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University of Kentucky Nursery Crops Team

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Cooler, Wetter than Average Start to October

The NOAA's Climate Prediction Center is forecasting an above average probability for cooler and wetter than average conditions for the first two weeks of October.

This pattern becomes less clear as move into the second half of October, with equal chances for cooler/warmer than average and wetter/driver than average weather.

See **UKAg Weather's Long Range Outlooks** for a variety of forecasts of temperature and precipitation probabilities.

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FIFRA is the abbreviation for the **Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act**. FIFRA was enacted in 1947. Thousands of pesticides have been registered since the establishment of the statute.

FIFRA is the federal law that oversees and governs the registration, distribution, sales and use of pesticides. A pesticide, as defined by FIFRA, is any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling or managing

any pests, or intended for use as plant regulator, defoliant, desiccant, or a nitrogen stabilizer. The statute is enforced by the Environmental Protection Agency.

In short, FIFRA states that **the label is the law**. When a pesticide is purchased and used in a commercial application, used privately or by a homeowner, all operators, applicators and handlers must abide by the label on the pesticide and use



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it in accordance with the label. If the label is not followed correctly, penalties may be assessed for improper use of a pesticide.

For more information

http://entomology.ca.uky.edu/uk-pesticide-safety-education-program-psepation

https://www.epa.gov/enforcement/federal-insecticide-fungicide-and-rodenticide-act-fifra-and-federal-facilities

The University of Kentucky's Nursery Crop Extension Research Team is based out of two locations across the bluegrass to better serve our producers.

The University of Kentucky Research and Education Center (UKREC) in Princeton serves western Kentucky producers while our facilities and personnel on main campus in Lexington serve central and eastern Kentucky producers.

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