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Quarantine and Preshipment Exemptions Recordkeeping Reminder

Purchasers of methyl bromide products (such as Meth-O-Gas® Q or Meth-O-Gas® 100), that will be used for Quarantine and Preshipment (QPS) applications must certify that the product will be used solely for QPS. Certification documents are mandatory and required by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) if an exemption is to be claimed for those pounds. These certification records document the claim that exempt methyl bromide is being purchased and will be used only for QPS applications. Certification records must be on file at the distributor/supplier and the end-user.

In 2001, Great Lakes created a 3-part form to help distributors/suppliers document QPS certification when these products are sold to the end-use applicator. If you are using or purchasing Meth-O-Gas® or Terr-O-Gas® products for QPS applications and are not signing a certification document, please contact your distributor/supplier.

With the next reduction in production allowance scheduled for January 1, 2003, certification of all qualifying QPS products becomes even more important. If QPS pounds are not documented and certified, Meth-O-Gas® products may not be available to you in the future since Great Lakes can only produce exempt methyl bromide for which there is certification and documentation.

End-use applicators must also maintain records to document the official QPS requirements/regulation for each QPS application. These documents are obtained from the commodity owner and identify the official requirement (local, state or country regulation) that justifies the exempt use of QPS methyl bromide. These documents must be kept on file by the applicator and the commodity owner.

If you have questions about the QPS certification process please contact your supplier or Great Lakes.

ALWAYS READ AND FOLLOW LABEL DIRECTIONS



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