

Criteria for posts to the Agent Orange Working Group Mailing List

1. Emails to the mailing list should fall within the topics of concern to the Agent Orange Working Group in Vietnam, which are:

- a) Scientific research
- b) Assistance to people with disabilities
- c) Resolution of war legacies
- d) Environmental toxins and remediation
- e) The impact of the Agent Orange legacy on Vietnam-US relations.

2. Constructive dialogue is encouraged. Emails should always be polite, and any critiques or reviews of previous emails should be constructive.

3. Emails about Agent Orange topics relating to other countries, and any other topics, should be directed to other mailing lists and forums. They will be rejected for the Agent Orange Working Group mailing list.

4. Emails that use sarcasm, personal attacks, defamatory comments and other negative responses will be rejected.

5. One-to-one conversations, positive or negative, should not be conducted through the mailing list. Conduct these in private emails. Such emails sent to the Agent Orange Working Group mailing list will be rejected.

6. Emails that are bigger than 500 kilobytes will be rejected. Convert large Microsoft Word or PowerPoint documents into PDF documents to reduce their size, or provide a link to the document if it is on a website. Two alternatives to this are:

- a) Send the email without the attachment, and offer to email it to the individuals who ask for a copy
- b) Submit the document for posting to the NGO Resource Centre website and then send the link to the mailing list.

Objectives of the Agent Orange Working Group Mailing List

The objectives of the Working Group's mailing list are:

- To circulates announcements from the working group and information about the activities of organisations working on Agent Orange projects in Vietnam.
- To provide a forum for the exchange of scholarly, factual information on the issues the Working Group is concerned with
- To foster collaboration and communication between participants on projects and initiatives relating to Agent Orange in Vietnam

About the Agent Orange Working Group

The Agent Orange Working Group was established by a group of international NGOs with projects aiming to resolve the legacy of Agent Orange/Dioxin and provide humanitarian assistance to war victims in Vietnam. The Working Group is concerned with Agent Orange issues in Vietnam: scientific research, assistance to people with disabilities, resolution of war legacies, environmental toxins and remediation and the impact of the Agent Orange legacy on Vietnam-US relations.

The Working Group's mailing list circulates announcements from the working group and information about the activities of organisations working on Agent Orange projects in Vietnam. It is also a forum for the exchange of scholarly, factual information on the issues the Working Group is concerned with, as outlined in Criteria 1 above.