

## **Restrictions for the Harvesting of Crops and Turf, Grazing of Animals, and Public Access on Sites Where Class “B” Biosolids Are Applied**

### **Restrictions for the harvesting of crops\* and turf:**

1. Food crops, feed crops, and fiber crops, whose edible parts do not touch the surface of the soil shall not be harvested until *30 days* after biosolids application.
2. Food crops with harvested parts that touch the biosolids/soil mixture and are totally above ground shall not be harvested until *14 months* after application of biosolids.
3. Food crops with harvested parts below the land surface where biosolids remain on the land surface for 4 months or longer prior to incorporation into the soil shall not be harvested until *20 months* after biosolids application.
4. Food crops with harvested parts below the land surface where biosolids remain on the land surface for less than 4 months prior to incorporation shall not be harvested until *38 months* after biosolids application.
5. Turf grown on land where biosolids are applied shall not be harvested until *1 year* after application of the biosolids when the harvested turf is placed on either land with a high potential for public exposure or a lawn, unless otherwise specified by the permitting authority.

### **Restriction for the grazing of animals:**

1. Animals shall not be grazed on land until *30 days* after application of biosolids to the land.

### **Restrictions for public contact:**

1. Access to land with a high potential for public exposure, such as a park or ballfield, is restricted for *1 year* after biosolids application. Examples of restricted access include posting with no trespassing signs, and fencing.
2. Access to land with a low potential for public exposure (e.g., private farmland) is restricted for *30 days* after biosolids application. An example of restricted access is remoteness.



*\*Examples of crops impacted by Class “B” pathogen requirements are listed in Figure 2-5.*



**Figure 2-5**  
**Examples of Crops Impacted by Site Restrictions for Class B Biosolids**

Harvested Parts That:		
Usually Do Not Touch the Soils/Biosolids Mixture (30 Day Restriction)	Usually Touch the Soils/Biosolids Mixture (14 month restriction)	Are Grown Below the Soils/Biosolids Mixture (20-38 month restriction)
Peaches Apples Oranges Grapefruit Corn Wheat Oats Barley Cotton Soybeans	Melons Strawberries Eggplant Squash Tomatoes Cucumbers Celery Cabbage Lettuce	Potatoes Yams Sweet potatoes Rutabaga Peanuts Onions Leeks Radishes Turnips Beets

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**For More Information**

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