

**RESTRICTED USE PESTICIDE
DUE TO ACUTE TOXICITY**
For retail sale to and use only by Certified Applicators or persons under their direct supervision, and only for those uses covered by the Certified Applicator's certification.

MBC 50-50 Preplant Soil Fumigant

ACTIVE INGREDIENTS:	By Wt.
Methyl Bromide	50%
Chloropicrin	50%
TOTAL	100%

This product weighs 14.1 pounds per gallon.



Si Usted no entiende la etiqueta, busque a alguien para que se la explique a Usted en detalle. (If you do not understand the label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

FIRST AID	
If inhaled	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Move person to fresh air, keep warm.If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably by mouth-to-mouth, if possible.Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If not unconscious, rinse mouth out with water.In all cases of overexposure, get medical attention immediately. Take person to a doctor or emergency treatment facility.
If on skin or clothing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Immediately remove contaminated clothing, shoes, and any other item on skin.Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes.In all cases of overexposure, get medical attention immediately. Take person to a doctor or emergency treatment facility.
If in eyes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes.Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye.In all cases of overexposure, get medical attention immediately. Take person to a doctor or emergency treatment facility.

HOT LINE NUMBER
Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. You may also contact 1-877-424-7452 for emergency treatment information.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN
Early symptoms of overexposure are dizziness, headache, nausea and vomiting, weakness and collapse. Lung edema may develop in 2 to 48 hours after exposure, accompanied by cardiac irregularities; these effects are the usual cause of death. Repeated overexposure can result in blurred vision, staggering gait and mental imbalance, with probable recovery after a period of no exposure. Blood bromine levels suggest the occurrence, but not the degree, of exposure. Treatment is symptomatic.

SEE SIDE PANEL FOR ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS
EPA REG No. 5785-48-9779
EPA Form No. 0084657-FL-004

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NET WEIGHT _____ **lbs.** **LOT NUMBER** _____
10267-48K

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS HAZARDS TO HUMANS & DOMESTIC ANIMALS

DANGER. Extremely hazardous vapor under pressure. Do not breathe vapors. Inhalation may be fatal or cause serious acute illness or delayed lung or nervous system injury which may have a delayed onset. This product contains chloropicrin which is very irritating to the eyes and causes painful irritation to the nose, throat, and eyes, producing tearing. If these symptoms occur, leave the fumigation area immediately. Continued exposure after irritation is evident, or higher concentrations, may cause painful irritation to the eyes or temporary blindness which may cause panic that may in turn lead to further accidents.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)
Some materials that are chemical-resistant to this product are Teflon®, EVAL barrier laminate and Viton®. For more options, follow the instructions for category H on the chemical-resistance category selection chart.

When not performing tasks with liquid contact potential, all handlers (including applicators) must wear:
- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants, and
- Shoes and socks.
- Protective gloves (Do NOT wear nitrile, vinyl, or rubber gloves when handling Methyl bromide and chloropicrin are heavier than air and can be trapped inside clothing and cause skin injury).

While performing tasks with liquid contact potential, all handlers (including applicators) must wear:
- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants, and
- Chemical-resistant gloves,
- Chemical-resistant apron,
- Protective eyewear (Do NOT wear goggles), and
- Chemical-resistant footwear and socks.

In addition, when an air-purifying respirator is required, handlers (including applicators) must wear a:
- NIOSH-approved full-face, or hood-style respirator with a cartridge or canister certified by the manufacturer for protection from exposure to methyl bromide at concentrations up to 5 ppm (e.g., a 3M air-purifying respirator equipped with 3M Model 60928 Organic Vapor/Acid Gas/P100 cartridges).

IMPORTANT: A self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) is not permitted for routine handler tasks. Wear an SCBA and PPE required for liquid contact potential in emergencies such as a spill or leak or when corrective action is needed to reduce air levels to acceptable levels.

USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS
Immediately after contamination, remove shoes and socks, and do not reuse until thoroughly aerated or ventilated. Keep such clothing and shoes outdoors until thoroughly aerated.
- Discard clothing and other absorbent materials that have been drenched or heavily contaminated with this product. Do not reuse them.
- Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables exist, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS
Users should:
- Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet.
- Remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.
- Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS
This pesticide is toxic to mammals and birds. Do not apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwaters or rinsate.

Methyl bromide and chloropicrin have certain properties and characteristics in common with chemicals that have been detected in groundwater (methyl bromide and chloropicrin are highly soluble in water and have low adsorption to soil).

PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL HAZARDS
Do not use in or near heat or open flame. In fires fueled by other materials, MBC 50-50 may liberate hazardous gases. The use of MBC 50-50 with aluminum, magnesium, zinc and alkali metals will result in the liberation of toxic gases, and possible fire and explosion. In addition, severe corrosion of containers and equipment made of these metals will occur.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE
It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS
This use product only in accordance with its labeling and with the Worker Protection Standard, 40 CFR 170. This Standard contains requirements for the protection of agricultural workers on farms, forests, nurseries, and greenhouses, and handlers of agricultural pesticides. It contains requirements for training, decontamination, notification, and emergency assistance. It also contains specific instructions and exceptions pertaining to the statements in this labeling about personal protective equipment, restricted-entry intervals, and notification to workers. The requirements in this box only apply to uses of this product that are covered by the Worker Protection Standard (WPS).

No instructions elsewhere on this labeling relieve users from complying with the requirements of the WPS.

For the entry restricted period and notification requirements, see the *Entry Restricted Period and Notification sections* of this labeling. PPE For Entry During the Entry-Restricted Period: PPE for entry that is permitted by this labeling is listed in the *Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals* section of this labeling.

General Precautions
- This fumigant is a highly hazardous material and should be used only by individuals trained in its proper use. Before using, read and follow all label precautions.
- All persons working with this fumigant must be knowledgeable about the hazards, and trained in the use of required respiratory equipment and detector devices, emergency procedures, and proper use of the fumigant.
- Comply with all local regulations and ordinances. Obtain an application permit from Agricultural Regulatory Agencies as required.
- Handle this fumigant in the open, with the operator "upwind" from the container where there is good ventilation.
- When fumigating soil from a tractor, 5 gallons of water must be carried on the tractor and placed in the tank if readily accessible. In addition to water available on the tractor, at least 5 gallons additional water must be available from the service truck. This water must be potable and in containers marked "Decontamination water not to be used for drinking."
- Keep pets, livestock, and other domestic animals out of the treated area during application and during tarp perforation and/or removal, if a tarp is used.

HANDLERS
The following activities are prohibited from being performed in the application block (i.e., the greenhouse or field or portion of a field treated with a fumigant in any 24-hour period) by anyone other than persons who have been appropriately trained and equipped as handlers in accordance with the requirements in the Worker Protection Standard (40 CFR Part 170), from the start of the application until the entry restricted period ends (NOTE: persons installing, perforating, removing, repairing, and monitoring tarps are considered handlers for the durations listed below). Those activities include those persons:
- Participating in the application as supervisors, loaders, drivers, tractor co-pilots, shovelers, crop ditchers, or as other direct application participants (the application starts when the fumigant is first introduced into the soil and ends after the fumigant has stopped being delivered/dispensed to the soil).
- Using devices to take air samples to monitor fumigant air concentrations;
- Cleaning up fumigant spills (this does not include emergency personnel not associated with the fumigation application);
- Handling or disposing of fumigant equipment, containers, and commercial pesticide applicators.
- Cleaning, handling, adjusting, or repairing the parts of fumigation equipment that may contain fumigant residues;
- Installing, repairing, operating, or removing irrigation equipment in the fumigation application block;
- Entering the application site to perform scouting, crop advising, or monitoring tasks.
- Installing, perforating (cutting, punching, slicing, poking), removing, repairing, or monitoring tarps:
- Until 14 days after application is complete if tarps are not perforated and removed during those 14 days, or
- Until tarp removal is complete and tarps are removed 14 days after application; or
- Until 48 hours after tarp perforation is complete if they will not be removed within 14 days after application.
NOTE: See *Tarp Perforation and Removal* section on this labeling for requirements about when tarps are allowed to be removed.

PROTECTION FOR HANDLERS
SUPERVISION OF HANDLERS
For all applications: From the start of the application until the fumigant has stopped being delivered/dispensed into the soil, i.e., after the soil is sealed, the certified applicator must be at the fumigation site in the line of sight of the application and must directly supervise all persons performing handling activities.
For handling activities that take place after the fumigant has been delivered/dispensed into the soil until the entry restricted period expires, the certified applicator does not have to be on-site, but must have communicated in a manner that can be understood by the certified applicator and handlers responsible for carrying out those activities the information necessary to comply with the label and procedures described in the FMP (e.g., emergency response plans and procedures).
Communication activities must be captured in the FMP.
IMPORTANT: This information does not override the requirements in the Worker Protection Standard for Agricultural Pesticides for each handler engaged in the fumigation. If a Hazardous Field Site handling operation is conducted, the fumigant must be directly supervised by all persons performing handling activities.
The certified applicator must provide Fumigant Safe Handling information to each handler involved in the application or confirm that each handler has received this information (see below for details). Fumigant Safe Handling information is provided to each handler understand within the past twelve months. Fumigant Safe Handling information will be provided where this product is purchased or at www.epa.gov/fumiganttraining.

