

SOP/SSOP | Inspections

This SOP should be used in conjunction with relevant machinery manuals and manufacturer recommendations.

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DO NOT use this tool unless appropriately instructed in its safe use and operation and permission to operate has been given.

COMPULSORY PPE	AS NEEDED PPE
HAND PROTECTION MUST BE WORN MASK MUST BE WORN	

PRE-OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS

The person responsible considers production site activities for the past five years of any site they are farming for the first time and assesses potential hazards. Each new site is assessed for historical use of:
 Persistent heavy metals such as mercury, lead, etc. remaining from previous applications of fertilizers, agricultural chemicals, sewage sludge or liming materials
 Contaminants remaining from previous non-agricultural uses (e.g., landfills, refineries, buildings)
 The person responsible does not use production sites where sewage sludge has been applied.

OPERATIONAL SAFETY CHECKS

Use online forms to complete required inspections at the frequency which is required

HOUSEKEEPING

The person responsible inspects the area for the required elements and if deviation is observed, they notify the operation of the problem and take appropriate action

POTENTIAL HAZARDS

- Adjacent areas where livestock excrement, dust, aerosols or feathers may drift or leach
- Adjacent areas where crop production inputs may drift or leach (e.g., agricultural chemicals, soil amendments, fertilizers, pulp sludge)
- Adjacent areas where cross contamination may occur from crops with novel traits
 - insects, mice, birds, rats) can hide/live/feed (e.g., junkpiles, long grass, bushes, garbage, unused machinery)

SPECIAL NOTE

NO PERSONNEL ARE TO PERFORM INSPECTIONS PRIOR TO OBTAINING:

- COMPETENCY IN THE CORRECT USE OF THE EQUIPMENT
- READING AND FULLY UNDERSTANDING THE OPERATOR'S MANUAL
- READING THE STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE
- UNDERGOING THOROUGH PRACTICAL TRAINING WHILE PROPERLY SUPERVISED

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