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*.

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.

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.