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# Security

of fertiliser storage on farms

## Important Notice:

In Northern Ireland it is illegal to import and/or take possession of fertilisers which have more than 79% Ammonium Nitrate unless licenced by the Northern Ireland Office.

Users of Ammonium Nitrate based fertilisers are reminded of the NIHHS (Amendment) Regs (NI) 2003 and the responsibility to notify HSENI if 150 tonnes or more of AN or CAN based fertilisers are being handled or stored which contain over 15.75% Nitrogen by weight.

Most fertilisers in Northern Ireland are based on a form of Ammonium Nitrate called Calcium Ammonium Nitrate which is covered by this leaflet. Pure Ammonium Nitrate fertilisers are not permitted in Northern Ireland.

In addition to the safe storage and handling of fertiliser advice available from your supplier and from the Agricultural Industries Confederation (AIC) and the HSENI 'Basic Guidance on the Storage and Handling of Ammonium Nitrate Based Fertilisers' leaflet, farmers should take note of information provided in this leaflet.



- ✓ **Wherever possible use a Fertiliser Industry Assurance Scheme (FIAS) approved supplier.**
- ✓ **Wherever possible keep in a secure area such as a building or sheeted away from public view.**
- ✓ **Avoid leaving fertiliser in a field overnight – never leave fertiliser in a field for a long period of time.**
- ✓ **Carry out regular stock checks and report any loss to the Police immediately (Call 101)**
- ✓ **Remember it is illegal to sell ammonium nitrate without the correct documentation**

**This advice has been developed by the Agricultural Industries Confederation (AIC), National Farmers' Unions and the National Counter Terrorism Security Office (NaCTSO)**