

Late Blight: A Community Disease

Ensure your garden is **not** a source of disease!

Late blight persists in potato tubers

- Destroy left over potatoes before the next season.
- Search and destroy volunteer potato plants sprouting in the garden or compost pile (bag and place in the garbage).
- Buy new potato seed from a source that can provide assurance they are disease free.
- Do not plant potatoes left-over from last year's infected crop or potatoes purchased from a grocery store.
- Buy tomato transplants from a locally grown source that can provide assurance they are disease free.
- Minimize leaf wetness by staking tomatoes, using good spacing and practicing good weed management.
- If late blight occurs in your garden, remove affected tissue and promptly report to extension in your state.

For more information visit:

<http://extension.unh.edu/Agric/Media/Late-Blight2010/Late-Blight2010.htm>

http://northeastipm.org/newsandreports/2009fall/Fall09_LateBlight.html

<http://www.hort.cornell.edu/lateblight>

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