

Don't Let Pesticides Bug Our Watershed

Improper usage, storage and disposal of pesticides can have a profound impact on our watershed. Follow these simple steps to reduce your impact today.

- 1) When using pesticides, only use the recommended amount; twice the pesticide won't do twice the job.
- 2) If you have a spill, clean it up immediately using sawdust or cat litter; don't wash it away with water.
- 3) Only spray pesticides near plants and wildlife that you wish to treat.
- 4) If you can't dispose of unused pesticides at a collection event, tightly close the cap of its container and place it in the trash for routine collection.
- 5) Don't dump leftover pesticide down the sink, toilet, sewer or street drain; as the chemicals contained in pesticides may interfere with the operation of wastewater treatment systems.
- 6) Store pesticides in dry environment away from areas that have access to water or moisture.
- 7) Check out zerowastepgh.org for collection events near you.



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