For all handling tasks at least two handlers trained under the provisions of the WPS 40 CFR 170.230 must be present.

EXCLUSION OF NON HANDLERS FROM APPLICATION BLOCK
The certified applicator supervising the application and the owner/operator of the establishment where the fumigation is taking place must make sure that all persons who are not trained and PPE-equipped and who are not performing one of the handling tasks as stated in this labeling are excluded from the application block during the entry-restricted period.
PROVIDING, CLEANING, AND MAINTAINING PPE
The employer (as stated in this labeling) must make sure that all handlers are provided and correctly wear the required PPE. The PPE must be cleaned and maintained as required by the Worker Protection Standard for Agricultural Pesticides.
AIR-PURIFYING RESPIRATOR AVAILABILITY FOR PRE-PLANT SOIL USES
At a minimum two handlers must have the appropriate air-purifying respirator and cartridges available. These handlers must be fitted, trained, and medically examined. This must be documented in the FMP.
EXCLUSION OF NON HANDLERS FROM APPLICATION BLOCK
The employer of any handler must confirm that an air-purifying respirator and appropriate cartridges of the type specified in the PPE section of this labeling are immediately available for each handler who will wear one.

Availability of Respirators for Emergencies
The employer of this handler must have at least one self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) on-site and ready for use in case of an emergency. This must be documented in the FMP.
RESPIRATOR FIT TESTING, MEDICAL QUALIFICATION, AND TRAINING
Employers must verify that any handler who uses a respirator is:
- Fit-tested and fit-checked using a program that conforms to OSHA's requirements (see 29 CFR Part 1910.134) to wear a respirator. The initial evaluation consists of a questionnaire that asks about medical conditions (such as a heart condition) that would be problematic for respirator use. If concerns are identified, then additional evaluations, such as a physical exam, might be necessary. The initial evaluation must be done before respirator use begins. Handlers must be re-examined by a qualified medical practitioner if their health status or respiratory status changes. Upon request by local/state/federal/tribal enforcement personnel, employers must provide documentation demonstrating how they have complied with these requirements.

RESPIRATOR PROTECTION AND STOP WORK TRIGGERS
The following procedures must be followed to determine whether an air-purifying respirator is required or if operations must cease for any reason:
- If at any time any handler experiences sensory irritation (tearing, burning of the eyes or nose) then either:
- An air-purifying respirator (APR) must be worn by all handlers who remain in the application block, or
- Operations must cease and handlers not wearing an air-purifying respirator must leave the application block.
- Handlers can remove air-purifying respirators or resume operations if two consecutive breathing-zone samples taken at the handling site at least 15 minutes apart show that levels of methyl bromide have decreased to less than 1 ppm and levels of chloropicrin have decreased to less than 0.15 ppm, provided that handlers do not experience sensory irritation. During the collection of air samples, a full-face air-purifying respirator must be worn by the handler taking the air samples. Samples must be taken where the irritation is first experienced.
- To monitor air concentration levels, a direct reading detection device, such as a Matheson-Kitagawa, Draeger, or Sensidyne device must be used. The devices must have sensitivity of at least 1 ppm for methyl bromide and 0.15 ppm for chloropicrin.
- When breathing zone samples are required, they must be taken outside respiratory protection equipment and within a ten inch radius of the handler's nose and mouth.
- When air-purifying respirators are worn, air monitoring samples must be collected at least every 2 hours in the breathing zone of a handler performing a representative handling task.
- If at any time: (1) a handler experiences any sensory irritation when wearing an air-purifying respirator, or (2) a methyl bromide air sample is greater than 5 ppm or a chloropicrin air sample is greater than or equal to 1.5 ppm, then all handler activities must cease and handlers must leave the application block. If operations resume the emergency plan detailed in the FMP must be implemented.
- Handlers can resume work activities when air-purifying respirator (2) consecutive breathing-zone samples taken at the handling site at least 15 minutes apart show levels of methyl bromide have decreased to 1 ppm and levels of chloropicrin have decreased to less than 0.15 ppm, provided that handlers do not experience sensory irritation. During the collection of air samples an air-purifying respirator must be worn by the handler taking the air samples. Samples must be taken where the irritation is first experienced.
- Work activities can resume if all of the following conditions exist provided the appropriate air-purifying respirator is worn:
- Two consecutive breathing zone samples for methyl bromide taken at the handling site at least 15 minutes apart must be less than 5 ppm, but are greater than 1 ppm.
- Two consecutive breathing zone samples for chloropicrin taken at the handling site at least 15 minutes apart must be less than 1.5 ppm, but are greater than 0.15 ppm.
- Handlers do not experience sensory irritation while wearing the APR.
- Cartridges have been changed, and
- During the collection of air samples an air-purifying respirator must be worn by the handler taking the air samples. Samples must be taken where the irritation is first experienced.

