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WARNING

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## **PRECAUTIONS**

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- 2. Harmful if swallowed or absorbed through skin.
- 3. Harmful if inhaled. Avoid breathing sprays. Causes skin irritation. DO NOT get on skin.
- 4. Wear coveralls over a long-sleeved shirt, long pants, chemical-resistant gloves, socks and shoes during mixing, loading, application, clean-up and repair. Gloves are not required during application within a closed cab.
- 5. Wash hands before eating, drinking, smoking or using the toilet. Change out of work clothes and take a bath or shower after handling or spraying the product. Launder protective clothing before re-use.
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### **FIRST AID**

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### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**VENTIGRA® INSECTICIDE**, a dispersible concentrate (DC), is a selective contact insecticide for control of a variety of aphid and whitefly pests. The active ingredient in **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** is afidopyropen, a member of the pyropene class of chemistry. **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** causes immediate cessation of feeding.

When used as directed, **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** provides control of aphid and whitefly pests on greenhouse and outdoor ornamentals (except conifers).

### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

Shake container well before use.

Apply recommended rates of **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** as instructed. For **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** to be most effective, apply at the first sign of insects and before the build-up of heavy pressure. Application must be timed to coincide with locally recommended treatment threshold levels.

**VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** is not systemic. Thorough and uniform coverage of all plant parts is required for effective control. Foliar applications may be made using properly calibrated ground application equipment. Use of higher water volumes is recommended for thorough and uniform coverage. Applying **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** at spray volumes lower than directed can make it harder to obtain thorough coverage and may result in slower activity and/or inadequate control.

As this product is not registered for the control of pests in aquatic systems, **DO NOT** use to control aquatic pests.

**DO NOT** contaminate irrigation or drinking water supplies or aquatic habitats by cleaning of equipment or disposal of wastes.

**DO NOT** allow releases, effluent or runoff from greenhouses containing this product to enter lakes, streams, ponds or other waters.

### **Plant Tolerance**

This product has been tested on a number of plant varieties with no phytotoxicity observed at labeled rates; however, **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** has not been tested on all varieties and cultivars. Due to the large number of plant species and their associated varieties or cultivars, and due to variable growing conditions, it is impossible to test every plant for tolerance to this product. It is recommended to test a small group of representative plants for tolerance to **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** under local growing conditions and prior to large-scale use.

## **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE Application Instructions**

| Ornamentals (except conifers) Greenhouse and Outdoor Use Application Rate Table (Ground Application Only) |  |  |                                |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Crop(s)   | Pest(s)  | Amount of Product per Application (L/ha) | Pre-Harvest<br>Interval (days) |  |  |  |  |
| Ornamentals* (except conifers)  | Rose aphid (Macrosiphum rosae)  Green peach aphid (Myzus persicae)  Melon aphid (Aphis gossypii) | 0.1                                      | N/A                            |  |  |  |  |
|   | Silver leaf whitefly (Bemisia argentifolii),  Sweet potato whitefly (Bemisia tabaci)             | 0.35 - 0.5                               |                                |  |  |  |  |

- Allow a minimum of 7 days between applications. Monitor pest population and reapply if necessary once thresholds are reached.
- A minimum spray volume of 1000 L/ha is recommended. Use adequate water volume to ensure thorough coverage.
- Please see plant tolerance for more specific variety information.
- Resistance management: DO NOT make more than 2 sequential applications of VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE before using an insecticide with a different mode of action.
- For outdoor ornamental plants: **DO NOT** apply more than 4 applications per year. **DO NOT** exceed 1.25 L/ha per year.
- For greenhouse ornamental plants (excluding cut flowers) with crop cycles shorter than 1 year (e.g., annual bedding plants): DO NOT apply more than 4 applications per crop cycle. DO NOT exceed 1.25 L/ha per crop cycle. DO NOT exceed 4 L/ha per year.
- For greenhouse ornamental plants (cut flowers only) with crop cycles shorter than 1 year:
  - For applications at 0.1 L/ha only: DO NOT apply more than 4 applications per crop cycle. DO NOT exceed 4 L/ha per year.
  - For applications that include rates of 0.35 or 0.5 L/ha: **DO NOT** apply more than 1 application per year at 0.5 L/ha or **DO NOT** apply more than 2 applications per year at 0.35 L/ha. **DO NOT** exceed 0.7 L/ha per **year**.
- **For outdoor use:** Application during the crop blooming period may be made only in the evening when most bees are not foraging.
- For greenhouse use: May cause short term effects to bees, including those used in greenhouse production. Do not apply when bees or other beneficial insects are actively visiting the treatment area.
- DO NOT apply by air.

