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### ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS REQUIRED BY APVMA WHICH MANDATED THESE INSTRUCTIONS BE AFFIXED TO CONTAINERS PRODUCED FROM 1 OCTOBER 2020 (AND FOLLOWED BY USERS REGARDLESS OF DATE OF MANUFACTURE) UNTIL APVMA ISSUES UPDATED LABELS

NOTE: These instructions only apply to the product listed above. Instructions relating to other products have been removed, refer to the APVMA Gazette for the instructions for other products: <https://apvma.gov.au/node/74151>

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#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR PERSONS WHO POSSESS, HAVE CUSTODY OF OR USE THE CANCELLED OR SUSPENDED PRODUCT**

A person who possesses, has custody of or uses a product bearing a cancelled or suspended label referred to in the above Tables 1 and 2 in accordance with the instructions contained in this notice, is taken to have been issued with a permit under section 45B(3) of the Agvet Code to possess, have custody of or use the product bearing the cancelled or suspended label in accordance with those instructions. The instructions in this notice form part of the amended label instructions for a 2,4-D product bearing a cancelled or suspended label. Use of a 2,4-D product bearing a cancelled or suspended label may only take place in accordance with:

1. the instructions appearing on the cancelled or suspended label attached to the product; and
2. the general instructions in this notice; and
3. the instructions in this notice which correspond to the product's specific group.

#### **POSSESSION OR CUSTODY**

A person may possess the product bearing the cancelled or suspended label referred to in the above tables in accordance with its label instructions for 12 months from the Date of Cancellation or Date of Suspension.

#### **USE, SUPPLY OR OTHERWISE DEAL WITH**

A person may use the product bearing the cancelled or suspended label referred to in Table 1 or 2 according to its label instructions, including any conditions relating to shelf life or expiry date, and the instructions in this notice, for 12 months from the Date of Cancellation or Date of Suspension.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

Use of a 2,4-D product bearing a suspended or cancelled label may only take place in accordance with:

- the instructions appearing on the suspended or cancelled label attached to the product; and
- the instructions in this notice.

In the event of any inconsistency between the instructions appearing on the suspended or cancelled label for a product and the instructions in this notice, the instructions in this notice are to prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.

These instructions do not authorise any person to use a 2,4-D product bearing a suspended or cancelled label:

- in any situation; or
- at any time; or
- in any state or territory;

if the person would not be authorised to use the product in that situation, at that time, or in that state or territory under the instructions appearing on the suspended or cancelled label attached to the container for the product.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUPPLY**

A person may supply, or cause to be supplied, at wholesale or retail level the product bearing a cancelled or suspended label referred to in Tables 1 and 2, for 12 months from the Date of Cancellation or Date of Suspension.

The supply of the product bearing a cancelled or suspended label may only take place in accordance with the following conditions (new supply instructions):

1. For products manufactured prior to 1 October 2020: at the time of supply, the supplier must provide to the person taking possession or custody of the product bearing a suspended or cancelled label a copy of these instructions.  
Or  
For products manufactured on or after 1 October 2020: either a copy of these instructions or the current approved label must be securely affixed to each container of the product.

#### **WARNING—CONTRAVENTIONS**

After the day that is 12 months from the Date of Cancellation or Date of Suspension it will be an offence against the Agvet Code to have possession or custody of the products bearing the cancelled or suspended labels with the intention to supply, or to supply the cancelled or suspended products bearing the cancelled or suspended labels. It is an offence to possess, have custody of, use, or otherwise deal with the products bearing the cancelled or suspended labels listed in Tables 1 and 2 in a manner that contravenes the above instructions.

#### **CONSEQUENCES OF FAILING TO COMPLY WITH INSTRUCTIONS**



Failing to comply with the instructions in this notice or the instructions detailed in the Gazette amounts to an offence under section 45C(5) of the Agvet Code and may result in civil penalty proceedings under section 45C(7) of the Agvet Code.

If you have any questions, please contact Chemical Review by phone (02 6770 2400) or email ([chemicalreview@apvma.gov.au](mailto:chemicalreview@apvma.gov.au)). A summary of the decision is also available on the [APVMA website](#).

#### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

#### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL 2,4-D PRODUCTS BEARING A SUSPENDED OR CANCELLED LABEL**

This is a phenoxy herbicide that can cause severe damage to native vegetation and susceptible crops such as cotton, grapes, tomatoes, oilseed crops and ornamentals.

#### **Restraints**

**DO NOT** apply in a manner that may cause an unacceptable impact to native vegetation, agricultural crops, landscaped gardens and aquaculture production, or cause contamination of plant or livestock commodities, outside the application site from spray drift. The buffer zones in the relevant buffer zone tables below provide guidance but may not be sufficient in all situations. Wherever possible, correctly use application equipment designed to reduce spray drift and apply when the wind direction is away from these sensitive areas.