TARP PERFORATION AND/OR REMOVAL
IMPORTANT: Persons perforating, repairing, removing, and/or monitoring tarps are defined, within certain time limitations, as handlers (see handlers as stated in this labeling) and must be provided the PPE and other protections for handlers as required on this labeling and in the Worker Protection Standard for Agricultural Pesticides.
- Tarps must not be perforated until a minimum of 5 days (120 hours) have elapsed after the fumigant injection into the soil is complete (e.g., after injection of the fumigant product and unless a weather condition exists which necessitates the need for early perforation or removal, see *Tarp Removal for Broadcast Application Only and Early Tarp Perforation for Flood Prevention* sections).
- If tarps will be removed before the required 5 days after fumigant injection, tarps must be removed after tarp perforation is complete and 2 air monitoring samples are less than 1 ppm methyl bromide. (If 2 air monitoring samples have methyl bromide levels between 1 ppm and 5 ppm, then an air-purifying respirator is required before tarp removal can begin.)
- If tarps will not be removed before the required 5 days after fumigant injection, tarps must be removed after tarp perforation is complete.
- If tarps are left intact for a minimum of 14 days after fumigant injection into the soil is complete, planting or transplanting may be completed.
- Each tarp panel used for broadcast fumigation must be perforated.
- Tarp used for fumigations may be perforated manually ONLY for the following situations:
- At the beginning of each row when a coultter blade (or other device which performs similarly) is used on a motorized vehicle such as an ATV.
- In fields that are 1 acre or less.
- During flood prevention activities.
- In all other instances, tarps must be perforated (cut, punched, poked, or sliced) only by mechanical methods.
- Tarp perforation for broadcast fumigations must be completed before noon.
- For broadcast fumigations, tarps must be perforated if rainfall is expected within 12 hours.
- Early Tarp Removal for Broadcast Applications Only:
- Tarps may be removed before the required 5 days (120 hours) if adverse weather conditions have compromised the integrity of the tarp, provided that the fumigant product and tarp are protected and removed before the required 5 days, wind, hail, or storms that blow tarps off the field and create a hazard, e.g., tarps blowing into power lines and onto roads, A compromised tarp is a tarp that due to an adverse weather condition is no longer performing its intended function and cannot be repaired.
- If tarps are removed before the required 5 days have elapsed due to adverse weather, the events must be documented in the Post-Application Summary.
- Early Tarp Perforation for Flood Prevention Activities:
- Tarp perforation is allowed before the 5 days (120 hours) have elapsed.
- Tarps must be immediately retracted and packed after soil removal.

ENTRY RESTRICTED PERIOD
Entry restricted period after application is complete if tarps are not perforated and removed for at least 14 days following application. Note: Persons installing, repairing, or monitoring tarps are handlers until 14 days after the application is complete if tarps are not perforated and removed during those 14 days, or 48 hours after tarp perforation is complete if tarps will not be removed for at least 14 days following application, or until tarp removal is completed if tarps are both perforated and removed less than 14 days after application.

MANDATORY GOOD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES (GAPs)
The following GAPs must be followed during all fumigant applications. All measurements and other documentation planned to ensure that the mandatory GAPs are achieved must be recorded in the FMP and/or the Post-Application Summary.
Tarps (required for all applications)
- Tarps must be installed immediately after the fumigant is applied to the soil for bedded or broadcast applications.
- Other factors used to determine when to use a tarp include:
- Schedule and procedures for checking tarps for damage, tears, and other problems
- Plans for determining when and how repairs to tarps will be made, and by whom
- Schedule and target dates for performing tarp repairs
- Minimum size of tarp damage that will be repaired
- Other factors used to determine how and when tarp repair will be conducted
- Schedule, equipment, and methods used to perform tarp repairs
- Aeration plans and procedures following perforation of tarp, but prior to tarp removal or planting/transplanting
- Schedule, equipment, and procedures for tarp removal.
Weather Conditions
- Prior to fumigating the weather forecast for the day of the application and the 48-hour period following the fumigation must be reviewed, and weather conditions must be forecasted using the *Identifying Unfavorable Weather Conditions* section or are predicted and whether fumigation should begin.
- Wind speed at the application site must be a minimum of 2 mph at the start of the application or forecasted to reach at least 5 mph during the application.
- Do not apply if a shallow, compressed (low-level) temperature inversion is forecast to persist for more than 18 consecutive hours for the 48-hour period after the start of application, or if there is an air stagnation advisory issued by the National Weather Service in effect for the day of the application.
- Detailed local forecasts for weather conditions, wind speed, and air stagnation advisories may be obtained on-line at: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov> or by contacting your local National Weather Service Forecasting Office.

