Henry Sprays It Safe



Trainer guide

A CD-ROM resource to assist market gardeners with chemical spraying

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TRAINER GUIDE

Henry sprays it safe is a CD-ROM resource to assist market gardeners with chemical spraying.

This resource supports the development of the language, literacy and numeracy skills related to selected units of competency common to the

- Conservation and Land Management Training Package (RTD02)
- Rural Production Training Package (RTE 03)
- Amenity Horticulture Training Package (RTF 03).

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INTRODUCTION

Henry Sprays It Safe was funded under the Workplace English Language and Literacy Programme by the Commonwealth Department of Education Science and Training. It has been developed to assist market gardeners with chemical spraying. Many market gardeners are

- sole operators/single person enterprises
- from language backgrounds other than English.

Chemical use has been identified as a high risk activity, which can impact negatively on growers, consumers and the environment.

The resource consists of a CD-ROM and Trainer guide. The learning activities and tasks are drawn from an analysis of the industry units of competency, from site visits to market gardens, interviews with chemical trainers and market gardeners as well as consultations with bilingual support officers in the field.

The resource aims to support the development of the language, literacy and numeracy skills required for a number of key units of competency common to Conservation and Land Management Training Package (RTD02), the Rural Production Training Package (RTE 03) and the Amenity Horticulture Training Package (RTF 03).

These units relate to the safe handling, storage, preparation and application of chemicals at AQF levels I, II and III.

The selected units of competency are:

- RTC 1701A Follow basic chemical safety rules
- RTC 2706A Apply chemicals under supervision
- RTC 3704A Prepare and apply chemicals
- RTC 3705A Transport, handle and store chemicals

The learning sequences and activities have been based around the everyday work of a small enterprise market garden and involve three characters – Henry and Joe, both market gardeners, and Charlie, a chemical reseller.

The grid on pages 10-13 indicates how the activities relate to the underpinning knowledge and skills of particular units of competency.

THE CD-ROM

There are 5 sections on the CD-ROM, which take the learner through a whole spraying sequence, from identifying the pest, discussing options with a chemical re-seller and reading important parts of the chemical label, transporting and storing chemicals, checking and calibrating equipment, mixing, spraying, cleaning up after spraying and keeping records.

In a nutshell, the learner follows Henry, a market gardener as he deals with the problem of 'Bluefly' on his lettuces. He gets help from Charlie, his reseller, in choosing an appropriate chemical and in transporting the chemical home. He then gets help from his neighbour, Joe, in calibrating his equipment for spraying. He then successfully sprays his lettuces.

Throughout this sequence of events, Henry seeks help from the learner with particular tasks related to his lettuces and other crops on his farm.

While the characters and activities are as authentic as possible, it should be noted that the chemicals, pests and diseases are not.

The learner can choose to work through the sections sequentially or in any order.

The largest and most in-depth section (Calibration) covers:

- finding information from the chemical label
- taking measurements
- calibrating equipment
- calculating the amount of chemical per tank
- calculating how much chemical is needed to spray an area.

Each part in the process has been broken into small chunks. This is to ensure that the learner has the opportunity to gain an understanding of the process and to develop the required skills in small manageable steps. There is a practice activity to reinforce the learning at every step. In the practice activities learners are given hints. If they make an incorrect response, they are given the opportunity to try again. On the third incorrect response they are given the correct answer, so they can continue through the activity.

The learner will also learn and practise beginner computer skills while undertaking the activities on the CD-ROM. Navigation has been kept very simple with only a few basic computer actions required. The *How to use the CD-ROM* explains these, and all learners should be directed to use this section before starting the program. However it is possible that some learners may require additional trainer guidance when first using the program.

Other features

Hints

Throughout the CD-ROM, hints are provided for additional information or tips about the topic. These can be accessed by clicking on a flashing red spot on the tool bar.

Printable sheets

There are a number of printable sheets which can be accessed from the CD-ROM itself. These sheets are also available for photocopying from this Trainer guide. (See pages 25 to 53)

1. Sheets for recording information

Key record sheets modeled on those currently used in the industry are provided for learners to use in the activities. These are also used by the characters in the CD-ROM. They are:

- Calculation sheet (for learners to record measurements and calculations)
- Calibration record
- Spray application record
- Storage record

2. Information sheets

Where there is a lot of information to be given, one-page summaries can be printed for further reference. These are:

- Ute it don't boot it (information about safe transporting of chemicals)
- Cleaning up after spraying
- Beaufort scale

3. Maths practice sheets

Worksheets are provided to assist learners to develop and practise the maths skills required for the calculations in chemical spraying. These are:

- Changing centimetres to metres
- Changing litres to millilitres
- Changing millilitres to litres
- Changing square metres to hectares
- Working out 10%

4. Glossary - Words to know

A glossary is provided for learners to refer to for the meanings of key terms. This glossary is also included in this trainer guide at page 54. It could be photocopied for learners if appropriate.

TIPS FOR TRAINERS

Henry Sprays It Safe is not a complete training program. It can be used by a trainer in conjunction with other teaching, learning and assessment materials and activities. A range of additional material is summarised in the Useful Resources section pp 20-24 of this trainer guide.

It is suggested that the trainer work through the sections first, and choose appropriate parts for use within a training session. After each section, ask questions to check for understanding and allow time for discussion and review of the material covered.

The printable sheets on the CD-ROM are included in this trainer guide. These can be printed, copied and discussed prior to the learners using the CD-ROM.

Initially, learners can be encouraged to work through the sections in order. Later the user can return to sections where they want or need more practice or revision.

The simulated tasks performed on the CD-ROM need to be supported with real chemical labels and Material Safety Data Sheets using equipment appropriate to the crop and area to be covered, and focusing on the pests common to the crop and region.

As said earlier, while navigation has been kept simple, some learners may not have computer skills, and may need initial guidance on how to use the CD-ROM. For example, they may need help with clicking with a mouse, using enter and delete, moving the cursor and clicking in a box, printing worksheets, moving from screen to screen and using the online calculator.

Trainers need to be aware that many older workers may not be familiar with metric units or with using a calculator and may need to be shown how to enter numbers including decimals, and to perform operations.

REFERRALS

If trainers identify learners in their group who require further assistance with English language, literacy or numeracy, they could encourage learners to seek further training.

There is a National Reading-Writing Hotline which provides advice on how to access classes throughout Australia. The hotline number is 1300 655 506.

Trainers can pass on this information discretely, or offer to make the call on the learner's behalf.

SECTIONS ON THE CD-ROM

The table below outlines the content of the CD-ROM. The trainer can choose which sections are most suited to the purpose of different parts of their training.

SECTION	SUB-SECTION	WHAT'S THERE
Introduction		The purpose of the CD-ROM, the characters and the
		setting
How to use		General navigation from the Home page and using the
		Shovel and circles
		Speaker - volume
		Book - a dossary
		Question mark – hints and printable worksheets for
		extra help
		Sheet – Calculation Sheet to print
1. Choosing	1. At the farm	Scenario using a fictitious insect and chemical: Henry
chemicals		finds Bluefly on his lettuces
		Identification of a pest.
	2. At the resellers	Herbicides, pesticides, fungicides.
		From sub-section 2 to 6 Henry and Charlie work out
		that Bugaway is the best chemical to use.
	3. Broad Claims for	Chemical label – Broad Claims for Use section
	Use	
	4. Mode of Action	Chemical label – <i>Mode of Action</i> section
	5. Signal Heading	Chemical label – Signal Heading section
	6. Withholding	Chemical label – Withholding Period section
		Devicion of where on the label to find Preed Claims for
	7. Overview	Lise Signal Heading Withholding Period and Mode of
		Action
		Asking for the MSDS
	8 Activity 1	Practice activity - Look at the Broad Claims for Use to
		choose the most suitable chemical
	9. Activity 2	Practice activity - Look at the Signal Heading to
	, ,	identify how poisonous a chemical is
	10. Activity 3	Practice activity - Look at the Withholding Period and
		find when the crop can be harvested
2. Transport	1. Safe transport	Transporting chemicals, Dangerous Goods signs.
and store	2. Safe storage	Storage shed, Labelled containers
		How chemicals can harm you
		Hazardous substances and the MSDS
	3. Storage Record	Keeping Storage Records – demonstration of how to
		fill in a Storage Record Sheet
	4. Activity	Practice activity - Print out and fill in a Storage Record
		Sheet

