

Protected Agricultural Stewardship Standards Equivalency Table

This table is to assist Protected Ag Operators in assessing equivalency with the Canada Gap Food Safety program and/or compliance under an Ontario MECP stormwater ECA. Operators with current Canada GAP certification will pass all protocols indicated with (Y) below.

| Protocol | | Canada GAP | | Compliance under an Ontario MECP stormwater ECA | |
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| A1 | Pesticide Flow Chart | N | Can use Form (A) diagram if sufficient detail | N | |
| A2 | Signage | a-N b-Y c-N | 6.3 ... In a clearly identified location (i.e., sign on door)... In a locked location | N | |
| A3 | Emergency Equipment | N | | N | |
| A4 | Employee Training | N | | N | |
| A5 | Pesticide Storage | Y | 6.3 In an area dedicated only to agricultural chemicals, commercial fertilizers and pest control products with a PCP#. Contained fertilizers (e.g., bag, jug, tote) may be stored in the chemical storage except where prohibited by prevailing legislation (e.g., provincial regulations). Fertilizers must be stored in a designated area separate from agricultural chemicals | N | |
| A6 | Pesticide Containers | a-Y b-Y | 6.3 ...In a manner that maintains the integrity of the container and prevents leakage (e.g., closed bag, in a container, with a lid) 10.2 The person responsible triple rinses containers and empties the rinsate into the applicator tank ... The person responsible stores empty agricultural chemical containers: Separate from product, water sources and market ready packaging materials In a designated or | N | |

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| | | c-Y | labelled area/container ...The person responsible disposes of empty agricultural chemical containers by following prevailing legislation (e.g., federal, provincial, state or local regulations) for disposal of empty containers 6.3 ...With labels/identification intact and legible [name of product, active ingredient(s), concentration, PCP#, manufacturer's name and address are on the label; the manufacturer's contact information and the instructions for use do not need to be on the label but are readily available] | | |
| A7 | SDS | N | | N | |
| A8 | Pesticide Storage Area | N | | N | |
| A9 | Pesticide Mixing/Loading – Closed loop | N | | N | |
| A10 | Pesticide Mixing/Loading – Foliar | N | | N | |
| B1 | Pesticide Application Documentation | Y | 6.2 When agricultural chemicals are applied (e.g., to the production site, post-harvest applications), the person responsible completes Form (H1) Agronomic Inputs (Agricultural Chemicals) OR... | N | |
| B2 | Provincial Certification | Y | 6.2 Applicator follows prevailing legislation (e.g., provincial regulations), AND has completed formal training (e.g., online course, self-study course with materials and successful completion of exam, etc.) (File under Tab: Letters of Assurance/Certificates) | N | |
| B3 | PPE for Handling | N | | N | |
| B4 | SOPs | N | | N | |

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| C1 | Water Assessment | N | | N | |
| C2 | System Monitoring | N | | Y | Auditor to confirm monthly sampling under an ECA |
| C3 | System Maintenance | N | | N | |
| D1 | Emergency Equipment Maintenance | N | | N | |
| D2 | Handling of Haz Waste | N | | N | |
| D3 | Accident Procedures | N | | N | |
| E1 | Emergency Response Plan | N | | N | |
| E2 | Emergency Drills | N | | N | |