Identifying Unfavorable Weather Conditions
- Unfavorable weather conditions block upward movement of air which results in trapping fumigant vapors near the ground. The resulting air mass can move off-site in unpredictable directions. These conditions typically exist prior to sunset and continue past sunrise and persist as late as nighttime. Unfavorable conditions are common on nights with limited cloud cover and light to no wind and their presence can be indicated by ground fog or smog and can also be indicated by smoke from a ground source that flattens out below a ceiling layer and moves laterally in a concentrated cloud.
Soil Temperature
- The maximum soil temperature at the depth of injection must not exceed 90 degrees F. At the beginning of the application:
- If air temperatures have been above 100 degrees F in any of the three days prior to application, then soil temperature must be measured and recorded in the FMP.
Soil Moisture
- The soil must be moist 9 inches below the surface. The amount of moisture needed in this zone will vary according to soil type and the amount of water in the application has received Fumigant Safe Handling information on the day of application. Surface soil generally dries rapidly and must not be considered in this determination.
- If there is insufficient moisture 9 inches below the surface, the soil moisture must be adjusted. If irrigation is not available and there is adequate soil moisture below 9 inches, soil moisture can be adjusted by discing or plowing before fumigant injection.
- To conserve existing soil moisture, pretreatment irrigation or pretreatment tillage should be done as close to the time of application as possible.
- Measure soil moisture at a depth of 9 inches at either end of the field, no more than 48 hours prior to application.

