

Pollinator protection and pesticides

Insects are essential for pollinating many plants that produce food. Some crops depend on pollinators for fruit and seed production. It is estimated that pollinators contribute to 1 of every 3 bites of food you take. What steps can you take to protect pollinators from pesticides?

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Cover or move bee hives

Some pesticides are more toxic to pollinators than others

Wait for flower petals to drop before treating

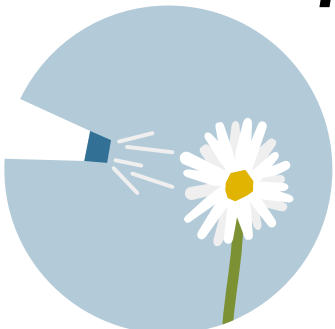
Provide natural habitat

Use buffers between pollinator habitats and treated areas

Keep an eye out for other pollinators, as they may behave in different ways

Consider granular products, which leave less residue

How can I protect pollinators?



Don't spray flowers directly



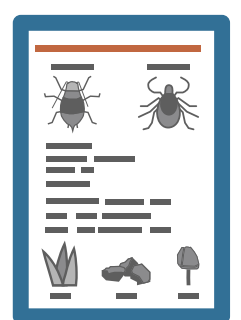
Use when pollinators are not active



Spray as close to the pest as possible



Long lasting products may have higher risks



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