**DO NOT** allow bystanders to come into contact with the spray cloud.

**DO NOT** apply unless the wind speed is between 3 and 15 kilometres per hour at the application site during the time of application.

**DO NOT** apply if there are surface temperature inversion conditions present at the application site during the time of application. These conditions exist most evenings one to two hours before sunset and persist until one to two hours after sunrise.

#### **Recognising a surface temperature inversion<sup>[3]</sup>**

A surface temperature inversion is likely to be present if:

- mist, fog, dew or a frost have occurred
- smoke or dust hangs in the air and moves sideways, just above the ground surface
- cumulus clouds that have built up during the day collapse towards evening
- wind speed is constantly less than 11 km/hr in the evening and overnight
- cool off-slope breezes develop during the evening and overnight
- distant sounds become clearer and easier to hear
- aromas become more distinct during the evening than during the day.

#### **Spray timing**

- Spray during the day wherever possible. Vertical mixing of the air makes surface temperature inversions unlikely and will reduce the risk of drift caused by surface temperature inversions.
- There is a very low risk of surface temperature inversion when there is continuous overcast weather, with low and heavy cloud and/or wind speed remains above 11km/h for the whole period between sunset and sunrise.
- A lack of suitable weather conditions for spraying over extended periods is not an excuse for spraying in unsuitable conditions.

**DO NOT** apply if crop or weeds are stressed due to dry or excessively moist conditions.

**DO NOT** apply with spray droplets smaller than VERY COARSE spray droplets according to the ASAE S572.1 definition for standard nozzles.

**DO NOT** use if rain is likely within 6 hours.

#### **Monitoring and record keeping**

Users of this product **MUST** make an accurate written record of the details of each spray application within 24 hours following application and KEEP this record for a minimum of 2 years. The spray application details that must be recorded are: 1- date of use with start and finish times of application; 2- the specific location which must include address and paddock/s sprayed; 3- Product trade name (full name) of the product being used; 4- rate of application which must include the amount of product used per hectare and number of hectares applied to; 5- situation, crop or commodity to which the chemical was applied; 6- wind speed and direction during application; 7- air temperature and relative humidity during application; 8- nozzle brand, model, size, type, and spray system pressure measured during application; 9- height of spray boom from ground; 10- name and contact details of person applying this product (Additional record keeping and/or details may be required by the state or territory where this product is used).

**Watch for changes in weather conditions. Stop spraying immediately if a surface temperature inversion occurs or if spraying conditions become unsuitable for any other reason.**

#### **Advisory for boom sprayer use in cereals, fallow and pasture 1 October to 15 April**

Use in cereals, fallow and pastures during the period 3 October to 15 April, it is advised to:-

Use nozzles that produce **extremely coarse (xc) to ultra coarse (uc) droplets**.

Use higher water rates per ha, to give better efficacy.

Use slower application speeds to allow operators to lower boom heights.

Increasing droplet size and water rates while reducing application speed will assist in mitigating off target inversion drift during summer spraying. Extremely coarse droplets will produce <3% driftable droplets.

<sup>[3]</sup> Information from GRDC Fact Sheet: 'Surface Temperature Inversions and Spraying', Jul 2014.



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**BOOM SPRAYERS (GROUND APPLICATION)**

**DO NOT** apply by a boom sprayer unless the following requirements are met:

- spray droplets not smaller than a VERY COARSE (VC) spray droplet size category (minimum XC between 3 October and 15 April – advisory).
- boom heights 0.5 metres or lower above the target canopy (the higher of either the crop canopy or the targeted weeds)
- minimum distances between the application site and downwind sensitive aquatic and wetland areas including aquacultural ponds, surface streams and rivers (see Aquatic 'Downwind mandatory no-spray zone' section of the following table titled 'Buffer zones for boom sprayers') are observed.
- minimum distances between the application site and downwind sensitive crops, gardens, landscaping vegetation, protected native vegetation or protected animal habitat (see Terrestrial 'Downwind mandatory no-spray zone' section of the following table titled 'Buffer zones for boom sprayers') are observed. The buffer zones provide guidance but may not always be completely protective of all agricultural crops.

**BUFFER ZONES FOR BOOM SPRAYERS:**

**DO NOT** apply within 2km of potentially sensitive or susceptible aquatic areas, townsites or non-target vegetation. The latter includes commercial seedling and plant nurseries, horticultural crops, grapevines, tomato crops, intensive agricultural operations and wildflower processing crops, national parks, nature reserves, areas and aquaculture operations.

**DIRECTIONS FOR USE FOR AERIAL APPLICATION**

**DO NOT** apply by air.