SECTION	SUB-SECTION	WHAT'S THERE
3.Calibrating and measuring	1. Introduction	The reason for calibrating The approach taken on this CD-ROM – 5 steps Getting ready to calibrate – what you need The Calculation Sheet
	 Step 1 – Recording information 	Scenario using a fictitious insect and chemical: Joe wants to use his 200L tank to spray his cucumber crop for cucumber mite using Buzoff. Joe records: Chemical Application Rate Water Application Rate Tank size Pump pressure Nozzle Size
	3. Step 1 - Activity	Scenario using the same fictitious insect and chemical from section 1 – Henry wants to use his 15L knapsack sprayer to spray his lettuce crop for Bluefly using Bugaway. Practice activity – Help Henry find and record: Chemical Application Rate Water Application Rate Tank size Pump pressure Nozzle Size
	 Step 2 – Taking measurements 	Joe measures: Nozzle output Spray width Walking speed
	5. Step 2 - Activity	Practice activity - Help Henry measure: Nozzle output Spray width Walking speed
	6. Step 3 – Calibrating equipment	Joe calculates the Sprayer Application Rate using a formula
	7. Step 3 - Activity	Practice activity - Help Henry calculate the Sprayer Application Rate using a formula
	 Step 4 – Chemical per tank 	Joe calculates how much chemical to put in a tank using a formula
	9. Step 4 - Activity	Practice activity - Help Henry calculate how much chemical to put in a tank using a formula
	10. Step 5 – Area, tanks and chemical	Joe calculates: Area to spray in square metres and hectares How many tanks are needed How much chemical is needed for the job
	11. Step 5 - Activity	Practice activity - Help Henry calculate: Area to spray in square metres and hectares How many tanks are needed How much chemical is needed for the job
	12. Overview	Keeping a record of calibration calculations using a Calibration Record Sheet Review of when to calibrate

SECTION	S	UB-SECTION	WHAT'S THERE
4. Calibrating – test yourself	1.	Introduction	Scenario using a fictitious insect and chemical – Henry wants to use his 100L tank to spray his tomatoes for rust using Gonno Print a Calculation Sheet
	2.	Step 1	Practice activity - Help Henry find and record: Chemical Application Rate Water Application Rate Tank size Pump pressure Nozzle Size
	3.	Step 2	Practice activity - Help Henry measure: Nozzle output Spray width Walking speed
	4.	Step 3	Practice activity - Help Henry calculate the Sprayer Application Rate using a formula
	5.	Step 4	Practice activity - Help Henry calculate how much chemical to put in a tank using a formula
	6.	Step 5	Practice activity - Help Henry calculate: Area to spray in square metres and hectares How many tanks are needed How much chemical is needed for the job
	7.	Recording	Practice activity - Copy calibration calculations onto a Calibration Record Sheet
5. Spray and clean up	1.	Critical Comments	Critical Comments about spraying on the label
	2.	Weather	Suitable weather for spraying: Wind speed and direction Temperature Humidity
	3.	Critical Comments Activity	Check Critical Comments on the label
	4.	Weather - Activity	Practice activity - Check suitable weather for spraying: Wind speed and direction Temperature Humidity
	5.	PPE	Personal protective equipment – finding information Demonstration of PPE
	6.	Mixing	Where to mix How to mix How much chemical
	7.	Mixing - Activity	Practice activity - How much chemical to use.
	8.	Spraying	Careful spraying – watch out for sensitive areas and no spray drift
	9.	After spraying	Clean Up After Spraying printable sheet Check equipment Check Re-entry Period on the label Check Withholding Period on label Spray Application Record Form

TRAINING PACKAGES

Grid of learning activities

The grid below shows how the sections on the CD-ROM relate to the selected units of competency. These units are in a large number of qualifications. Trainers should check which units are required for the qualification they are delivering, so that learners can be directed to complete only those sections required for the particular qualification.

Unit of	Element	Performance Criteria Section
RTC1701A Follow basic chemical safety rules	1. Follow workplace requirements and instructions concerning chemicals.	1.2 Safety procedures involved in chemical handling and use are recognised and followed as required Spray and clean up: PPE, Spraying, After spraying
	2. Recognise risks associated with chemicals.	2.2 Chemical labels and symbols are recognized and hazards identified.
		2.3 Chemical storage locations are Transport and identified. Store: Safe storage
		2.4 Instructions for transport, handling and storage if chemicals are recognised and observed. Transport and store: Safe transport, Safe storage
	3. Follow chemical handling and storage rules	3.3 Appropriate personal protective equipment is obtained and used when working in areas where chemicals are used or stored.

Unit of Competence	Element	Performance Criteria	Section and Sub-Section
RTC2706A Apply chemicals under supervision	1. Follow instructions to check and maintain application of personal protective equipment	1.1 Pre and post operational checks and maintenance on application equipment are carried out according to manufacturer's specifications and enterprise procedures.	Calibrating and measuring: Step 2 – Taking measurements
		1.2 Application and personal protective equipment are prepared and adjusted for use appropriate to the situation and in accordance with OHS requirements.	Spray and clean up: PPE
	2. Use application and personal protective equipment	2.1 Chemical label is interpreted	Choosing chemicals Spray and clean up: Critical Comments

RTC2706A Apply chemicals under supervision continued		2.2 Application and personal protective equipment appropriate to the task are recognized and used, maintained and stored according to enterprise and OHS requirements.	Spray and clean up: PPE
		2.3 Measurement and decanting of substances comply with directions.	Spray and clean up: Mixing
		2.5 Procedures in the event of a chemical spill are identified and followed.	Spray and clean up: After spraying
	3. Apply chemicals	3.2 Requirements for application equipment to accurately and effectively apply the required dose of chemical to the target are followed.	Calibrating and measuring: Step 3 – Calibrating equipment
	4. Follow instructions to empty and clean	4.1 Instructions for clean-up are identified.	Spray and clean up: After spraying
	equipment and containers according to	4.2 Equipment and clean-up methods using appropriate tools are followed.	Spray and clean up: After spraying
	directions	4.3 Instructions for disposal of containers and unused chemical or biological agents are identified.	Spray and clean up: After spraying
	5. Complete chemical records	5.1 Chemical inventory is recorded as instructed and as required by regulations.	Transport and store: Storage record
		5.2 Chemical application details are reported and instructed as required by regulations.	Spray and clean up: After spraying
	 Transport, handle and store chemicals 	6.1 Transport, handling and storage requirements for chemicals are recognised and followed.	Transport and store
	according to instructions and legislative requirements	6.2 Requirements for storage of chemicals at the workplace are recognised and followed.	Transport and store

Unit of Competence	Element	Performance Criteria	Section and Sub-Section on CD-ROM
RTC3704A Prepare and apply	1. Determine the need for chemical	1.1 Nature and level of the pest, weed infestation or disease is identified.	Choosing chemicals: At the farm
chemicals	use	1.2 Need for action is assessed.	Choosing chemicals: At the reseller
		 Hazard and risk analysis of different chemical options is undertaken. 	Choosing chemicals: At the reseller
	2. Prepare appropriate chemical	2.1 Chemical label and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) are read and understood.	Choosing chemicals: At the reseller Transport and store: MSDS

