

Policy Statement for Use of Pesticides and Pest or Microorganism Evaluations on the UGA-Plant Sciences Farm

In an effort to more closely monitor the use of pesticides and pest or microorganism evaluations that might have an impact on other research at the Plant Sciences Farm the following guidelines have been implemented. This information should be provided by the researcher to the Farm Manager through an advisory session.

1. Pesticides which have not yet received EPA registration for a particular crop that is being examined must be cleared for use by the Farm Manager. A record of these applications will be maintained by the Farm Manager. Crops and crop products which receive applications of non-registered pesticides must be destroyed. It is the responsibility of the researcher to destroy these crops.
2. The use of particularly hazardous pesticides (to adjacent crops, animals or humans) must be approved by the Plant Science Farm Committee. A record of applications will be maintained by the Farm Manager.
3. The introduction of foreign or genetically altered pest or microorganism species must be approved by the researcher's Department Head and the Plant Sciences Farm Committee before any such research can be initiated. The individual researcher will be held responsible for containment of the organism and for handling of the infested areas at the conclusion of the research. The researcher's procedure for containment of the organism and handling of the infested area must be clearly outlined in his initial written request.
4. Provide the Farm Manager a list of all pesticides applied to a plot area.

