

ADVISORY UPDATE

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Sustainable Use Directive

NEW EU SPRAY REGULATION

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: November 26, 2015



**MUST BE
SUD REGISTERED**



**NO NEED TO BE
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Who should register?

- ▶ Anyone who applies pesticides which are designated as 'Professional Use' on the label, irrespective of method of application or quantity applied, must register
- ▶ For example:
Round-up applied with a knapsack; or,
any product applied to grassland/crops with a sprayer
- ▶ A farmer who buys sprays but gets a contractor who is a registered professional user to apply them on their behalf does not have to register

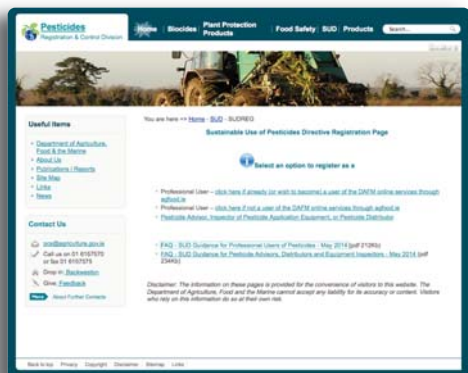


How will the Sustainable Use Directive (SUD) affect farmers?

- ▶ Farmers must register with the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM) by November 26, 2015
- ▶ Amateur use pesticides (e.g., home garden products) are not covered by the SUD

How do farmers register?

- ▶ Register online at <http://www.pcs.agriculture.gov.ie/sud/sudreg/>



- ▶ Detailed screenshots to help farmers register are available on Teagasc and DAFM websites

What qualifications does a farmer need to register?

- ▶ A farmer must have completed an approved pesticide course. For approved courses and how to query Teagasc education records see: www.teagasc.ie/training/courses/pesticide-training.asp

Who can purchase pesticides?

- ▶ Any herd/flock owner or registered professional user can purchase professional use products
- ▶ Only registered professional users can apply professional use products
- ▶ Any person can buy and apply amateur use products

What are the sanctions under the SUD?

- ▶ The SUD will be inspected as part of cross-compliance. Breaches may be subject to a penalty of €250 but in future that may be a percentage of Single Farm Payments

What else should you know?

- ▶ Boom sprayers (greater than 3m wide) must be tested by November 26, 2016
- ▶ Farmers must keep records of all sprays applied