Not for use in residential areas. Residential areas are defined as any use site
where bystanders including children could be exposed during or after
application. This includes homes, schools, parks, playgrounds, playing fields,
public buildings, or any other area where the general public including children
could be exposed.

# \*Ornamentals including:

Rose, Hibiscus, Impatiens, Poinsettia (not including bract formation)

## **Restrictions and Limitations**

| Crop   | Minimum<br>Time from<br>Application to<br>Harvest (PHI)<br>(days) | Maximum<br>Product Rate/ha<br>per Application<br>(Litres) | Maximum Product<br>Rate/ha per Year<br>(Litres)   |
|--|---|---|---|
| Greenhouse and Outdoor Ornamentals (except conifers) | N/A   | 0.5   | Outdoor: 1.25 L/ha<br>per year  |
| [Refer to Ornamentals 'Application Rate Table']      |   |   | Greenhouse: 1.25 L/ha per crop cycle to a maximum of 4 L/ha per year (excluding cut flowers unless the only application rate is 0.1 L/ha) |
|  |   |   | Greenhouse: 0.7 L/ha<br>per year (for cut<br>flowers only, and only<br>if application rates<br>include rates greater<br>than 0.1 L/ha)    |

# **Ground application**

Apply **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** at rates listed in the application rate table when insect thresholds are reached. Use a minimum water volume of 1000 L/ha. Ensure thorough coverage of foliage. Consult nozzle manufacturers' recommendation for spray pressures for specific nozzles.

### **Product Specific Precautions**

Read and understand the entire label before opening this product. If you have questions, call the manufacturer at 1-877-371-BASF (2273) or obtain technical advice from the distributor or your provincial agricultural representative.

# **Tank Mixing**

This product may be tank mixed with a fertilizer, a supplement or with registered pest control products, whose labels also allow tank mixing, provided the entirety of both labels, including Directions For Use, Precautions, Restrictions, Environmental Precautions, and Spray Buffer Zones are followed for each product. In cases where these requirements differ between the tank mix partner labels, the most restrictive label must be followed. Do not tank mix products containing the same active ingredient unless specifically listed on this label.

In some cases, tank mixing pest control products can result in reduced pesticide efficacy or increased host crop injury. The user should contact BASF Canada Inc. at 1-877-371-2273 for information before mixing any pesticide that is not specifically recommended on this label.

Not all varieties and cultivars have been tested with possible tank mix combinations. Local conditions can also influence crop tolerance and may not match those under which BASF has conducted testing. Physical incompatibility, reduced efficacy, or crop injury may result from mixing **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** with other products. Therefore, before using any tank mix (fungicides, insecticides, herbicides, liquid fertilizers, biological control products, adjuvants, and additives), test the combination on a small portion of the crop to be treated to ensure that a phytotoxic response will not occur as a result of application. Consult a BASF representative for more information concerning additives.

# Tank Mix Compatibility Determination

To determine compatibility, mix all components of the finished spray in proportionate quantities in a small jar. Add components to the test jar in the following order: wettable powders and water dispersible granules, liquid flowables and suspensions, emulsifiable concentrate formulations, and solutions. If the mixture does not ball-up or form flakes, sludge, jelly, oily films or layers, or other precipitates within 2 hours after mixing and can easily be resuspended with agitation, then the tested spray-mix is compatible. Always follow the most restrictive label regarding any precautions when tank mixing.

