

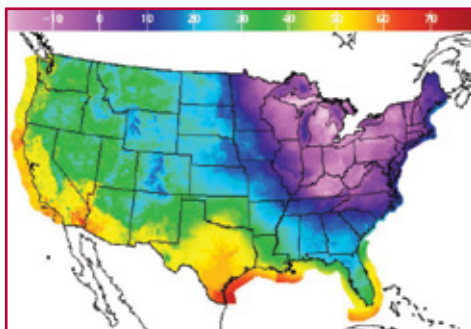


TECH TIPS

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Storing & Prepping Drums During the Winter Season

Have you experienced extreme cold temperatures this winter season while storing/prepping SPF drums? If you are in the northeast, you definitely said yes, and if you are in a milder climate like Florida, you are probably saying yes also after experiencing some record-low temperatures last week. No matter where you are in the US and Canada, even in Florida you need to consider the winter temperatures when it comes to storing and prepping your SPF drums.



Storing drums in a controlled environment is essential for maximum performance of SPF chemical. Drum storage temperatures should range from 50° – 70° F (10° – 21° C).


Storing drums below 50° F can severely increase viscosities of the Poly side and long-term storage below 40° F can degrade the chemistry of some SPF products that cannot be reversed by simply warming up the product. Long-term cold storage can have irreversible effects that essentially leave you with a drum of chemical that will not perform to specification.

On the warmer side, storing drums above 80° F can shorten the shelf life expectancy of Poly side products.

If you do not have a controlled environment for storing drums, put this on your list of things to take care of as soon as possible. You can build and insulate your own storage building and equip it with proper heating and cooling as needed.

Take care of your chemical and it will be ready when you need it.

As always, it is important to follow the directions and instructions provided with the chemicals that you are using.

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