



WHEN YOU BUY ILLEGAL PESTICIDES, YOU LOSE MORE THAN ONCE!



Do you buy plant protection products with foreign-language labels, that may be withdrawn from sale, from unknown individuals or sellers?

- ✗ YOU WILL FACE 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 plant protection products?

- from a foreign intermediary
- from the trunk
- from a friend
- from under the counter
- at suspicious, anonymous online auctions
- at a market stall



You are breaking the law when:

- you buy and sell illegal, or counterfeit, plant protection products
- you import plant protection products from abroad without permits from the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
- you have and use these illegal or not permitted products



Beware!
You will face criminal and financial liability.



Where and how to buy safely?

From retail and wholesale store, or from a distributor that:

- is registered with the State Inspectorate of Plant Health and Seed Inspection (PIORiN)
- only sells products registered in Poland and authorized by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
- can provide proof of purchase, i.e. a receipt or invoice



You act according to the law when...

- you use products registered in Poland, with a label in Polish, purchased from legal sales and distribution points supervised by PIORiN*



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

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.



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.

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.



Obligation to return EU subsidies.

Your money is safe

You invest and develop your farm.



Safe online shopping

Distribution of plant protection products via the Internet is legal, but it is often abused to introduce illegal goods on the market, including counterfeit products.

Attractive offers at online auction sites should make you vigilant, especially if:

- the seller remains anonymous
- offers apply to withdrawn products from abroad and at a cheaper price