DT007044		2.2 Labels are checked to ensure	Choosing
RIC3/04A Prenare and apply		chemicals meet user requirements and	chemicals
chemicals		specifications.	
continued	3. Prepare to use	3.1 Personal protective equipment	Spray and clean
	chemicals	is selected and checked for use	up: PPE
	label and MSDS	MSDS.	
		3.5 Mixing rates are defined and	Calibrating and
		calculated.	Spray and clean
			up: Mixing
		3.6 Directions, standards and	Spray and clean
		mixing chemicals are followed.	up. Mixing
	4. Apply chemicals	4.1 Meteorological conditions and	Spray and clean
		forecasts are assessed prior to	up: Weather
		4.2 Hazards of particular chemicals	Choosing
		are identified.	chemicals: Signal
			heading Transport and
			storage: Safe
			storage - MSDS
		4.3 Risks to others and the environment are assessed and	Choosing chemicals: Signal
		controlled.	heading
		4.4.Application on viewant	Spray and clean up
		calibration procedures are	measuring
		followed.	Calibrating – test
		4.5 Procedures and precautions for	yourself
		the use of the chemicals are	chemicals: Signal
		interpreted from labels and	heading
		accreditation requirements.	Spraying and clean
			Calibrating and
		4.7. Observiceds are explicitly of the	measuring
		and effectively according to	Spraying and clean
		directions.	
		4.8 Chemicals spills or accident	Spray and clean
		procedures are followed.	up. Alter spraying
	5. Clean up following	5.2 Requirements for cleaning	Spray and clean
	chemical	equipment and sites are defined and followed according	up: After spraying
		to directions and standards.	
	6. Record application	6.1 Application of chemicals is	Spray and clean
	uetaiis	organisation procedures, label	up. Alter spraying
		directions and legislation.	
		6.2 Details of the specific	Spray and clean
		recorded correctly in the	up. Aller spidyilly
		chemical inventory according to	
		regulations.	

Unit of Competence	Element	Performance Criteria	Section and Sub-Section
RTC3705A Transport, handle and store chemicals	1. Transport and handle chemicals and biological agents	1.1 Transport methods according to label and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) are identified and confirmed to safely transport the chemical.	Transport and store: Safe transport
		1.2 Risks involved in transport and handling are identified and recognised.	Transport and store: Safe transport
	2. Store chemicals in the workplace	2.3 Storage method selected is appropriate for chemical concerned.	Transport and store: Safe storage
	 Record storage details 	3.1 Chemical store inventory is maintained.	Transport and store: Storage record
		3.2 Storage of chemicals is recorded in accordance with OHS and enterprise requirements.	Transport and store: Storage record

ASSESSMENT

Learners using *Henry Sprays It Safe* are working towards the selected industry units of competency. The learning sequences and activities do not comprise a complete training program, so formal assessment events have not been included. Learners can assess their progress in completing the activities on the CD-ROM, as feedback is provided for both correct and incorrect responses.

Trainers can undertake ongoing assessment of learners through demonstration of processes, oral questioning of knowledge and observation.

Trainers can sign and present learners with a *Learning Achievements Checklist*, which is available for copying on pages 16 - 19. The *Learning Achievements Checklist* is a summary of what learners have achieved by successfully completing the activities on the CD-ROM. The completed checklist, along with worksheets such as the *Calculation sheet* can be used as a piece of evidence/or can contribute towards the required evidence when learners are assessed against the relevant units of competence.

The activities in the RTC 1701A RTC 2706A RTC 3704A RTC 3705A	CD-ROM are based on the units of competency Follow basic chemical safety rules Apply chemicals under supervision Prepare and apply chemicals Transport, handle and store chemicals
RTC 1701A	Follow basic chemical safety rules
	(name)
By completing the re has demonstrated th	elevant activities about chemical spraying on the CD-ROM, the learner nat he/she can:
□ recognise safety	procedures involved in chemical handling and use
recognise chemi	cal labels and symbols
□ identify suitable of	chemical storage conditions and locations
□ recognise instruc	ctions for transport, handling and storage of chemicals
□ locate specific in	formation from chemical labels
recognise workp	lace instructions and directions from the chemical label or MSDS
identify the chem transport, handling a	nical re-seller as a source of information and clarification on use, and storage of chemicals
Signed:	Date: (trainer)

RTC 2706A Apply chemicals under supervision

By completing the relevant activities about chemical spraying on the CD-ROM, the learner has demonstrated that he/she can:

(name)

□ locate and interpret information from a chemical label eg mode of action, signal heading, broad claims for use, withholding period

□ locate relevant information MSDS eg Hazardous Goods class, hazard information, what personal protective equipment (PPE) to wear

- □ identify procedures in the event of a chemical spill
- □ identify instructions for cleaning equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE)
- □ report storage information as required by regulations
- □ report chemical application details as required by regulations
- □ recognize requirements for transport, handling and storage of chemicals
- □ recognize requirements for storage of chemicals at the workplace
- □ measure metric quantities using simple measuring instruments in a simulated activity
- □ check settings of equipment eg nozzle size, pump pressure, in a simulated activity
- □ calculate time periods before work can continue in an area following spraying of

chemicals

□ use symbols and conventions relevant to the task. eg L/ha

□ identify the chemical re-seller as a source of information and clarification on use, transport, handling and storage of chemicals

Signed:		Date:	
	(trainer)		

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RTC 3704A Prepare and apply chemicals

By completing the relevant activities about chemical spraying on the CD-ROM, the learner has demonstrated that he/she can:

(name)

d identify information on chemical labels and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) about hazards and risks of different chemical options

Iocate specific information from Chemical labels and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) eq mode of action, signal heading, broad claims for use, withholding period, Dangerous Goods class, what personal protective equipment (PPE) to wear

□ interpret the information from chemical labels about whether the chemical meets their requirements and specifications eg suitability for crop, appropriate withholding period

□ calculate metric quantities eg area, capacity, volume, length, and undertake conversions between metric units eq litres to millilitres, square metres to hectares

- □ measure nozzle output, spray width and walking speed
- **d** calculate area, the amount of chemical required and mixing rate

□ use formulas to undertake calculations for calibrating equipment and amount of chemical required for a job

□ use a calculator to calculate sprayer application rate, amount of chemical per tank, number of tanks and amount of chemical required for the job

- **c** consider meteorological conditions and forecasts prior to and during application
- **c** consider risks to others and the environment eg consider spray drift, withholding period
- □ follow procedures for calibrating application equipment
- identify requirements for cleaning up after spraying and for dealing with spills
- **I** record application of chemicals according to label directions and legislation
- □ identify contact numbers in case of emergency

□ identify the chemical re-seller as a source of information and clarification on use, transport, handling and storage of chemicals

Signed: ______(trainer) Date:

RTC 3705A Transport, handle and store chemicals

(name)
By completing the relevant activities about chemical spraying on the CD-ROM, the learner has demonstrated that he/she can:
identify risks involved in transport and handling of chemicals
identify suitable conditions and locations for storage of chemicals
record storage of chemicals in accordance with legislative requirements
Iocate relevant information MSDS involved in transport and handling of chemicals eg Hazardous Goods class, hazard information, what personal protective equipment to wear
identify the chemical re-seller as a source of information and clarification on use, transport, handling and storage of chemicals
identify requirements for cleaning up after spills
Signed: Date: (trainer)

USEFUL RESOURCES

VIDEOS

Title	Integrated Pest Management for Brassicas (41 mins)
Publisher	Institute of Horticultural Development, Knoxfield, Victoria, 2002
Summary	Documents how growers Australia-wide are adopting IPM and improving their
	business, the environment and the health of their families

Title	Safe Use of Pesticides
Publisher	Originally published by Health Department of WA.
Summary	Available in a range of languages.
_	Department of Primary Industries, Victoria re-published the video with voiceovers in
	a number of languages. NSW Department of Environment and Conservation will
	shortly re-publish id several other languages.

Title	Healthy Harvest
Publisher	Swinburne TAFE, Vic
Summary	This video shows the importance of spraying correctly and the consequences if you
	don't. Available in a range of languages

Title	Dealing with Chemical Safety
Publisher	Safety Care Australia, c1989 Rowville, Vic
Summary	General chemical video about the hazards to health, the environment and fire (no market gardening)
	manor gardening/

Title	How to get the most from your spray unit
Publisher	Ag-Link,Toowoomba, Qld.
Summary	Covers topics such as the appropriate nozzle to use and the correct applicators.

