

# Everything you need to know about BMP's

TOPPS developed a document on **Best Management Practices (BMP)**. These BMP's define a "European Core" which is consistent across countries and which should be considered as being essential to prevent point source pollution.

The development of the BMP's was made in a sequential approach to ensure the involvement of a large group of stakeholders.



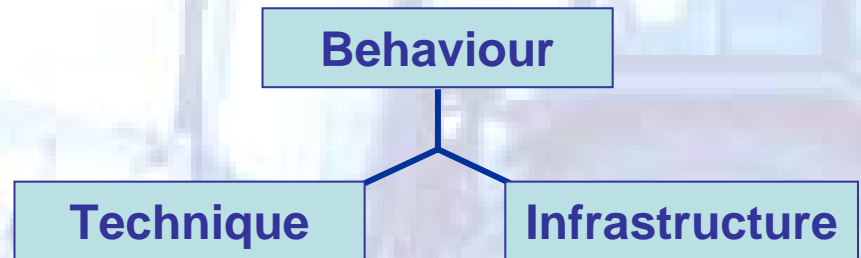
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## BMP's: structure

BMP's are structured on the basis of defined processes, which represent a sequence of steps in the use of plant protection products.

There are 6 main processes defined:

- 💧 Transport
- 💧 Storage
- 💧 **Before, during and after** spraying
- 💧 Remnant management



The BMP's are developed in a two step approach:

Statements = **What to do's!**

“European core” which should be followed by all memberstates

Specifications = **How to do's!**

Proposal which can be adapted to variable national regulations

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## BMP's: key recommendations

Point sources are mainly losses related to filling, cleaning of spray equipment and remnant spray management.

### 💧 Filling

- 💧 Filling on farmyard only with precautions

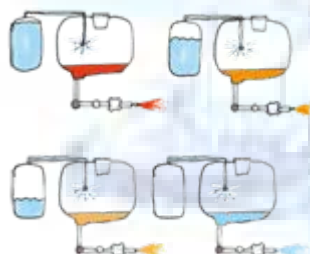


- 💧 Filling in the field

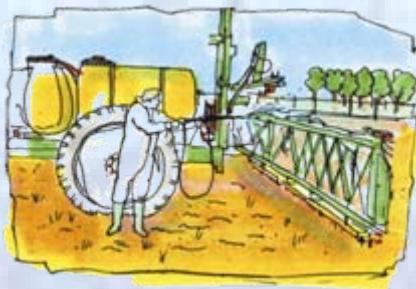


### 💧 After spraying

- 💧 Rinse 3 times



- 💧 Cleaning outside



### 💧 Remnant Management

Never bring undiluted spray back to the farm unless it is to be reused or treated

