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Subject: Pre-release of Respiratory Protection for Pesticides

We have just finalized an 8-page photo-illustrated selection on [Respiratory Protection for Pesticides](#) for incorporation into a new [National](#) Pesticide Applicator Training Manual. This pre-release to the national manual is now posted to the Rutgers Cooperative Extension Pesticide Management Office's website @ <http://www.pestmanagement.rutgers.edu/PAT/factsheets.htm>. It will ultimately be available as an RCE fact sheet in series due to the length.

It includes:

- Elements of a respiratory protection program
- Respiratory hazards and proper use of respirators
- Use of certified respirators
- Nine classes of non-powered particulate air-purifying respirators
- Selection of respirator type in accord with EPA's 5 categories of respirator statements found on pesticide labels (summarized in the companion table file)
- Service life
- Medical evaluation
- Respirator fit
- Use, care and maintenance of respirators

This information is not yet included in the New Jersey Pesticide Applicator training manuals or test(s).

Please contact Pat Hastings if you have any questions.

Thank you.

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