

## Section 24(c) Special Local Need Label

## FOR DISTRIBUTION AND USE ONLY WITHIN THE STATE OF OREGON

## **Actara®**

For Control of Green Peach Aphid in Sugar Beets Grown for Seed

EPA Reg. No. 100-938 EPA SLN No. OR-070020

This label for Actara is valid until December 31, 2025 or until otherwise amended, withdrawn, cancelled or suspended.

#### Active Ingredient:

Thiamethoxam <sup>1</sup>	25.0%
Other Ingredients:	75.0%
Total:	100.0%

<sup>1</sup>CAS No. 153719-23-4

# KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN CAUTION

## **Environmental Hazards**

This pesticide is toxic to wildlife and highly toxic to aquatic invertebrates.

This pesticide is highly toxic to bees exposed to direct treatment on blooming crops/plants or weeds. Do not apply this product or allow it to drift to blooming crops/plants or weeds while bees are foraging in/or adjacent to the treatment area.

Do not apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Drift or runoff from treated areas may be hazardous to aquatic organisms in neighboring areas. Do not contaminate water when cleaning equipment or disposing of equipment wash waters.

## **Surface Water Advisory**

This product may impact surface water quality due to spray drift and runoff of rain water. This is especially true for poorly draining soils and soils with shallow ground water. This product is classified as having high potential for reaching surface water via runoff for several months after application. A level, well-maintained vegetative buffer strip between areas to which this product is applied and surface water features such as ponds, streams, and springs will reduce the potential loading of thiamethoxam water from runoff water and sediment. Runoff of this product will be reduced by avoiding applications when rainfall is forecast to occur within 48 hours. (See manual at the following Internet address: http://www.wsi.nrcs.usda.gov/products/W2Q/pest/core4.html).

## **Ground Water Advisory**

Thiamethoxam has properties and characteristics associated with chemicals detected in ground water.

This chemical may leach into the ground water if used in areas where soils are permeable, particularly where the water table is shallow.

## **Spray Drift Advisory**

Do not allow this product to drift.

### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

- It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.
- This FIFRA Section 24(c) label and the EPA-registered Actara label must be in the possession of the user at the time of application.
- Follow all applicable directions, restrictions, Worker Protection Standard requirements, and precautions on the EPA-registered label.

## PROTECTION OF POLLINATORS

APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS EXIST FOR THIS PRODUCT BECAUSE OF RISK TO BEES AND OTHER INSECT POLLINATORS. FOLLOW APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS FOUND IN THE DIRECTIONS FOR USE TO PROTECT POLLINATORS.

Look for the bee hazard icon in the Directions for Use for each application site for specific use restrictions and instructions to protect bees and other insect pollinators.

## This product can kill bees and other insect pollinators.

Bees and other insect pollinators will forage on plants when they flower, shed pollen, or produce nectar. Bees and other insect pollinators can be exposed to this pesticide from:

- Direct contact during foliar applications, or contact with residues on plant surfaces after foliar applications
- o Ingestion of residues in nectar and pollen when the pesticide is applied as a seed treatment, soil, tree injection, as well as foliar applications.

When Using This Product Take Steps To:

- o Minimize exposure of this product to bees and other insect pollinators when they are foraging on pollinator attractive plants around the application site.
- o Minimize drift of this product on to beehives or to off-site pollinator attractive habitat. Drift of this product onto beehives or off-site to pollinator attractive habitat can result in bee kills.

Information on protecting bees and other insect pollinators may be found at the Pesticide Environmental Stewardship website at: http://pesticidestewardship.org/PollinatorProtection/Pages/default.aspx.

Pesticide incidents (for example, bee kills) should immediately be reported to the state/tribal lead agency. For contact information for your state, go to: www.aapco.org/officials.html. Pesticide incidents should also be reported to the National Pesticide Information Center at: <a href="www.npic.orst.edu">www.npic.orst.edu</a> or directly to EPA at: <a href="www.npic.orst.edu">beekill@epa.gov</a>



## FOR CROPS UNDER CONTRACTED POLLINATION SERVICES

Do not apply this product while bees are foraging. Do not apply this product until flowering is complete and all petals have fallen unless the following condition has been met:

If an application must be made when managed bees are at the treatment site, the beekeeper providing the pollination services must be notified no less than 48-hours prior to the time of the planned application so that the bees can be removed, covered or otherwise protected prior to spraying.



FOR FOOD/FEED CROPS AND COMMERCIALLY GROWN ORNAMENTALS NOT UNDER CONTRACT FOR POLLINATION SERVICES BUT ARE ATTRACTIVE TO POLLINATORS

Do not apply this product while bees are foraging. Do not apply this product until flowering is complete and all petals have fallen unless one of the following conditions is met:

- The application is made to the target site after sunset
- The application is made to the target site when temperatures are below 55°F
- The application is made in accordance with a government-initiated public health response
- The application is made in accordance with an active stateadministered apiary registry program where beekeepers are notified no less than 48-hours prior to the time of the planned application so that the bees can be removed, covered or otherwise protected prior to spraying
- The application is made due to an imminent threat of significant crop loss, and a documented determination consistent with an IPM plan or predetermined economic threshold is met. Every effort should be made to notify beekeepers no less than 48-hours prior to the time of the planned application so that the bees can be removed, covered or otherwise protected prior to spraying.

