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WARNING!!

PESTICIDES ARE POISONOUS. READ AND FOLLOW ALL DIRECTIONS AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS ON LABELS. HANDLE CAREFULLY AND KEEP ORIGINAL LABELED CONTAINERS IN LOCKED STORAGE AREA. DO NOT CONTAMINATE FORAGE, STREAMS OR PONDS. DISPOSE OF EMPTY CONTAINERS IN A LEGAL MANNER.

Guthion is highly toxic to humans and wildlife.

Repeated exposure to organophosphate (such as Guthion, Diazinon and Lorsban) insecticides may, without symptoms, increase susceptibility to phosphate poisoning. All pesticide treated bogs must not be entered until restricted entry times have elapsed (see label). Workers should be notified prior to treatment. Tell family and co-workers. Make certain your doctor understands. After an accident, there may not be time.

IF SYMPTOMS OF ACUTE PESTICIDE POISONING OCCUR, IMMEDIATELY TAKE VICTIM AND THE APPROPRIATE PESTICIDE LABEL OR CONTAINER TO THE NEAREST HOSPITAL EMERGENCY ROOM. FOR INFORMATION AND ADVICE AT ANY TIME OF DAY OR NIGHT, CALL THE MASSACHUSETTS POISON CONTROL SYSTEM AT:

1-800-682-9211

REMINDER FOR RESPONSIBLE APPLICATORS

Remember that Guthion, Lorsban, and products containing chlorothalonil are extremely toxic to fish and can cause fish kills. Diazinon, Sevin, and Vapam are also very toxic to fish.

To avoid contamination, do not clean equipment or dispose of wastes near open water. Drift or runoff or release of contaminated ditch water from treated areas may be hazardous to fish or other aquatic organisms in adjacent aquatic sites.

Following any pesticide applications, hold water as long as possible.

Diazinon is extremely toxic to birds.

The granular insecticide formulations, in particular, may cause bird kills, especially waterfowl that feed or drink on treated bogs. Do not leave granules on bare ground where they could be eaten. Be sure granules fall into vines and are watered in by sprinkler irrigation. Avoid puddling.