Title	Using farm chemicals
Publisher	Produced for Brookway Park School of Horticulture, Gilles Plains College of TAFE by Educational Media Unit, Centre for Applied Learning Systems, Adelaide College of TAFE, Adelaide SA c1992.
Summary	14 videocassettes (VHS)
	Prog.1. Farm chemicals
	Prog.2. Selecting farm chemicals
	Prog.3. What's on the label
	Prog.4. Transportation and storage
	Prog.5. Location check
	Prog.6. Suitable conditions
	Prog.7. Personal safety & protective equipment
	Prog.8. Calibrating equipment
	Prog.9. Mixing safely
	Prog.10. Applying farm chemicals
	Prog.11. Washdown and decontamination
	Prog.12. Clean-up procedure
	Prog.13. Keeping records
	Prog.14. Integrated pest management (I.P.M.)

Title	Spraying solutions
Publisher	Kondinin Group, Cloverdale, W.A., 2001

Title	Working with pesticides
Publisher	Open Training and Education Network, Sydney 1992
Summary	An expert panel discuss four topics of pest control - masks & respirators, why they should be worn and how to fit them; mixing pesticides safely and efficiently; licenses and permits; pest collections, equipment needed and method to prepare a collection. Related to house fumigation but has good information on PPE and how to mix chemicals. Covers topics such as the appropriate nozzle to use and the correct applicators.

Title	The easy guide to handling hazardous chemicals
Publisher	Workplace Video Productions, Victoria c1992
Summary	This video highlights the importance of safety when working with hazardous chemicals in the workplace. It highlights areas such as the material safety data sheet, personal protective equipment, personal hygiene, housekeeping, hazard control and what to do in case of an emergency

Title	Using chemicals safely
Publisher	ChemCert Australia (Vic), Workplace Skills Access, Swinburne University of
	Technology TAFE with funds from Department of Education, Science and Training,
	for the WELL Programme.
Summary	The video provides comprehensive coverage of the standards RTC 1701A Follow basic chemical safety rules and RTC 2706A Apply chemicals under supervision. It supports the "Using chemicals safely" introductory program for people who work with chemicals under supervision.Included are sections on pest control, chemical labels, transport and storage, personal protective equipment, preparing equipment, and chemicals, applying chemicals, cleaning up and keeping records. It is accompanied by a training manual.

Title	How to get the most from your spray unit
Publisher	Ag-Link,Toowoomba, Qld.
Summary	Covers topics such as the appropriate nozzle to use and the correct
	applicators

BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS

Title	Australian Vegetable Growing Handbook / [John Salvestrin, editor].
Publisher	Irrigation Research & Extension Committee [and] NSW Agriculture, Griffith, NSW.
	1991
Summary	Good information, tables and pictures on pest and weed control.

Title	Integrated pest management in Greenhouse vegetables: Information Guide and Field Identification Guide Integrated pest management in Lettuce : Information Guide and Field Identification Guide
Publisher	NSW Agriculture, 2002
	Available from Department of Primary Industries Bookshop Ph: 1800 028 374
Summary	Two small concise guides which can be carried around and used by farmers to
_	check what sort of pest they have

Title	Understanding farm chemical labels: support materials for the Farm Chemicals Users Course / Workplace Language Unit, Eastern TAFE, Melbourne for the WELL Program on behalf of the Department of Education, Employment, Training and Youth Affairs
Publisher	Workplace Language Unit, Outer Eastern Institute of TAFE, Wantirna South, Vic. c1996
Summary	A resource which can be used as a student's workbook covering important aspects of reading and understanding chemical labels. It is suitable for users from non English speaking backgrounds in particular and has lots of activities and information.

Title	Spray Sense – safe and effective use of farm chemicals
Publisher	NSW Dept of Primary Industries, 2004.
Summary	The Spray Sense series was originally published as 12 individual leaflets between
_	1995 and 1996. The series was updated and expanded to 17 leaflets and is
	available from the Dept of Primary Industries website www.agric.nsw.gov.au. The
	main purpose is to provide up-to-date information to users of agricultural chemicals

Title	Chemical Spraying and Handling Learning and Assessment Guide
Publisher	NSW Agriculture, 2004
	Murrumbidgee College of Agriculture, Yanco NSW 2703
	ph:1800 628 422
Summary	The Chemical Spraying and Handling Learning and Assessment Guide is a
_	workbook to assist learners to gather the evidence required to achieve the unit of
	competency RTC 2706A Apply chemicals under supervision.

Title	Safe Use of Hazardous Substances Learning and Assessment Guide
Publisher	NSW Agriculture, 2004
	Murrumbidgee College of Agriculture, Yanco NSW 2703
Summary	The Safe Use of Hazardous Substances Learning and Assessment Guide is a
_	workbook to assist learners to gather the evidence required to achieve the unit of
	competency 2701A Follow OHS Procedures.

Title	Chemical Application Assessment Guide
Publisher	NSW Agriculture, 2004
	Murrumbidgee College of Agriculture, Yanco NSW 2703
	ph:1800 628 422
Summary	The Chemical Application Assessment Guide is a workbook to assist learners to
	gather the evidence required to achieve competency in chemical application at AQF
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TOOLBOXES

Title	Horticulture (304)
Project	Ms Jill Jamieson
manager	Challenger TAFE, Fremantle, WA
_	Ph: (08) 92398207
Website	http://flexiblelearning.net.au/toolbox/series3/304.htm
Summary	This toolbox supports the Cert II in Horticulture
_	The activities and resources in this Toolbox are located within a fictitious horticultural
	setting that includes a garden area, a nursery, a pergola, a machinery shed and a
	lunchroom. The competency unit related to chemical spraying is
	RUH HRT 227 Recognise plants, products and treatments

Title	Amenity Horticulture (605)
Project	Ms Anelieske Noteboom
manager	Challenger TAFE, Fremantle, WA
_	Ph: (08) 92398524
Website	http://flexiblelearning.net.au/toolbox/series6/605.htm
Summary	This toolbox supports the Cert III and IV in Horticulture.

Title	Horticulture for Indigenous Learners (422)
Project	Challenger TAFE, Fremantle, WA
manager	
Website	http://flexiblelearning.net.au/toolbox/series4/422.htm
Summary	This toolbox supports the Cert II in Horticulture In particular, the nursery and parks and gardens sectors have been targeted, but some of the Units of Competency are valid for all seven industry sectors in Horticulture and for Production Agriculture. The activities and resources in this Toolbox are located within a fictitious horticultural setting that includes a garden area, a Meeting Place, a nursery, a machinery shed and a lunchroom. The competency unit related to chemical spraying is RUH HRT 227 Recognise plants, products and treatments

Title	NurseryLive!
Project	Gerard Marcus
manager	Holmesglen Training and Development, Holmesglen Institute of TAFE, ANTA
	Initiative, 2003
Website	http://flexiblelearning.net.au/toolbox/series6/605.htm
Summary	This toolbox supports the Cert III in Horticulture and covers the following
	competency standards.
	RUHHRT303A Maintain nursery plants
	RUHHRT317A Control pests and diseases
	RUHHRT353A Select chemicals and biological agents.
	Nursery <i>Live!</i> features a simulated nursery, in which the user interacts with a variety of plants in order to complete certain tasks. Plants must be watered, fertilised and monitored to ensure their health. Pests and disease must also be controlled.

CD-ROMS

Title	Prime Notes – Version 8
Publisher	DPI Publications, Dept of Primary Industries, Brisbane, 1999
Summary	Advisory information for Agriculture and Natural Resources provided
_	by State Government Departments, Centres and Corporations Australia wide. To
	find an article you simply type in a keyword and a list of possible articles will appear.
	This CD should be updated every 6 months.

