### **FACTSHEET**

### **ChemClear program**

Chem Clear

ChemClear is a national product stewardship program, run by Agsafe, designed to help farmers and agricultural businesses safely dispose of unwanted, expired, or obsolete agricultural chemicals. The program aims to reduce the environmental impact and improve safety on farms by providing a convenient collection service.



#### How can you participate in a ChemClear collection?

Register your unwanted chemicals online through the ChemClear website (chemclear.org.au) or by calling the ChemClear hotline (1800 008 182).

Once registered, you will either be added to a confirmed state collection that has been announced, or, if a collection isn't currently scheduled in your state, you'll be placed on a waitlist and notified of the next event occuring in due course.

#### What types of chemicals can you dispose of through ChemClear?

ChemClear accepts a wide range of agricultural chemicals, including herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, and veterinary chemicals. They are categorised into two groups.

#### **Group 1 chemicals**

Free collection

In original containers with intact labels

Manufactured by participating *drumMUSTER* companies

Registered or de-registered within the last 2 years

Within 2 years of expiration date

Not held by distributors or AgVet stores as unwanted inventory

#### **Group 2 chemicals**

Fee-based collection - A **quotation** will be provided before the collection is scheduled.

Unknown

Unlabelled

Over 2 years past expiration date

Chemicals from non-participating manufacturers

Mixed AgVet chemicals

#### What is the cost of disposing of Group 2 chemicals through ChemClear?

The exact cost to dispose of Group 2 chemicals through ChemClear depends on factors such as the type of chemical and the quantity being disposed of and can range from \$10 to \$100 per litre. The ChemClear team will provide detailed pricing based on your specific situation, upon registration of chemicals.

#### Why should you register your chemicals early?

By registering early, you're showing proactive management of your farm by keeping it safe, and environmentally responsible. Early registration means you're complying with best practices, reducing hazardous materials on-site, protecting your workforce, and supporting sustainable agriculture.

#### What happens after you register your chemicals?

- You will be contacted to confirm your registration and receive storage stickers, which should be placed on each registered container for easy identification and safer storage until collection day.
- Once a collection date is scheduled, ChemClear will notify you with specific details, including the location, date, and time of the collection point.
- You'll then transport your chemicals safely to the designated drop-off site on the appointed day for proper disposal.

#### What if you miss the registration deadline?

If you miss the registration deadline for an upcoming collection, you can register for the next available collection event in your state. We encourage you to register as early as possible to ensure your chemicals are included in your nearest collection.

#### Can you dispose of household chemicals through ChemClear?

No, ChemClear is specifically designed for agricultural chemicals. For household chemicals, you should contact your local council for information on proper disposal methods.

## Storage recommendation

- Store in a secure, dry, ventilated area.
- Keep away from ignition sources.
- Restrict access to unauthorised personnel, children, and animals.

## Have a large quantity of chemicals?

ChemClear can handle large volumes, but advance notice is needed to arrange proper disposal.

**REGISTER EARLY!!!** 

# Collection event frequency

Typically **every 2 years** in each state or territory.

Timing may vary based on registration volume and logistics factors.

To register your chemicals, download the inventory form or learn about the upcoming collections, please **visit www.chemclear.org.au**.