



N. B. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, & AQUACULTURE

“ON-FARM POTATO DISPOSAL GUIDELINES”

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- 1. The owner of the potatoes shall dispose of the potato culls on land owned, ADB leased, or long-term lease (10 years) with the permission of the landowner;**
- 2. No waste other than cull potatoes shall be deposited at the site;**
- 3. The site shall not exceed a land area of one acre; and the potatoes placed in the site will not exceed a layer depth of three (3) feet;**
- 4. Disposal shall not take place on a sand and gravel deposit, on a floodplain, or on any area with a slope greater than 8%;**
- 5. Disposal shall take place a minimum of 2 feet above the seasonal high water table and a minimum of four (4) feet above bedrock;**
- 6. No disposal shall take place within 300 feet of a watercourse;**
- 7. There shall be a minimum 100 feet buffer between the disposal area boundary and the property boundary unless the adjacent property is owned or leased on a long-term basis with permission of the property owner;**
- 8. No disposal shall take place within 300 feet of the nearest residence;**
- 9. No disposal shall take place within 1000 feet upgradient of the nearest well (this can be reduced to 500 feet if the disposal area involves less than 1000 cubic yards of potatoes);**
- 10. The potato waste will be covered within three days of disposal or not later than the last day for compliance designated for June 10 as specified by the Minister. Also, the site shall be properly seeded and covered with a minimum of 2 feet of soil.**

Staff are available to visit farms to advise producers on selection of a site that meets environmental guidelines.