 | 9:00 - 3:00
September 9 | 9:00 - 3:00

Central MARYLAND

Frederick County - Frederick **

LOCATION | DATES | TIME
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Frederick County Landfill, 9031 Reich’s Ford Road | June 24 | 9:00 - 3:00
July 22 | 9:00 - 3:00
August 26 | 9:00 - 3:00
September 23 | 9:00 - 3:00

Western MARYLAND

LOCATION

INСПЕCTION CHECKLIST

- All containers must be made from high density polyethylene (HDPE).
- The container must have held an EPA-registered pesticide or adjuvant, crop oil, etc.
- Pesticide containers must be properly rinsed (pressure-rinsed or triple-rinsed).
- Caps and other non-HDPE parts, such as metal handles and rubber linings, cannot be recycled.
- Stained containers are acceptable provided no material can be smeared or removed when touched by a rubber glove.
- Please remove lids and label booklets prior to recycling.

* Note - Because of legal restraints, only residents from Caroline, Kent, Queen Anne’s and Talbot counties are able to use the collection site in Easton. Lower Shore residents must use the collection site in Salisbury.

* * Note - Frederick County has agreed to allow residents from outside Frederick County to submit empty pesticide containers for recycling, but NO TRASH from outside of the county will be accepted at the landfill under any terms.
The Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) is offering the empty plastic pesticide container recycling program in 2014.

Maryland's pesticide container recycling program is a combined effort of state, county, and federal agencies and private industry working together to protect the environment. Rinsing and recycling empty pesticide containers will help to reduce the potential for contamination of ground water and the Chesapeake Bay while saving valuable landfill space.

A schedule of collection sites and dates is enclosed. **Triple-rinsed (or equivalent), clean, plastic, pesticide containers** will be collected on the scheduled days and times at these sites. Containers acceptable for recycling will be chipped and transported by the contractor, under contract with the Ag Container Recycling Council (ACRC), for processing at an approved recycling facility.

To ensure a successful program, each individual container will be inspected by MDA personnel and only **triple-rinsed (or equivalent), clean, pesticide containers** will be accepted. Any container that is not clean will be returned to the owner, who will be responsible for disposing of the container in a legal manner.

Additional information on the rinsing of empty pesticide containers and recycling program can be obtained from the following MDA publications: *Rinsing & Recycling Empty Pesticide Containers*, and *Pesticide Information Sheet No. 7 - Pesticide Container Recycling Program*. For further information, contact the Maryland Department of Agriculture, Pesticide Regulation Section at 410-841-5710 or visit our website at www.mda.maryland.gov.

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