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## Dicamba Rule Reminder

**LITTLE ROCK, AR** – The Arkansas Department of Agriculture is reminding farmers and applicators about the State Plant Board’s 2021 rule amendments that prohibit the in-crop application of dicamba after June 30.

The federal law that applies to labeling and use of pesticides allows states to enact rules for pesticide use that are more restrictive than the federal label. While the federal label may indicate that dicamba can still be applied to cotton, and that smaller buffer zones are in order, the more restrictive provisions of the Arkansas rule are controlling.

Farmers and applicators who fail to comply with the Arkansas rule may be subject to civil penalties up to \$25,000 per violation and possible suspension or revocation of their applicator license.

The rule may be viewed on the Department website at [www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/plant-industries/rules-and-regulations](http://www.agriculture.arkansas.gov/plant-industries/rules-and-regulations).

Producers with suspected dicamba symptomology on soybeans may request an investigation by the Department’s Plant Industries Division at [www.cognitoforms.com/ArkansasAgriculture1/RequestForSuspectedDicambaInvestigation](http://www.cognitoforms.com/ArkansasAgriculture1/RequestForSuspectedDicambaInvestigation) or by calling 501-225-1598.

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