

What to do if you don't have Phytophthora blight...

Do not dispose of culled fruit or plants near vegetable fields. A single infected squash can contain millions of short-lived and overwintering spores of *Phytophthora capsici*.



Cull pile that could be harboring *P. capsici* spores

Wash equipment before moving it from an infested field to a clean field. Overwintering spores can be carried between fields in soil clinging to tires and boots.



Tractor after washing to remove soil (and spores)

Know where your irrigation water comes from. Short-lived spores are easily carried wherever water flows – including draining off of infested fields into irrigation sources like ponds and streams.



Phytophthora blight may be spread to new fields if the source of irrigation water is infested with *P. capsici* spores.

