

## Proposed product stewardship regulations: Agrichemicals, their containers, and farm plastics

## **Consultation questions**

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1.		Do you agree with the description of the problem posed by agrichemicals, their containers, and farm plastics? Yes   No. Comments (optional):
2.		What other information should we consider in analysing the problem?
3.	a)	In line with its accreditation, the new scheme's provisional name is Green-farms. Do you support this name? Yes   No
	b)	If you have an alternative suggestion, please specify.
4.		Do you agree the options presented (Option 1 – Introduce WMA regulations; Option 2 – No action) are the appropriate ones to consider? Yes   No
		If not, what other options do you suggest?
5.		Do you support a national take-back and recycling scheme for agrichemicals, their containers, and farm plastics? Yes   No. Comments (optional):
6.	a)	Do you support the proposal to only allow sale of the following products in accordance with an accredited product stewardship scheme?
		<ul> <li>Agrichemicals sold in containers and drums of 1,000 litres or less (including household pest and weed control products). Yes   No. Comments (optional):</li> </ul>
		Plastic bale wrap and silage sheet. Yes   No. Comments (optional):
		<ul> <li>Small plastic bags (40 kilograms or less when full) containing products such as seed, feed, fertiliser, soil and crop inputs, farm and animal supplements. Yes   No. Comments (optional):</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Bulk woven polypropylene bags (over 40 kilograms when full) containing products such as seed, feed, fertiliser, soil amendments, minerals and bulk nutrition. Yes   No. Comments (optional):</li> </ul>
	b)	If you answered no for any of the product categories above, what changes could we make to the proposal to gain your support?
7.	a)	Do you support the proposal to set a product stewardship fee on the following imported or domestically manufactured products, to cover their end-of-life management?
		<ul> <li>Agrichemicals sold in containers and drums of 1,000 litres or less (including household pest and weed control products). Yes   No. Comments (optional):</li> </ul>
		Plastic bale wrap and silage sheet. Yes   No. Comments (optional):
		• Small plastic bags (40 kilograms or less when full) containing products such as seed, feed, fertiliser, soil and crop inputs, farm and animal supplements. Yes   No. Comments (optional):
		<ul> <li>Bulk woven polypropylene bags (over 40 kilograms when full) containing products such as seed, feed, fertiliser, soil amendments, minerals and bulk nutrition. Yes   No. Comments (optional):</li> </ul>

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b)	If you answered no for any of the product categories above, what changes could we make to the proposal to gain your support?	
8.	Do you think that any particular products in the four proposed categories should be exempt from regulation? Yes   No.	
	If yes, please specify which products, and provide details.	
9.	From the following list of products proposed to be in scope of regulations, are you aware of any imported products that are subsequently re-exported in the same packaging without being used in New Zealand?	
	<ul> <li>Agrichemicals sold in containers and drums of 1,000 litres or less (including household pest and weed control products). Yes   No. Comments (optional):</li> </ul>	
	Plastic bale wrap and silage sheet. Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
	<ul> <li>Small plastic bags (40 kilograms or less when full) containing products such as seed, feed, fertiliser, soil and crop inputs, farm and animal supplements. Yes   No. Comments (optional):</li> </ul>	
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10.	The following products are out of scope of the regulations proposed through this consultation. However, they may be considered for regulation in future. Do you support their inclusion in a regulated product stewardship scheme in future, subject to further government consideration?	
	Irrigation piping. Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
	Shrink/pallet wrap. Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
	Tunnel house covers. Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
	Wool fadges. Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
	Potted plant pots. Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
	Vineyard netting. Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
	<ul> <li>Hail netting and other coverings. Yes   No. Comments (optional):</li> <li>Other agricultural plastic products. Yes   No. If yes, please specify which ones.</li> </ul>	
11.	Do you support the proposal to require the product stewardship organisation to provide a take-back service for in-scope products, and to prescribe requirements for that service (eg, that the collection network covers enough of the country)? Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
12.	Do you support the proposal that the Ministry will charge the accredited scheme to recover the costs of monitoring the performance of the scheme? Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
13. a)	Do you agree with the description of the expected impacts of Option 1: Introduce WMA regulations? Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
b)	Are you aware of other data or information that would help us assess the impacts of this option? Yes   No. If yes, please specify.	
14. a)	Do you agree with the description of the expected impacts of Option 2: No action (maintain the voluntary approach)? Yes   No. Comments (optional):	
b)	Are you aware of other data or information that would help us assess the impacts of this option? Yes   No. If yes, please specify.	
15.	If you had to take part in the proposed regulated scheme, how would this affect your business?	
	Please give details of anticipated costs, benefits and any other impacts.	