Safe, secure delivery, storage and handling of CF Fertilisers’ Products

Store your fertilisers secure and out of sight. All Nitrogen and NPK fertilisers pose a potential terrorist threat. Please store these fertilisers securely on your farm.

Safe Delivery and Handling
You will receive a phone call from the CF Fertilisers haulier to agree a delivery time. Please would you:

- Notify and prepare any staff
- Ensure correct equipment is available to offload
- Report any problems with delivery immediately. Once delivered, you are responsible for the product and for keeping it in top condition
- Use the correct equipment when handling. This is especially important when storing, as any damage to packaging can have an impact on safety and product quality

Emergency Advice
Ensure all staff are aware of the risks and know what to do in an emergency, if fertiliser is involved in a fire:

- Call the fire brigade
- Do not inhale fumes
- Use plenty of water
- Keep the building well ventilated

Lifting and Transport
All those involved in the lifting and transporting of fertilisers need to be aware of the following guidelines:

1. Follow the equipment manufacturer’s guidelines to ensure the safe working load is not exceeded
2. Ensure the forklift tires have rounded edges or are covered with a secured metal sleeve
3. Check bags and loops carefully for damage. Do not lift damaged bags
4. Make sure the protective sleeve on the lifting loop is correctly placed
5. Forks should be horizontal or tilted slightly upward – do not let the bags slide along the fork
6. Do not jerk the bag
7. Drive slowly and smoothly taking extra care on uneven ground

Storage
We recommend that all fertiliser is stored inside a secure building made from non-combustible materials and well ventilated with a floor free of sharp items like stones. There should not be any open drains, channels or pits in the storage building.

When storing product:
- Stack a maximum of 3 high and interlock bags for stability
- Have a maximum of 300 tonnes in each stack, with a 1 metre gap between stacks
- Take care to keep stores clean, tidy and secure and inspect regularly
- Take care dismantling stack if any bags become damaged
- Store well away from combustible materials – hay, straw, fuel, oil
- There must be no naked flames or smoking
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For further information please visit: www.gov.uk/government/publications/secure-your-fertiliser
To view our useful film please visit: www.cffertilisers.co.uk/storage-and-handling

Notification Requirements
If you store or are likely to store a combined total of 25 tonnes or more of 'dangerous substances' such as any AN based fertilisers classed as oxidising agents (UN2067 5.1) the law says you must:

- Notify HSE
- Notify the Fire and Rescue Service
- Display a general Danger Sign (Yellow triangle with exclamation mark) at the site entrance and an Oxidising Agent sign on the store door

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