“Bee” Responsible

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Always read the pesticide label
• Follow label instructions
• Alert authorities of counterfeit pesticides

If the label indicates the product may be toxic to bees:
• Coordinate with nearby beekeepers over plans to spray and take appropriate protective measures
• Avoid spraying when plants are in bloom
• Consider that application in the early morning or evening when bees are less likely to be foraging can further reduce the potential exposure of pollinators
• Be mindful that bees may still be present from nearby forage even if the crop you are spraying is not attractive to bees

Only treat the target area
• Shut off sprayers when turning at field ends or near environmentally sensitive areas
• Shut off nozzles if there are gaps in the crops

Minimize drift and contamination
• Use low drift nozzles if possible and calibrate spray equipment regularly
• Avoid spraying in windy conditions
• Minimize dust from treated seed by carefully pouring it out of bags and using planting machinery that eliminates the production of dust

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