

Manure Incorporation and Utilization

Tips to Accomplish Practice Standard

- Ensure all the planned nutrient BMPs (Basic & Precision VNMP or CNMP, Manure Inc, P Placement), align with the recommendations of the approved VNMP or CNMP. If any nutrient BMP results in an overapplication, the grower forfeits all related nutrient BMP payments.
- Ensure manure analyses include organic nitrogen and ammonium nitrogen content.
- Follow applicable guidelines and setbacks for manure application set forth in the Ohio NRCS 590 Nutrient Management Standard.
- Manure application must be consistent with any other applicable permits or local requirements
 - If applicable, check with the Ohio Department of Agriculture - Division of Livestock Environmental Permitting to be sure application rates are compliant.
- Ensure that the timing and method of manure application meets one of the application methods detailed in the Manure Incorporation Practice Standard.
- Keep application records, which will ultimately be entered into MyFarms during the VNMP or CNMP Certification process.

General Timing for Approved Application Methods

Method	Manure Type	Time Frame	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Spring Incorporation	Both	After April 1, before crop emergence												
Side Dress	Liquid	To a growing corn crop, after emergence												
Grassland Applicator on wheat or overwintering cover	Liquid	After green-up, before termination												
Incorporation after harvest	Both	After harvest, by October 31st.												
Direct injection on established cover, minimal disturbance	Liquid	After harvest, by October 31st.												
Irrigated on growing crop	Liquid	June 1st to August 30th												
On perennial forage immediately following harvest	Both	Immediately after cutting												
On 75% residue cover	Dry	April 1st to June 30th.												
Following small grain, on established cover crop, no incorporation	Dry	After harvest, before August 30th.												
Do No Spread	Both	November 1st to March 15th												

Important Dates

The grower must complete the Certification process by September 30th of the enrolled Crop Year.

Certification Instructions

1. Log in to the applicable “Grower” account in the MyFarms H2Ohio experience.
2. Navigate to the “BMP Certification” milestone and complete the Certification tasks.
3. Once the Certification tasks are completed by the grower or an advisor, the SWCD will review the documents and either release payment or ask for more information.