WEBSITES

Chemlink – Health and safety for chemical users <u>www.chemlink.com.au/health.htm</u>

NSW Environment Protection Authority's home page <u>www.epa.nsw.gov.au/home.htm</u>

NSW EPA information on record keeping laws www.epa.nsw.gov.au/envirom/recordkeeping.htm

Australian Flexible Learning Framework - NurseryLive! This is an interactive 2D and 3D computer based simulation of a horticultural nursery. www.flexiblelearning.net.au/productsandservices/nursery.htm

Web Site of the National Association of Agricultural Educators <u>www.naae.asn.au</u>

National Occupational Health and Safety Commission - a selection of farming safety resources from around Australia. <u>http://www.nohsc.gov.au/OHSInformation/Agriculture/default.asp</u>

NSW Association of Agriculture Teachers inc. website <u>www.nswaat.org.au</u>

Spray Sense - a series of leaflets which focus on providing up-to-date information on a range of pesticide issues www.agric.nsw.gov.au/reader/spray-sense

www.apvma.gov.au

This is the Australian Pesticides and Vet Medicines Authority website – very useful to find information about registered chemicals, permits etc

www.goodbugs.org.au

A lot of useful information including about The Good Bug Book

www.virginiahc.com.au

Go to the Resources then the Article Archive for information on a lot of resources

www.aanro.net

Australian agriculture and natural resources online Useful links <u>www.pestgenie.com.au</u> Pest Genie is a database specializing in information about plant protection and animal health products.

www.horticulture.com.au

The Horticulture Australia (HAL) website Good information on current projects and general developments in horticulture

www.horticulturefortomorrow.com.au

Interesting national project on quality assurance guidelines

CALCULATION SHEET



Step 3 Calibrating equipment

• Use this formula to work out your sprayer application rate:

Your sprayer application rate (L/ha)	= nozzle (L/mir	e output າ)	Х	10000	÷	spray width (m)	÷	walking speed (m /min)
Your sprayer application rate	=	↓	x	↓ 10000	÷		÷	
(L/ha)	=	L	/ha					

• Check: Is your rate **within the range of the water application rate** on the label? If not, change the nozzle, the pump pressure or your walking speed and work out the sprayer application rate again.

Step 4 Calculating the amount of chemical per tank

Amount of chemical per tank (L)	=	chemical application rate (L/ha)	х	tank size (L)	÷	your sprayer application rate (L/ha)	
Amount of chemical per tank (L)	=		x		÷	=]L
 Now change the amore 	ount	from litres (L) to	mil	lilitres (mL):		_
L =		mL		Rem 1 litr	embe e (L)	er: = 1000 millilitres (mL)	

• Use this formula to work out how much chemical to put in your tank:

Step 5 Calculating the area, tanks and chemical for this job

• Use this formula to find the area to be sprayed in square metres:

Area to be sprayed (m ²) = length (m) x width (m)			
Area to be sprayed (m ²) = $\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \hline \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\$			
Now change the area from square metres to hectares			
Area in hectares (ha) = $m^2 \div 10000$ = ha			
• Use this formula to work out the number of tanks to use			
Number of tanks= size of area (ha)x your sprayeryour tank size (L) (L/ha)			
\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow Number of tanks=x=tanks			
Use this formula to work out the total amount of chemical for this job			
Total amount of chemical= number of tanksxamount of chemicalfor this job (mL)per tank (mL)			
Total amount of chemical = $\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \text{for this job (mL)} \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \end{pmatrix} \\ \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ $			
Now copy important information onto another sheet called the CALIBRATION RECORD sheet. It may be useful when doing other calibrations.			

CALIBRATION RECORD

General information	
Name of chemical	
Crop	
Reason for spraying	
Date of calibration	

Label and equipment information	
Chemical application rate	L/ha
Water application rate	L/ha
Tank size	L
Pump pressure	
Type and size of nozzle	

My measurements	
Nozzle output	L/min
Spray width	m
Walking speed	m/min

Calculations	
Sprayer application rate	L/ha
Amount of chemical per tank	mL
Area sprayed	ha
Number of tanks	
Total amount of chemical for this job	

SPRAY APPLICATION RECORD

Spraying information	on
Name of chemical	
Crop sprayed	
Pest / disease	
Size of area sprayed	
Equipment used	
Date of calibration	
Date of application	
Time started	
Time finished	
Application rate (from	
label)	
Amount of chemical	
used for this job	

Sketch map showing where on the property the chemical was applied

Weather informatio	n		
Wind speed			
Wind direction			
Temperature			
Humidity			
Did the weather change while spraying?	Yes / No	If yes, give details	

General information					
Property Address					
Owner, manager or occupier of the land:					
Name					
Address					
Phone number					
Person applying the chemical:					
Name					
Address					
Phone number					

Signature of the person applying the chemical:

STORAGE RECORD FORM

Name of chemical	
Location of chemical	
Date of purchase	
Current MSDS (5 years or less)	Yes / No
Hazardous substance	Yes / No
Dangerous Goods Class	
Expiry date or Date of Manufacture	
Batch number	
Comments	

Name of chemical	
Location of chemical	
Date of purchase	
Current MSDS (5 years or less)	Yes / No
Hazardous substance	Yes / No
Dangerous Goods Class	
Expiry date or Date of Manufacture	
Batch number	
Comments	

Name of chemical	
Location of chemical	
Date of purchase	
Current MSDS (5 years or less)	Yes / No
Hazardous substance	Yes / No
Dangerous Goods Class	
Expiry date or Date of Manufacture	
Batch number	
Comments	

Henry sprays it safe

Transport your chemical products safely Ute it. Don't boot it!

- Don't transport chemicals with people or animals.
- Don't transport chemicals with foods or drinks, plants and seeds, safety equipment or other clothing.
- Put chemicals inside a tray or box to stop liquids spilling.
- Check all containers for damage and leaks.
- Put lids and caps facing upwards.
- Make sure lids are on tightly.
- Put lighter items on top of heavy ones.
- Don't transport any pesticide, insecticide or fungicide with fertilizer.
- Tie down chemical containers. Make sure they can't slide around or fall off the truck.
- Make sure nothing in the truck can damage containers for example, tools.
- Cover your load with plastic or a tarpaulin to protect from heat and water damage.
- Drive straight home if you can. If you have to stop on the way home, lock your vehicle.

CLEANING UP AFTER SPRAYING

- Keep your PPE on to clean equipment.
- Read Cleaning Up instructions on the label and the MSDS.
- Flush your sprayer with water inside and out to get rid of all chemical. The water must not be able to run away and get into water supplies.
- While cleaning, check to see if there are any worn parts on your equipment. Make repairs and replace worn parts before your next spray job.
- Rinse empty chemical containers three times or pressure rinse and wash inside the cap and around the thread of the container. If the container has a drumMUSTER symbol, take it to a special collection site where you see the drumMUSTER sign most tips have them.
- After cleaning equipment, take off your PPE. Soak overalls and washable hats overnight in clean water. Wash in hot water. Do not wash with your other laundry.
- Wash gloves, boots and goggles with warm soapy water. Check there are no leaks in your gloves.
- Check the values on the respirator are opening and shutting correctly. Remove the respirator cartridges and store them in a sealed container. Wash the respirator body with a damp cloth.
- Store your PPE away from chemicals.

CLEANING SPILLS

- Keep your PPE on.
- You should have a spill clean up kit in your shed. This may include a bin, a shovel, a broom, a bag of hydrated lime and absorbent material such as kitty litter.
- Follow the instructions on the label and MSDS.
- Clean up spills as soon as possible.
- Do not allow chemical to get into waterways or drains.
- If you need help to clean up the spill contact the Fire Brigade.

If you need advice about poisons ring the Poisons Information Centre on 131126



BEAUFORT WIND SCALE

BEAUFORT WIND SCALE					
#	Wind Speed	Seamans Terms	Comm	on signs for reconition	
0	0 kph	Calm		Air is Calm; Smoke rises vertically	
1	1-5 kph	Light Air	-	Smoke drifts slowly Vanes do not move	between
2	6-11 kph	Light Breeze	*	Wind felt on face; leaves rustle; vanes begin to move	3 and 15
3	12-19 kph	Moderate Breeze		Leaves move constantly. Light flags extend	Kpn
4	20-29 kph	Fresh Breeze	۱	Small trees begin to sway	
5	30-39 kph	Strong Breeze		Large branches of trees move.	
6	40-50 kph	Moderate Gale	μ ί μ	Whole trees sway. Resistance in walking	
7	51-61 kph	Fresh Gale	T.	Twigs & small branches break off trees	
8	62-74 kph	Strong Gale		Large branches break.Some Structural damage occurs	
9	75-85 kph	Whole Gale	-	Small trees uprooted. Structural damage occurs	



CHANGING CENTIMETRES TO METRES

Remember that Joe used a measuring tape to measure his spray width in centimetres. The spray width was 110 cm. He changed the centimetres to metres and said that his spray width was 1.1 metres.

