

**Use, store and dispose of
garden pesticides safely.**



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SAFETY FOR
PEOPLE AND THE
ENVIRONMENT

Helpful Hints on Using Garden Pesticides

- ✿ Do you really need to use a pesticide?
Can you find another way to deal with the problem? - try www.rhs.org.uk, or www.gardenorganic.co.uk
- ✿ Before buying a pesticide product, do you already have some that can be used up? Don't forget to check if the product with a 'MAFF' or 'MAPP' number is still legal to use at www.pesticides.gov.uk/garden.asp
- ✿ Products with an 'HSE' number are controlled by the Health and Safety Executive. To check if HSE products are still legal to use, go to www.hse.gov.uk/pesticides/bluebook/index.htm, or telephone the HSE info helpline on 0845 345 0055
- ✿ When buying a pesticide, read the label or ask your garden centre or DIY shop for advice if you need help finding suitable pesticides, or try www.garden-care.org.uk
- ✿ Never buy more than you will need for one year. Always read the label for instructions on how to use, store and dispose of pesticides.
- ✿ **Never pour unwanted pesticide down the drain – you may harm wildlife.**
Ask your local Council for advice on disposal of unwanted pesticide or empty containers:
www.pesticidedisposal.org or www.chem-away.org.uk

For more information on all these issues visit our website at www.pesticides.gov.uk/garden.asp or telephone our information team on 01904 455775.