

THE NITRATES DIRECTIVE - SOLUTIONS

The Nitrates Directive promotes good agricultural practices in nutrient management



Apply correct amount of nutrients for each crop to avoid damaging the environment



Apply nutrients only in periods of crop growth under suitable climactic conditions



Avoid applying nutrients during period of heavy rainfall or on frozen ground, which causes loss of nutrients into the environment



Safe and secure manure storage prevents water pollution from run-off and leaching into ground and surface water



Buffer zones protect waters from run-off from the application of fertilizers