This worksheet shows you how to change centimetres to metres.

Look at this measuring tape. It measures in centimetres (cm) and metres (m).



Changing centimetres to metres without a calculator

To change centimetres to metres you divide by (\div) 100. One way to divide by 100 is to move the decimal point 2 places to the left. (If you don't see the decimal point, it's at the end of the number.)

Example 1, Change 400 cm to metres

400 ÷ 100 Move the decimal 2 places left So, 400 cm = 4 m $\frac{\text{Example 2}}{150 \div 100}$ Move the decimal 2 places left So, 150 cm = 1.5 m $\frac{\text{Example 3}}{150 \div 100}$ Move the decimal 2 places left So, 95 cm = 0.95 m

Changing centimetres to metres with a calculator

Put the number of centimetres into your calculator and divide by 100.

Example, Change 105 cm to metres.

Put into your calculator:

Answer on the calculator:

1.05

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So, 105 cm = 1.05 m

ACTIVITY

1. Draw a line from the measurement in centimetres to the same measurement in metres. The first one has been done for you.

<u>Centimetres</u>	<u>Metres</u>
50 cm 🔨	0.98 m
125 cm	0.85 m
98 cm	2 m
140 cm	1.03 m
85 cm	1.25 m
170 cm	0.5 m
200 cm	1.7 m
103 cm	2.1 m
88 cm	1.4 m
210 cm	0.88 m
	<u>Centimetres</u> 50 cm 125 cm 98 cm 140 cm 85 cm 170 cm 200 cm 103 cm 88 cm 210 cm

2. Write these measurements in metres. The first one has been done for you.

- a) 150 cm = 1.5 mb) 225 cm = _____ m c) 85 cm = ____m
 - d) 78 cm = ____m

- e) 100 cm = _____ m
- f) 117 cm = _____ m
- g) 105 cm = _____ m
- h) 139 cm = ____ m

3. Measure these spray widths in centimetres and metres. The first one has been done for you.



ANSWERS

1.

<u>Centimetres</u> <u>Metres</u>

a)	50 cm	=	0.5 m
b)	125 cm	=	1.25 m
c)	98 cm	=	0.98 m
d)	140 cm	=	1.4 m
e)	85 cm	=	0.85 m
f)	170 cm	=	1.7 m
g)	200 cm	=	2 m
h)	103 cm	=	1.03 m
i)	88 cm	=	0.88 m
j)	210 cm	=	2.1 m

2.

<u>Centime</u>	<u>etres</u>	<u>Metres</u>
a) 15	50 cm =	1.5 m
b) 22	25 cm =	2.25 m
c) 85	5 cm =	0.85 m
d) 78	3 cm =	0.78 m
e) 10)0cm =	1 m
f) 11	7 cm =	1.17 m
g) 10)5 cm =	1.05 m
h) 13	89 cm =	1.39 m

3.

<u>Centimetres</u>		<u>Metres</u>
a) 13	0 cm =	1.3 m
b) 75	icm =	0.75 m
c) 10	5 cm =	1.05 m
d) 12	5 cm =	1.25 m
e) 18	5cm =	1.85 m
f) 10	cm =	0.1 m



CHANGING LITRES TO MILLILITRES

Remember that when Joe calculated how much chemical to put into the tank he used a formula. He got the answer 0.373 litres. He needed to measure the chemical using a measuring jug which measures in millilitres so he changed 0.373 litres to 373 millilitres.

This worksheet shows you how to change litres into millilitres.

Measuring jugs measure in millilitres and litres.



When the jug is full, it holds 1 litre or 1 000 mL.

When the jug is half $(\frac{1}{2})$ full, it holds 0.5 L or 500 mL.

When the jug is a quarter $(\frac{1}{4})$ full, it holds 0.25 L or 250 mL.

When the jug is three quarters $(\frac{3}{4})$ full, it holds 750 mL or 0.75 L.

Remember

1 litre= 1 000 millilitres

Changing millilitres to litres without a calculator

To change litres to millilitres you multiply by (x) 1000. One way to multiply by 1000 is to move the decimal point 3 places to the right.

Sometimes there are only one or two digits after the decimal point. In this case, you just add zeros so that you have 3 digits after the decimal point. The number will stay the same.

This means,

0.25 = 0.250 0.7 = 0.700 0.01 = 0.010

Example 1, Change 0.186 litres to millilitres

0.186 × 1 000 Move the decimal 3 places right So, 0.186 L = 186 Ml

 $0.186 \times 1000 = 186.$

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Example 2, Change 0.35 litres to millilitres

0.35 x 1 000 First write 0.35 as 0.350 $0.350 \times 1000 = 350.$ Now move the decimal 3 places right So, 0.35 L = 350 mL

Example 3, Change 0.2 litres to millilitres

 0.2×1000 First write 0.2 as 0.200 Now move the decimal 3 places right $0.200 \times 1000 = 200.$ So, 0.2 L = 200 mL

Changing litres to millilitres with a calculator

Put the number of litres into your calculator and multiply by 1 000.

Example, Change 0.325 litres to millilitres.

Put into your calculator:

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Answer	<u>on the c</u>	alculator
	325	

So, 0.325 L = 325 mL

ACTIVITY

1. Draw a line from the measurement in litres to the same measurement in millilitres. The first one has been done for you.

	<u>Litres</u>	<u>Millilitres</u>
a)	5L _	1 200 mL
b)	2.5 L	2 500 mL
c)	0.375 L	485 mL
d)	0.25 L	50 mL
e)	1.2 L	375 mL
f)	0.485 L	17 mL
g)	0.05 L	3 100 mL
h)	1.01 L	5 000 mL
i)	3.1 L	1 010 mL
j)	0.017 L	250 mL

- 2. Write these measurements in millilitres. The first one has been done for you.
 - a)
 0.245 L = 245 mL
 d)
 0.05 L = ____mL

 b)
 1.3 L= ____mL
 e)
 0.915 L = ___mL

 c)
 0.6 L = ____mL
 f)
 1.07 L = ____mL
- 3. Look at how many litres of water is in each jug. Change millilitres to litres. The first one has been done for you.



ANSWERS

1.

<u>Millilitres</u>

<u>Litres</u>		Millilitres
5 L	=	5000 mL
2.5 L	=	2500 mL
0.375 L	=	375 mL
0.25 L	=	250 mL
1.2 L	=	1200 mL
0.485 L	=	485 mL
0.05 L	=	50 mL
1.01 L	=	1010 mL
3.1 L	=	3100 mL
0.017 L	=	17 mL
	<u>Litres</u> 5 L 2.5 L 0.375 L 0.25 L 1.2 L 0.485 L 0.05 L 1.01 L 3.1 L 0.017 L	$ \underline{Litres} \\ 5 L = \\ 2.5 L = \\ 0.375 L = \\ 0.25 L = \\ 1.2 L = \\ 0.485 L = \\ 0.05 L = \\ 1.01 L = \\ 3.1 L = \\ 0.017 L = \\ $

2.

<u>Litres</u>

<u>Millilitres</u>

a)	0.245 L	=	2450 mL
b)	1.3 L	=	1300 mL
c)	0.6 L	=	600 mL
d)	0.05 L	=	50 mL
e)	0.915 L	=	915 mL
f)	1.07 L	=	1070 mL

3.

	Litres		Millilitres
a)	2.5 L	=	2500 mL
b)	1.8 L	=	1800 mL
c)	0.4 L	=	400 mL
d)	1.2 L	=	1200 mL
e)	2.4 L	=	2400 mL
f)	0.7 L	=	700 mL



CHANGING MILLILITRES TO LITRES

Remember that when Joe measured his nozzle output he sprayed water into a measuring jug for one minute. He looked at the scale on the jug and saw that he had 3 litres and 300 millilitres of water in the jug. He changed the millilitres to litres and said that his nozzle output was 3.3 litres per minute (3.3 L/min)

This worksheet shows you how to change millilitres to litres.