Soil Moisture Determination
The USDA Field and Research Method for estimating soil moisture as appropriate for the soil texture:
- For coarse textured soils (fine sand and loamy fine sand), the soil is moist enough (50 to 75 percent available soil water moisture) to form a weak ball with loose and clustered sand grains on fingers, darkened color, moderate water staining on fingers, and soil moisture below 9 inches, soil moisture can be adjusted by discing or plowing before fumigant injection.
- For moderately coarse textured soils (sandy loam and fine sandy loam), the soil is moist enough (50 to 75 percent available soil water moisture) to form a ball with defined finger marks, very light soilwater staining on fingers, darkened color will not soil water moisture) to form a ball with defined finger marks, light soilwater staining on fingers, ribbons between thumb and forefinger.
- For fields with more than one soil texture, soil moisture content in the lightest textured (most sandy) areas must comply with this soil moisture requirement. Whenever possible, the field should be divided into areas of similar soil texture and the soil moisture must be determined for each area as needed. Coarser textured soils can be fumigated under conditions of higher soil moisture than finer textured soils; however, if the soil moisture is too high, fumigant movement will be retarded and effectiveness of the treatment will be reduced. Previous and/or local experience with the soil to be treated or the crop to be treated can often serve as a guide to determine what soil moisture conditions will be acceptable. It is an important consideration. To accommodate erosion control, fumigant efficacy, and human health protection, check fields of crop residue as close to the timing of the fumigation as possible to limit the length of time that the soil would be exposed to potentially erosive weather conditions.
Soil Sealing
- For Bedded Applications: Preformed beds must be sealed by disruption of the chisel trace using press sealers, bed shapers, culpackers, or by re-shaping (e.g., re-lifting, lifting and replacing) the beds immediately following injection. Beds formed at the time of application must be sealed by disrupting the chisel trace using press sealers, or bed shapers.
- For Tarp-Bedded and Tarp-Bedded Applications: The use of a tarp does not eliminate the need to minimize chisel traces prior to application of the tarp, such as by using a Nobol plow or other injection shank that disrupts the chisel traces.
Bedded and Broadcast Shank Applications: Additional Mandatory GAPs
In addition to the GAPs required for all soil fumigation applications, the following GAPs apply for injection applications:
Tarps
- Tarps must be installed immediately after the fumigant is applied to the soil.
Soil Preparation
- Trench plow by the shanks to the ends of the field must be covered with tarp, or soil, depending on the application method before making the turn for the next pass.
Application Depth and Spacing
- For Tarp-Bedded and Tarp-Bedded Applications: The injection point must be a minimum of 8 inches from the nearest end of the field. For Tarp-Bedded Applications: The injection depth must not be deeper than the lowest point of the tarp (i.e., the lowest point of the tuck).
- Apply MBC 50-50 with chisel equipment. The use of a tarp does not eliminate the need to minimize chisel traces prior to application of the tarp, such as by using a Nobol plow or other injection shank that disrupts the chisel traces.
When applying MBC 50-50 with a Nobol plow, use an outlet spacing of 9-12 inches along the sweeps.
Prevention of End Row Spillage
- Do not apply or allow fumigant to spill onto the soil surface. For each injection line either have a check valve located as close as possible to the final injection point, or drain/purge the line of any remaining fumigant prior to lifting injection shanks from the ground.
- Do not lift injection shanks from the soil until the shut-off valve has been closed and the fumigant has been depressurized (passively drained) or purged (actively forced out via air compressor) from the system.
Calibration, Set-up, Repair, and Maintenance for Application Rigs
- Brass, carbon steel or stainless steel fittings must be used throughout. Polyethylene tubing, polypropylene tubing, Teflon® tubing or Teflon®-lined steel braided tubing must be used for all low pressure lines, drain lines, and compressed gas or air pressure lines. All other tubing must be Teflon®-lined steel braided.
- Galvanized, PVC, nylon or aluminum pipe fittings must not be used.
- All rigs must include a filter to remove any particulates from the fumigant, and for pressurized systems a check valve to prevent backflow of the fumigant into the pressurizing cylinder or the compressed air system.
- Rigs must include a flow meter or a constant pressure system with orifice plates to insure the proper amount of fumigant is applied.
- To prevent the backflow of fumigant into the compressed gas cylinder (e.g., nitrogen, other inert gas, compressed air), if used, applicators must:
- If a compressed gas cylinder is used, make sure that positive pressure is maintained in the compressed gas cylinder at not less than 200 psi during the entire time it is connected to the application rig. (This is not required for a compressed air system that is part of the application rig because if the compressor system fails the application rig will not be operable).
- Ensure that application rigs are equipped with properly functioning check valves between the compressed gas cylinder or compressed air system and the fumigant and the fumigant and the fumigant application rig. The pressure regulator, and is oriented to only allow compressed gas to flow out of the cylinder or compressed air out of the compressed air system.
- Always pressurize the system with compressed gas or by use of a compressed air system before opening the fumigant cylinder valve.
- Before using a fumigation rig for the first time, or when preparing it for use after storage, the operator must check the following items carefully:
- Check the filter and clean or replace the filter element as required.
- Check all tubes and chises to make sure they are free of debris and obstructions.
- Check and clean the orifice plates and screws.
- Pressurize the system with compressed gas or compressed air, and check all fittings, valves, and connections for leaks using soap solution.
- Install the fumigant cylinder and connect and secure all tubing. Slowly open the compressed gas or compressed air valve, and increase the pressure to the desired level. Slowly open the fumigant cylinder valve, always watching for leaks.
- When the application is complete, close the fumigant cylinder valve and blow residual fumigant out of the fumigant lines into the soil using compressed gas or compressed air. At the end of the application, disconnect the fumigant cylinder from the application rig. At the end of the season, seal all tubing openings with tape to prevent the entry of insects and dirt.
- Application equipment must be calibrated and all control systems must be working properly. Proper calibration is essential for tarp perforation for flood prevention activities.
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- On how to calibrate your equipment, usually the equipment manufacturer, fumigant dealer, or Cooperative Extension Service can provide assistance.

Planting Interval
- Wait a minimum of two weeks after fumigation before planting or transplanting. If odors of the fumigant persist beyond this two-week period (and after tarps are perforated and removed), disc or plow the soil to help aeration. See *Tarp Perforation and/or Removal* section on this labeling for further requirements.
Pre-Plant Soil Fumigation in Greenhouses: Mandatory GAPs
- During the application keep doors, vents and windows to the outside open and fans or other mechanical ventilation systems running with the application block.
- Leaks through which gases could enter adjacent enclosed areas must be sealed.

NOTE: See *Tarp Perforation and/or Removal* section on this labeling for requirements about when tarps are allowed to be perforated.

NOTIFICATION
Notify workers of the application by warning them orally and by posting Fumigant Treated Area signs. The signs must bear the following information:
- "DANGER/PELIGRO,"
- "Area under fumigation. DO NOT ENTER/NO ENTRE."
- "Methyl Bromide and Chloropicrin FUMIGATION IN USE."
- the date and time of fumigation,
- the date and time entry restricted period is over.
- MBC 50-50, and
- Name, address, and telephone number of the certified applicator in charge of the fumigation.