## **Vegetative Filter Strips**

A Vegetative Filter Strip (VFS) of at least 10 metres wide must be constructed and maintained. The VFS is required between the field edge and adjacent, downhill aquatic habitats to reduce risk to aquatic organisms from run-off. Aquatic habitats include, but are not limited to, lakes, reservoirs, rivers, permanent streams, marshes or natural ponds, estuaries, and commercial fish farm ponds.

The VFS is to be composed of grasses and may also include shrubs, trees, or other vegetation. The VFS must be maintained. Additional guidance can be found on the PMRA Environmental Risk Mitigation webpages.

Both VFS and spray drift buffer zones must be observed.

## **Spray Drift Buffer Zones**

Spray drift buffer zones are to protect terrestrial and aquatic habitats from spray drift. Spray drift buffer zones are a separate requirement from VFS which are required to mitigate risks from run-off

<u>Field sprayer application</u>: DO NOT apply during periods of dead calm. Avoid application of this product when winds are gusty. DO NOT apply with spray droplets smaller than the American

Society of Agricultural Engineers (ASAE S572.1) medium classification. Boom height must be 60 cm or less above the crop or ground.

# **Spray Drift Buffer Zones**

A spray buffer zone is NOT required for:

• uses with hand-held application equipment permitted on this label.

The spray buffer zones specified in the table below are required between the point of direct application and the closest downwind edge of sensitive freshwater habitats (such as lakes, rivers, sloughs, ponds, prairie potholes, creeks, marshes, streams, reservoirs and wetlands) and estuarine/marine habitats.

| Method of application | Сгор                          | Spray Buffer Zones (metres) Required for the Protection of: |                     |                                     |                     |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|---|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
|                       |                               | Freshwater Habitat of<br>Depths:                            |                     | Estuarine/Marine Habitat of Depths: |                     |
|                       |                               | Less than<br>1 m  | Greater<br>than 1 m | Less than<br>1 m                    | Greater<br>than 1 m |
| Field sprayer         | Ornamentals (except conifers) | 3   | 2                   | 40                                  | 20                  |

When tank mixes are permitted, consult the labels of the tank-mix partners and observe the largest (most restrictive) spray buffer zone of the products involved in the tank mixture and apply using the coarsest spray (ASAE) category indicated on the labels for those tank mix partners.

The spray drift buffer zones for this product can be modified based on weather conditions and spray equipment configuration by accessing the Spray Buffer Zone Calculator on the Pesticides portion of the Canada.ca website. This tool cannot be used to reduce the vegetative filter strips.

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### RESISTANCE-MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

For resistance management, **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** contains a Group 9D insecticide. Any insect population may contain individuals naturally resistant to **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** and other Group 9 insecticides. The resistant individuals may dominate the insect population if this group of insecticides is used repeatedly in the same fields. Other resistance mechanisms that are not linked to site of action but are specific for individual chemicals, such as enhanced metabolism, may also exist. Appropriate resistance-management strategies should be followed.

To delay insecticide resistance:

- Where possible, rotate the use of **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** or other Group 9 insecticides with different groups that control the same pests.
- **DO NOT** exceed the total number of applications of **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** per year as stated in the crop specific restrictions and limitations.
- Use tank mixtures with insecticides from a different group that is effective on the target pest when such use is permitted.
- Insecticide use should be based on an IPM program that includes scouting and record keeping, and considers pest thresholds, as well as cultural, biological and other chemical control practices.
- Monitor treated pest populations for resistance development.
- Contact your local extension specialist or certified crop advisors for any additional pesticide resistance management and/or IPM recommendations for the specific site and pest problems in your area.
- For further information or to report suspected resistance contact BASF at 1-877-371-2273 or at www.agsolutions.ca.

### **MIXING**

- 1. Ensure the spray tank is clean before use. Follow the clean-out recommendations stated on the label of the product that was previously used.
- 2. Fill the tank one-half full of water and start agitation.
- 3. Add the required amount of **VENTIGRA INSECTICIDE** to the tank.

- 4. Add the required amount of tank mix partner to the tank if required.
- 5. Continue agitation while filling the remainder of the spray tank.
- 6. After use, clean the spray tank according to PRECAUTIONS.

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A 30-day plant back interval is required for crops not listed on the label.

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