

The Illinois Department of Agriculture now requires all growers or operators who transport or apply anhydrous ammonia, or otherwise maintain anhydrous ammonia equipment, be certified to understand the properties of ammonia, to become competent in safe operating practices, and to take appropriate actions in the event of a leak or emergency.

*Initial certification shall be achieved no later than April 1, 2022 and certified individuals must participate in a refresher training every three (3) years.*

## SDS: Anhydrous Ammonia

# Anhydrous Ammonia Release Notification

In the event of an emergency release of 18 gallons or 100 pounds or more, the person in possession of NH<sub>3</sub> must immediately notify all four (4) of the emergency contacts listed within 15 minutes after a reportable quantity release per federal and state guidelines.

- (1) Local Emergency Response: **911**
- (2) Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA): **1-800-782-7860**
- (3) Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC):

Bureau County: **815-875-2077**  
DeKalb County: **815-756-9513**  
Grundy County: **815-941-3212**  
LaSalle County: **815-433-5622**

Lee County: **815-284-3365**  
Livingston County: **815-844-0911**  
Marshall County: **309-246-2295**  
Putnam County: **815-925-3073**

If the Illinois county where the emergency release occurred is not listed, please see below for a statewide list of LEPCs. [https://www2.illinois.gov/iema/Preparedness/SERC/Documents/LEPC\\_TierII\\_ContactList.pdf](https://www2.illinois.gov/iema/Preparedness/SERC/Documents/LEPC_TierII_ContactList.pdf)

- (4) National Response Center (NRC): **1-800-424-8802**

A written follow-up report is also required and must be sent to IEMA and the LEPC as soon as possible following the incident. If you have any questions regarding the written report, you may reach out to Northern Partners Cooperative for assistance at this step of reporting.

NPC Ottawa: 815-539-1083  
NPC Tonica: 815-539-1084  
NPC Malden: 815-539-1081

Brock Pinter, Agronomy Operations Manager: 815-878-2520

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## Other Resources:

NH3 Safety Checklist for Growers

[https://www.ifca.com/media/web/1584645578\\_NH3%20Safety%20Checklist%20for%20Growers.pdf](https://www.ifca.com/media/web/1584645578_NH3%20Safety%20Checklist%20for%20Growers.pdf)

Illinois Fertilizer & Chemical Association (IFCA): Regulations: Ammonia

<https://www.ifca.com/Regulations/Ammonia>

Anhydrous Ammonia SDS: CF Industries

[https://www.cfindustries.com/globalassets/cf-industries/media/documents/safety-data-sheets/ammonia---north-america/anhydrous\\_ammonia\\_sds\\_na\\_v3.pdf](https://www.cfindustries.com/globalassets/cf-industries/media/documents/safety-data-sheets/ammonia---north-america/anhydrous_ammonia_sds_na_v3.pdf)