Post the Fumigant Treated Area sign instead of the WPS sign for this application but follow all WPS requirements pertaining to location, legibility, size, and timing of posting of WPS sign.

Post the Fumigant Treated Area signs at all entrances to the application block (i.e., the greenhouse or field or portion of a field treated with a fumigant in any 24-hour period).

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- Plans for determining when and how repairs to tarps will be made, and by whom
- Schedule and target dates for performing tarp repairs
- Minimum size of tarp damage that will be repaired
- Other factors used to determine how and when tarp repair will be conducted
- Schedule, equipment, and methods used to perform tarp repairs
- Aeration plans and procedures following perforation of tarp, but prior to tarp removal or planting/transplanting
- Schedule, equipment, and procedures for tarp removal.
Weather Conditions
- Prior to fumigating the weather forecast for the day of the application and the 48-hour period following the fumigation must be reviewed, and weather conditions must be forecasted using the *Identifying Unfavorable Weather Conditions* section or are predicted and whether fumigation should begin.
- Wind speed at the application site must be a minimum of 2 mph at the start of the application or forecasted to reach at least 5 mph during the application.
- Do not apply if a shallow, compressed (low-level) temperature inversion is forecast to persist for more than 18 consecutive hours for the 48-hour period after the start of application, or if there is an air stagnation advisory issued by the National Weather Service in effect for the day of the application.
- Detailed local forecasts for weather conditions, wind speed, and air stagnation advisories may be obtained on-line at: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov> or by contacting your local National Weather Service Forecasting Office.

Identifying Unfavorable Weather Conditions
- Unfavorable weather conditions block upward movement of air which results in trapping fumigant vapors near the ground. The resulting air mass can move off-site in unpredictable directions. These conditions typically exist prior to sunset and continue past sunrise and persist as late as nighttime. Unfavorable conditions are common on nights with limited cloud cover and light to no wind and their presence can be indicated by ground fog or smog and can also be indicated by smoke from a ground source that flattens out below a ceiling layer and moves laterally in a concentrated cloud.
Soil Temperature
- The maximum soil temperature at the depth of injection must not exceed 90 degrees F. At the beginning of the application:
- If air temperatures have been above 100 degrees F in any of the three days prior to application, then soil temperature must be measured and recorded in the FMP.
Soil Moisture
- The soil must be moist 9 inches below the surface. The amount of moisture needed in this zone will vary according to soil type and the amount of water in the application has received Fumigant Safe Handling information on the day of application. Surface soil generally dries rapidly and must not be considered in this determination.
- If there is insufficient moisture 9 inches below the surface, the soil moisture must be adjusted. If irrigation is not available and there is adequate soil moisture below 9 inches, soil moisture can be adjusted by discing or plowing before fumigant injection.
- To conserve existing soil moisture, pretreatment irrigation or pretreatment tillage should be done as close to the time of application as possible.
- Measure soil moisture at a depth of 9 inches at either end of the field, no more than 48 hours prior to application.

