

The problem of Chlorpyrifos

Changes to Authorised Uses of Chlorpyrifos

The chemicals Regulations Directorate (CRD), after several bad accidents to restrict the use of Chlorpyrifos containing Products to agricultural use only

One of the incidents was on the Kennet River where pollution by the amount of a eggcup caused extensive damage to the insect ecology. See letter From [Angling Trust](#)

Consequently, the UK product authorisation holders have advised that with effect **from the 21st May 2015, Chlorpyrifos containing products is no longer be approved for use on Amenity Grassland or Managed Amenity Turf.**

This news follows a decision on the 19th of May 2015 by the Chemicals Regulations Directorate.

Run down period for pesticides is usually 3 years

Year 1 Manufacturer stops making it and sells stock

Year 2 Supplier clears stock

Year 3 User clears stock.

Advice has normally been : only buy what you will use this year and next year.

On this occasion, Three days warning, then banned for use on turf! From t21st May 2015, there has been no clarification from CRD. Chlorpyrifos can still be used on a whole spectrum of fruits & vegetables

More details to follow, when we can find them!!