



# WHEN YOU BUY COUNTERFEIT PESTICIDES, YOU LOSE MORE THAN ONCE!



**Do you buy your plant protection products from the back of a car, a market stall, or from unknown individuals?**

**Do you buy products with foreign-language labels?**

- ✓ **YOU CAN BE SUBJECT TO CRIMINAL LIABILITY**
- ✓ **YOU PUT YOUR OWN AND OTHERS' HEALTH AT RISK**
- ✓ **YOU POSE A RISK TO THE ENVIRONMENT**

**Are you looking for cheap pesticides on online auctions?**

**Do you buy pesticides from the back of a car or at a stall?**

**Have you ever used services of a person who delivered pesticides from abroad to your house?**

Do you know whether your actions are in line with existing laws? Find the answer below.



### Where not to buy pesticides?



- at a stall
- from a car
- from unknown, foreign traders
- from a friend
- from under the counter

### You breach the law when...

- you import pesticides without the licence of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development

#### Beware!

You may be subject to criminal liability and administrative consequences!



### Where and how to buy pesticides?

From retail and wholesale stores, or distributors that:

- are registered with the State Inspectorate of Plant Health and Seed Inspection (PIORiN)
- only sell plant protection products registered in Poland
- can provide a proof of purchase, i.e. a receipt or an invoice.



### Your purchase is legal...

...when you buy products registered for sale in legal distribution points supervised by the Polish Inspectorate of Plant Health and Seed Inspection (PIORiN)



### You can lose your EU subsidies

You can lose your EU subsidies. The use of non-registered, including counterfeit, plant protection products, constitutes an infringement of the cross-compliance principles.

**Loss of financial help from the EU**



### You can lose the crops

Counterfeit plant protection products can show no effect at all or destroy your crops. Many farmers have already experienced that.



**„Be smart and avoid damage. Make wise decisions.”**

### Your money is safe

You invest and develop your farm.



### Your crops will be safe

If you buy registered plant protection products and use them in accordance with the product label and the Good Agricultural Practice (GAP) guidelines, you can be sure that your crops will be safe. Your customers will be satisfied with the quality of your produce.