Look at this measuring jug. It measures in millilitres (mL) and litres (L).



When the jug is full, it holds 1000 mL or 1 litre.

When the jug is half $(\frac{1}{2})$ full, it holds 500 mL or 0.5L

When the jug is a quarter $(\frac{1}{4})$ full, it holds 250 mL or 0.25 L.

When the jug is three quarters $(\frac{3}{4})$ full, it holds 750 mL or 0.75 L.

Remember

1 000 mL = 1 litre

Changing millilitres to litres without a calculator

To change millilitres to litres you divide by (\div) 1 000. One way to divide by 1000 is to move the decimal point 3 places to the left. (If you don't see the decimal point, it's at the end of the number.)

Example 1, Change 3 000 mL to litres

3 000 ÷ 1 000 Move the decimal 3 places left 3 0 0 0. ÷ 1000 = 3.000 = 3 So, 3000 mL = 3 L

Example 2, Change 4 500 mL to litres

4 500 ÷ 1 000 Move the decimal 3 places left So, 4 500 mL = 4.5 L

4500. ÷ 1000 = 4.500 = 4.5

Example 3, Change 650 mL to litres

650 ÷ 1 000 Move the decimal 3 places left So, 650 mL = 0.65 L

6 5 0. ÷ 1 000 = 0.650 = 0.65

Changing millilitres to litres with a calculator

Put the number of millilitres into your calculator and divide by 1 000.

Example, Change 1 900 mL to litres.

Put into your calculator:

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So, 1900 mL = 1.9 L

ACTIVITY

1. Draw a line from the measurement in millilitres to the same measurement in litres. The first one has been done for you.

<u>Millilitr</u>	es	Litres
a) 5 000 mL	\mathbf{n}	2.25 L
b) 2 250 mL	\mathbf{i}	3.4 L
c) 650 mL	\sim	1.05 L
d) 3 400 mL		4.55 L
e) 1 050 mL	\sim	0.65 L
f) 500 mL		🔪 0.5 L
g) 4 550 mL		5L
h) 975 mL		2.95 L
i) 1 200 mL		1.2 L
j) 2 950 mL		0.975 L

2. Write these measurements in litres. The first one has been done for you.

a) 1 L 500 mL = 1.5 L	b) 250 mL L
c) 2 L 750 mL = L	d) 4 L 200 mL L
e) 3 L 500 mL =L	f) 950 mL L

3. Look at how many millilitres of water is in each jug. Change millilitres to litres. The first one has been done for you.



ANSWERS

1.

<u>Millilitres</u>	<u>Litres</u>
a) 5000 mL	= 5 L
b) 2250 mL	= 2.25 L
c) 650mL	= 0.65 L
d) 3400 mL	= 3.4 L
e) 1050 mL	= 1.05 L
f) 500 mL	= 0.5 L
g) 4550 mL	= 4.55 L
h) 975 mL	= 0.975 L
i) 1200 mL	= 1.2 L
j) 2950 mL	= 2.95 L

2.

<u>Millilitres</u>	Litres
a) 1 L 500 mL	= 1.5 L
b) 250 mL	= 0.25 L
c) 2L 750 mL	= 2.75 L
d) 4 L 200 mL	= 4.2 L
e) 3 L 500 mL	= 3.5 L
f) 950 mL	= 0.95 L

3.

<u>Millilitres</u>			<u>Litres</u>
a)	900 mL	=	0.9 L
b)	250 mL	=	0.25 L
c)	300 mL	=	0.3 L
d)	150 mL	=	0.15 L
e)	700 mL	=	0.7 L
f)	1200 mL	=	1.2 L



CHANGING SQUARE METRES TO HECTARES

Remember that Joe first calculated the area of his garden in square metres (m²). Then he changed square metres to hectares (ha) because application rates are given in litres per hectare (L/ha).

This worksheet shows you how to change square metres to hectares.

A hectare (ha) is the area covered by 10 000 square metres (m^2) .





Remember

1 hectare = 10 000 square metres

Changing square metres to hectares without a calculator

To change square metres to hectares you divide by (\div) 10 000. One way to divide by 10 000 is to move the decimal point 4 places to the left. (If you don't see the decimal point, it's at the end of the number.)

Sometimes there are less than 4 digits in the number. In this case, you just add zeros to the beginning of the number so you have 4 digits.

This means, 550 = 0550 90 = 0090

Example 1, Change 20 000 m² to hectares

20 000 ÷ 10 000 Move the decimal 4 places left 20000. ÷ 10000 = 2.0000 = 2 So, 20 000 m^2 = 2 ha

Example 2, Change 2 500 m² to hectares

2500 ÷ 10 000 Move the decimal 4 places left 2500. ÷ 10 000 = 0.2500 = 0.25 So, 2 500 m² = 0.25 ha or a quarter of $(\frac{1}{4})$ a hectare

Example 3, Change 800 m² to hectares

800 ÷ 10 000 Move the decimal 4 places left 0.800. ÷ 10 000 = 0.0800 = 0.08 So, 800 m² = 0.08 ha

Changing square metres to hectares with a calculator

Put the number of square metres into your calculator and divide by 10 000.

Example, Change 7 200 m² to hectares.



So, 7200 m² = 0.72 ha

ACTIVITY

1. Draw a line from the area in square metres to the same area in hectares. The first one has been done for you.

<u>Square metres</u>	<u>Hectares</u>
a) 10 000 m ²	0.5 ha
b) 5 000 m^2	0.7 ha
c) 2 500 m ²	0.25 ha
d) 3 400 m ²	1.2 ha
e) 25 000 m^2	0.295 ha
f) 7 000 m ²	1 ha
g) 3 800 m ²	0.38 ha
h) 12 000 m ²	0.34 ha
i) 1 200 m ²	0.12 ha
j) 2 950 m ²	2.5 ha

- 2. Write these measurements in hectares. The first one has been done for you.
 - a) 20 000 m² = 2 ha b) 1 500 m² = ____ha c) 5 200 m² = ____ha d) 7 250 m² = ____ha e) 8 000 m² = ____ha f) 500 m² = ____ha
- 3. Here are some crops that need to be sprayed. Work out the area for each crop in square metres, then change the square metres to hectares. The first one has been done for you:





ANSWERS

1.

Square metres $\frac{\text{Hectares}}{10,000 \text{ m}^2} = \frac{1}{1} \text{ hg}$

a)	$10000{\rm m}^{-}$	= Ina
b)	5 000 m ²	= 0.5 ha
c)	2 500 m ²	= 0.25 ha
d)	3 400 m ²	= 0.34 ha
e)	25 000 m ²	= 2.5 ha
f)	7 000 m ²	= 0.7 ha
g)	3 800 m ²	= 0.38 ha
h)	12 000 m ²	= 1.2 ha
i)	1 200 m ²	= 0.12 ha
j)	2 950 m ²	= 0.295 ha

2.

Square metres <u>Hectares</u>

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a)	20 000 m ²	=	2 ha
b)	1 500 m ²	=	0.15 ha
c)	5 200 m ²	=	0.52 ha
d)	7 250 m ²	=	0.725 ha
e)	8 000 m ²	=	0.8 ha
f)	500 m ²	=	0.05 ha

3.

<u>Area in m²</u>	<u>Area in ha</u>
a) 3 000 m ²	= 0.3 ha
b) 3 600 m ²	= 0.36 ha
c) 2 700m ²	= 0.27 ha
d) 12 000 m ²	= 1.2 ha
e) 6 400 m ²	= 0.64 ha
f) 6 000 m ²	= 0.6 ha



WORKING OUT 10 %

Remember that Joe checked the manufacturer's instructions to find the recommended nozzle output. It was 3 litres per minute (L/min). The nozzle output can be up to 10 % above or 10 % below the recommended output. That means the nozzle can spray between 2.7 L/min and 3.3 L/min and be within the range.

