



## CropLife Canada Manufacturing Standards

CropLife Canada members that operate agricultural pesticide formulation facilities within Canada are held to the highest environmental, health and safety standards through CropLife Canada's Manufacturing Code of Practice.

### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The CropLife Canada Manufacturing Code of Practice was developed in 1986 and became mandatory for all member company facilities in 1996. These facilities must undergo annual audits to ensure they meet or exceed protocols in four key areas:

- Occupational health
- Facility safety
- Environmental standards
- Performance benchmarking

These standards are meant to complement existing regulations across the country, and in many cases, exceed regulatory requirements.

### HOW MANY MANUFACTURING FACILITIES ARE THERE?

There are currently nine certified facilities across Canada. Some are operated by CropLife Canada member companies and others are facilities under contract to produce CropLife Canada members' products.

### THE AUDIT PROCESS

Formulation facilities must undergo an annual third-party audit to ensure compliance with facility protocols, standards and best practices identified within the Manufacturing Code of Practice. Each facility must achieve a minimum 70 per cent score in each of the four key competency areas to receive a certificate of compliance from CropLife Canada each year.

### A DYNAMIC SET OF STANDARDS

As the agri-chemical industry continues to evolve, CropLife Canada, its manufacturing committee and its members recognize the need to update the standards on a regular basis to reflect changes in both the industry and the regulatory environment in which companies operate. The Manufacturing Code of Practice is updated on a five-year cycle as well as on an as-needed basis.