Soil Moisture Determination
The USDA Field and Research Method for estimating soil moisture as appropriate for the soil texture:
- For coarse textured soils (fine sand and loamy fine sand), the soil is moist enough (50 to 75 percent available soil water moisture) to form a weak ball with loose and clustered sand grains on fingers, darkened color, moderate water staining on fingers, and soil moisture below 9 inches, soil moisture can be adjusted by discing or plowing before fumigant injection.
- For moderately coarse textured soils (sandy loam and fine sandy loam), the soil is moist enough (50 to 75 percent available soil water moisture) to form a ball with defined finger marks, very light soilwater staining on fingers, darkened color will not soil water moisture) to form a ball with defined finger marks, light soilwater staining on fingers, ribbons between thumb and forefinger.
- For fields with more than one soil texture, soil moisture content in the lightest textured (most sandy) areas must comply with this soil moisture requirement. Whenever possible, the field should be divided into areas of similar soil texture and the soil moisture must be determined for each area as needed. Coarser textured soils can be fumigated under conditions of higher soil moisture than finer textured soils; however, if the soil moisture is too high, fumigant movement will be retarded and effectiveness of the treatment will be reduced. Previous and/or local experience with the soil to be treated or the crop to be treated can often serve as a guide to determine what soil moisture conditions will be acceptable. It is an important consideration. To accommodate erosion control, fumigant efficacy, and human health protection, check fields of crop residue as close to the timing of the fumigation as possible to limit the length of time that the soil would be exposed to potentially erosive weather conditions.
Soil Sealing
- For Bedded Applications: Preformed beds must be sealed by disruption of the chisel trace using press sealers, bed shapers, culpackers, or by re-shaping (e.g., re-lifting, lifting and replacing) the beds immediately following injection. Beds formed at the time of application must be sealed by disrupting the chisel trace using press sealers, or bed shapers.
- For Tarp-Bedded and Tarp-Bedded Applications: The use of a tarp does not eliminate the need to minimize chisel traces prior to application of the tarp, such as by using a Nobol plow or other injection shank that disrupts the chisel traces.
Bedded and Broadcast Shank Applications: Additional Mandatory GAPs
In addition to the GAPs required for all soil fumigation applications, the following GAPs apply for injection applications:
Tarps
- Tarps must be installed immediately after the fumigant is applied to the soil.
Soil Preparation
- Trench plow by the shanks to the ends of the field must be covered with tarp, or soil, depending on the application method before making the turn for the next pass.
Application Depth and Spacing
- For Tarp-Bedded and Tarp-Bedded Applications: The injection point must be a minimum of 8 inches from the nearest end of the field. For Tarp-Bedded Applications: The injection depth must not be deeper than the lowest point of the tarp (i.e., the lowest point of the tuck).
- Apply MBC 50-50 with chisel equipment. The use of a tarp does not eliminate the need to minimize chisel traces prior to application of the tarp, such as by using a Nobol plow or other injection shank that disrupts the chisel traces.
When applying MBC 50-50 with a Nobol plow, use an outlet spacing of 9-12 inches along the sweeps.
Prevention of End Row Spillage
- Do not apply or allow fumigant to spill onto the soil surface. For each injection line either have a check valve located as close as possible to the final injection point, or drain/purge the line of any remaining fumigant prior to lifting injection shanks from the ground.
- Do not lift injection shanks from the soil until the shut-off valve has been closed and the fumigant has been depressurized (passively drained) or purged (actively forced out via air compressor) from the system.
Calibration, Set-up, Repair, and Maintenance for Application Rigs
- Brass, carbon steel or stainless steel fittings must be used throughout. Polyethylene tubing, polypropylene tubing, Teflon® tubing or Teflon®-lined steel braided tubing must be used for all low pressure lines, drain lines, and compressed gas or air pressure lines. All other tubing must be Teflon®-lined steel braided.
- Galvanized, PVC, nylon or aluminum pipe fittings must not be used.
- All rigs must include a filter to remove any particulates from the fumigant, and for pressurized systems a check valve to prevent backflow of the fumigant into the pressurizing cylinder or the compressed air system.
- Rigs must include a flow meter or a constant pressure system with orifice plates to insure the proper amount of fumigant is applied.
- To prevent the backflow of fumigant into the compressed gas cylinder (e.g., nitrogen, other inert gas, compressed air), if used, applicators must:
- If a compressed gas cylinder is used, make sure that positive pressure is maintained in the compressed gas cylinder at not less than 200 psi during the entire time it is connected to the application rig. (This is not required for a compressed air system that is part of the application rig because if the compressor system fails the application rig will not be operable).
- Ensure that application rigs are equipped with properly functioning check valves between the compressed gas cylinder or compressed air system and the fumigant and the fumigant and the fumigant application rig. The pressure regulator, and is oriented to only allow compressed gas to flow out of the cylinder or compressed air out of the compressed air system.
- Always pressurize the system with compressed gas or by use of a compressed air system before opening the fumigant cylinder valve.
- Before using a fumigation rig for the first time, or when preparing it for use after storage, the operator must check the following items carefully:
- Check the filter and clean or replace the filter element as required.
- Check all tubes and chises to make sure they are free of debris and obstructions.
- Check and clean the orifice plates and screws.
- Pressurize the system with compressed gas or compressed air, and check all fittings, valves, and connections for leaks using soap solution.
- Install the fumigant cylinder and connect and secure all tubing. Slowly open the compressed gas or compressed air valve, and increase the pressure to the desired level. Slowly open the fumigant cylinder valve, always watching for leaks.
- When the application is complete, close the fumigant cylinder valve and blow residual fumigant out of the fumigant lines into the soil using compressed gas or compressed air. At the end of the application, disconnect the fumigant cylinder from the application rig. At the end of the season, seal all tubing openings with tape to prevent the entry of insects and dirt.
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- On how to calibrate your equipment, usually the equipment manufacturer, fumigant dealer, or Cooperative Extension Service can provide assistance.