

WQL21 Maine State Supplement 2012-1 **Integrated Pest Management for Organic Farming**

If not already done, WIN-PST should be run for all of the pesticides that will potentially be used, and mitigations planned as appropriate for Intermediate or higher risk designations.

If no University or other assistance is available, develop a crop-specific high-level Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Plan using the Vegetable IPM Tool for crops. This Tool is available on the Share Point under State Office/Technology/Planning Tools. Run this tool for each crop being grown. (Note that there is a drop-down menu for both the Plant Family and the Crop). Request assistance from Resource Conservationist Alice Begin as needed. The totals on the IPM Plan page should result in a designation of High Level IPM when all practices are imported by pushing the Import Data button on the IPM Plan page.

For non-vegetable crops, develop a custom plan for field crops or others that do not fit the IPM Vegetable IPM Plan Tool. Include practices to address PAMS (Prevention, Avoidance, Monitoring, Suppression) categories. As many practices as possible should be chosen, preferably with a minimum of one practice in each category, and a total of 8 practices. Use the 2009 Cornell Guide for Integrated Field Crop Management <http://ipmguidelines.org/FieldCrops/default.asp>, or other references as needed.