

# Supers' proper pesticide container disposal is crucial

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gun in your area, rinsed containers can be delivered to a designated collection site, where a chipper will grind the jugs before sending them out for recycling.

Shipping pallets and new containers are products that can then be made from these chipped containers. Pesticide applicators like the program because it offers a legal means of disposal that will keep them in compliance with all label requirements for container disposal.

Additional improvements are being made as some pesticide manufacturers are chang-

ing the packaging of some products from plastic containers to a pre-measured dissolvable pouch. These pouches can be placed in the mix tank with only a foil bag in need of disposal and a cardboard box that can be offered for recycling. This method of packaging uses the latest in technology to provide convenience to the user while maintaining the effectiveness of the product. Check with chemical sales representatives to find out what opportunities for this type of packaging exist for the products you may be applying.

Violations for improper container disposal

have increased over the last few years as some applicators have failed to seek out alternatives to old container-disposal practices.

Even when taking advantage of landfill disposal, it is important to clean every container thoroughly by either triple- or pressure-rinsing.

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## Beard releases Fax newsletter

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Dr. James B. Beard, professor emeritus of turfgrass science at Texas A&M University and current president and chief scientist at International Sports Turf Institute, Inc., has a new subscription newsletter titled Turfax. Beard faxes the newsletter all over the world to golf course superintendents, sports turf managers, agronomists and others interested in the current developments in turfgrass.

Turfax is thorough, well conceived and has regular features, such as JB Comments, with Beard's opinions on many different turfgrass management topics. One column deals with new publications available on such subjects as university turfgrass proceedings, superintendent conference proceedings, university research reports, plant pathology books and any hot-off-the-press books of interest.

Beard has another feature, titled JB Visitations, that gives a brief, jam-packed account of where he has been around the globe and what he did or observed in the process. He also gives readers a list of upcoming JB Visitations.

The bi-monthly issues are usually six pages long. For more information people may contact: Dr. James B. Beard, International Sports Turf Institute, Inc., 1812 Shadowwood Dr., College Station, Texas 77840; telephone 409-693-4066; Fax 409-693-4878.

## Compu jargon

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clude electronic conferencing, limited electronic mail, and free software collections.

**Internet (or simply "the Net" to the initiated):** A vast global network of computers; in most cases, transfer of information across the network is free to the user. Users usually pay a monthly fee to obtain dial-up access to a local internet provider. In addition, there may be an hourly fee for time spent on-line. Well-known systems that provide Internet access include Compuserve, America on-line, and Prodigy.

Depending on your provider, Internet resources you may have access to include:

**Electronic Mail or e-mail:** Once you're on the Internet, you can send electronic correspondence to anyone else on the Net, anywhere in the world, usually at no additional cost. Messages typically arrive at their destination in a few minutes; as a result, many e-mail users now refer to the traditional postal service as "snailmail."

**Gopher:** A text-based tool for navigating the Internet. Using a menu-driven system, users can browse among thousands of information sources around the world providing such services as database searching and free software archives.

**World-Wide Web:** Another internet navigation tool, but much more sophisticated than Gopher, the Web is the current Cadillac of Internet services. Individuals, corporations, and universities have produced thousands of "Web Pages" which can contain text, audio, and even video information on a given subject. Users can jump to related pages by simply clicking on "hypertext links." The result is an extremely intuitive means of obtaining information on virtually any subject.

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