You can see this on the diagram below.



This worksheet shows you how to work out 10 % and find 10 % above and 10 % below the recommended output.

Remember 10 % is the same as 1/10 (one tenth) or 0.1 10 % = 1/10 = 0.1

Let's see what to do if the recommended nozzle output is 800 mL/min.

1. Work out 10 % of 800 mL

a) Without a calculator

Because 10 % is one tenth of the number, the quick way to work out 10 % is to divide the number by 10

To work out $800 \div 10$ you can take off the last zero $800 \div 10 = 80$

Or

you can move the decimal point one place to the left. (If you can't see the decimal point it's at the end of the number.)

800. ÷ 10 = 80 So, 10 % of 800 is 80 b) With a calculator Put into your calculator: Answer on the calculator: 8 0 0 x 1 0 % 80. or Put into your calculator: Answer on the calculator: 8 0 0 x 0 1 Ξ 80.

- 2. Work out 10 % above and 10 % below 800 mL
 10 % above = 800 mL + 80 mL = 880 mL
 10 % below = 800 mL 80 mL = 720 mL
- So, the nozzle output should be between 720 mL and 880 mL per minute.

ACTIVITY

- 1. Work out 10 % of these recommended nozzle outputs.
 - a) 500 mL _____
 - b) 1200 mL _____
 - c) 2500 mL _____
 - d) 1 litre _____
 - e) 325 mL _____
- 2. The first column of this table gives you the recommended nozzle output. Fill in the boxes in each row to find the acceptable range for the nozzle output. The first row has been done for you.

Recommended nozzle output (per minute)	10 % of the recommended nozzle output	10 % above recommended nozzle output	10 % below recommended nozzle output	Acceptable nozzle output range
250 mL	25 mL	275 mL	225 mL	225 - 275 mL
600 mL				
3000 mL				
2250 mL				
1500 mL				
750 mL				

3. A market gardener is checking his nozzle output. The manufacturer's instructions recommend 1 800 mL/min. He sprays water into a jug for one minute. His nozzle output is 1550 mL/min. Is his nozzle output within 10 % of the recommended nozzle output?

ANSWERS

<u>Nozzle output</u>	<u>10%</u>
a) 500 mL	50 mL
b) 1200 mL	120 mL
c) 2500 mL	250 mL
d) 1 litre	100 mL
e) 325 mL	32.5 mL

2.

Recommended nozzle output (per minute)	10 % of the recommended nozzle output	10 % above recommended nozzle output	10 % below recommended nozzle output	Acceptable nozzle output range
250 mL	25 mL	275 mL	225 mL	225 - 275 mL
600 mL	60 mL	660 mL	540 mL	540 - 660 mL
3000 mL	300 mL	3300 mL	2700 mL	2700 - 3300 mL
2250 mL	225 mL	2475 mL	2025 mL	2025 - 2475 mL
1500 mL	150 mL	1650 mL	1350 mL	1350 - 1650 mL
750 mL	75 mL	825 mL	675 mL	675 - 825 mL

3. No

GLOSSARY - WORDS TO KNOW

A	Active constituent	The main chemical in a product that affects the pest or disease. It is important to know the active
		constituent if a person becomes sick from using the
В	Bars	A measurement of pressure. One bar = 100
_		kilopascals (kPa). More bars mean higher pressure,
		and so smaller droplets.
	Beaufort Scale	A guide to help you work out how fast the wind is
		blowing.
	Broad Claims for Use	The words on the label that tell you the crops and
		the pests or diseases the chemical is suitable for.
С	Calibrate, calibration	Setting your equipment to spray chemical in the
		right way and in the right amounts.
	Caution	CAUTION on the chemical label means the
		chemical is slightly poisonous. It will not kill you but
		It could still make you feel sick - so you should be
	Chamical Application Data	Careful.
	Chemical Application Rate	The amount of chemical you should use for each
	Corrosive	Can eat away skin or metal
	Critical Comments	The words on the label that give you special
		information about how to spray the chemical
D	Dangerous Goods	Chemicals which are dangerous to move or store
		because they can damage people, property or the
		environment. Dangerous goods are shown by
		diamond-shaped signs, for example, TOXIC 6 and
		FLAMMABLE LIQUID 3.
	Directions for Use	The section on the label that tells you how to use
		the chemical - the crops, the pests or diseases, the
		rate of application and special instructions.
	drumMUSTER	A place where you can safely get rid of chemical
		containers after use. There are drumMUSTERS at
	Evoir, data	The date by which you should use a shomical
	Explosive	Can blow up or explode
F	Flammable	Can catch fire quickly and easily
	Foliage	The leaves on a plant or crop
	Fungicide	A chemical product to treat fungal diseases
Н	Harvest	Picking the crop
	Hazardous	Can hurt or harm people - for example, hurt your
		eves or skin, make you sick if you breathe in the
		smell.
	Hectare	A measurement of land area. One hectare = 10 000
		square metres. Most chemical and water application
		rates are for hectares.
	Herbicide	A chemical product which kills weeds and unwanted
L		plants.
	Humidity	The amount of water or moisture in the air.
	Hygrometer	An instrument to measure humidity.

I	Insecticide	A chemical product which kills insects. Same as pesticide.
	Integrated pest management (IPM)	Using a number of methods to control pests - for example, destroying weeds where pests hide, improving drainage, and using good insects or 'beneficials' to control harmful insects. In IPM, chemicals are just one part of a larger pest plan.
	Kilopascals	A measurement of pressure. 100 kilopascals (kPa) = one bar. More kilopascals mean higher pressure, and so smaller droplets.
M	Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)	A sheet of paper containing health and safety information about a chemical product. You can ask the reseller for the MSDS for the product you are buying.
	Mode of Action	The words and numbers on the label that tell you the group of chemicals that the chemical product belongs to (eg GROUP 2A INSECTICIDE, GROUP L HERBICIDE, GROUP C FUNGICIDE). All chemicals in one group <i>act</i> on pests or diseases in the same way or <i>mode</i> . If you regularly use chemicals from the same group, the pests or diseases may develop resistance.
N	Nozzle output	The amount of spray mixture that comes out of the nozzle in one minute.
Р	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	Clothes and equipment which keep you safe when working with chemicals, for example, goggles, gloves and boots.
	Pesticide	A chemical product which kills insects. Same as insecticide.
	Poison, poisonous	POISON on the chemical label means that the chemical will make you sick. DANGEROUS POISON means it will make you very sick and might even kill you.
R	Re-entry period	The time you must wait before it is safe to go back into an area you have sprayed with chemical.
	Residue	The chemical that remains in the plant, animal or soil after you spray.
	Resistance	When pests are no longer controlled by a chemical because chemicals from the same chemical group have been used too many times. See Mode of Action.
S	Sensitive areas	Areas that can easily be damaged by chemicals - for example, creeks and rivers.
	Signal Heading	The words on the label that tell you how poisonous a chemical is - VERY POISONOUS, POISONOUS, CAUTION.
	Spray drift	When the chemical you are spraying goes onto other plants, animals or areas. Spray drift can happen because of weather conditions, equipment problems or incorrect spraying methods.
	Spray width	The measurement of how wide the spray is. You spray the ground and measure from side to side in metres.

	Sprayer Application Rate	The amount of water (or chemical solution) your sprayer uses to cover a hectare. The rate should be within the range given on the chemical label. If it is not, you need to adjust your equipment, walking speed or spray width.
	Spray Application Record	A sheet to record the details about the use of a chemical - for example, crop, pest/disease, date, time.
	Storage Record Sheet	A sheet to record all the chemical products you have in your shed or storage area - for example the date you bought the chemicals, where they are in your shed.
Т	Thermometer	An instrument to measure temperature
	Toxic	Can harm a person, animal or plant - for example, make a person sick.
V	Ventilated, ventilation	Air moving around - for example, there is usually good ventilation if a window is open
W	Water Application Rate	The amount of water to use for every hectare of crop.
	Withholding period	The time you must wait before you harvest a crop after spraying a chemical.

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