#### SUGAR BEETS GROWN FOR SEED

## **Application Directions**

Apply 3.0 - 4.0 oz/A for control of Green Peach Aphid (*Myzus persicae*). Control may require the use of an additional application at a 7 to 10 day interval. Use sufficient water volume to ensure thorough coverage of foliage. Do not use less than 10 GPA for ground applications or 3 GPA for aerial applications.

## **Application Timing**

Apply before pests reach damaging levels. Apply as required by scouting, usually at intervals of 7-10 days. Scout fields and treat again if populations rebuild to potentially damaging levels. Timing and frequency of applications should be based upon insect populations reaching locally determined economic thresholds. Apply higher rates for heavy infestations.

## **Use Restrictions**

- Minimum interval between applications: Allow at least 7 days between applications.
- Do not exceed a total of 8.0 oz of Actara per acre per growing season.
- Chemigation: Do not apply this product through any type of irrigation system.

#### **Rotational Restrictions**

**DO NOT** rotate to food or feed crops other than those listed on the main federally approved label.

## **Resistance Management**

Some insect pests are known to develop resistance to products after repeated use. Because resistance development cannot be predicted, the use of this product should conform to sound resistance management strategies established for the crop and use area. Syngenta encourages responsible product stewardship to ensure effective long-term control of the insects on this label.

Actara contains a Group 4A insecticide (thiamethoxam, belonging to the neonicotinoid class of chemistry). Insect biotypes with acquired or inherent resistance to Group 4A insecticides may eventually dominate the insect population if Group 4A insecticides are used repeatedly as the predominant method of control for targeted species. This may result in partial or total loss of control of those species by Actara or other Group 4A insecticides.

If resistance to this product develops in your area, this product, or other products with a similar mode of action, may not provide adequate control. If poor performance cannot be attributed to improper application or extreme weather conditions, a resistant strain of insect may be present. If you experience difficulty with control and resistance is a reasonable cause, immediately consult your local company representative or agricultural advisor for the best alternative method of control for your area.

In order to maintain susceptibility to this class of chemistry:

- Avoid using Group 4A insecticide exclusively for season long control of insect species with more than one generation per crop season.
- For insect species with successive or overlapping generations, apply Actara or other Group 4A insecticides using a "treatment window" approach. A treatment window is a period of time as defined by the stage of crop development and/or the biology of the pests of concern. Within the treatment window, depending on the length of residual activity, there may either be single or consecutive applications (seed treatment, soil, foliar, unless otherwise stated) of the Group 4A insecticides. Do not exceed the maximum Actara allowed per growing season.
- Following a treatment window of Group 4A insecticides, rotate to a treatment window of effective products with a different mode of action before making additional applications of Group 4A insecticide.
- A treatment window rotation, along with other IPM practices for the crop and use area, is considered
  an effective strategy for preventing or delaying a pest's ability to develop resistance to these classes
  of chemistry.
- If resistance is suspected, do not reapply Actara or other Group 4A insecticides.

Other Insect Resistance Management (IRM) practices include:

- Incorporating IPM techniques into your insect control program.
- Monitoring treated insect populations for loss of field efficacy.
- Using tank-mixtures or premixes with insecticides from a different target site of action Group as long as the involved products are all registered for the same crop outlet and effective rates are applied.

For additional information on Insect Resistance Management:

- Contact your local extension specialist, certified crop advisor and/or product manufacturer for additional insect resistance management recommendations.
- Visit the Insecticide Resistance Action Committee (IRAC) on the web at http://www.irac-online.org/.



## **POLLINATOR PRECAUTIONS**

• Actara is highly toxic to bees exposed to direct treatment on blooming crops/plants or weeds.

- Do not apply Actara or allow it to drift to blooming crops/plants or weeds if bees are foraging in or adjacent to the treatment area. This is especially critical if there are adjacent orchards that are blooming. (Refer to Spray Drift Precautions for additional information).
- After an Actara application, wait at least 5 days before placing beehives in the treated field.
- If bees are foraging in the ground cover and it contains any blooming plants or weeds, always remove flowers before making an application. This may be accomplished by mowing, disking, mulching, flailing, or applying a labeled herbicide.
- Consult with your local cooperative extension service or state agency responsible for regulating pesticide use for additional pollinator safety practices.

## **Special Crop Use Restrictions**

The pesticide applicator, the producer of the crop, and the seed conditioner must be aware that use of this product according to this labeling is deemed a non-feed/non-food use by the Oregon Department of Agriculture, and is regulated by the Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 603-057-0535, Pesticide Use On Crops Grown For Seed. If the applicator of this pesticide is not the producer, the applicator must provide a copy of this labeling to the producer of the crop. Producers of this crop who use this product, or cause the product to be used on a field they operate, must provide a copy of this pesticide label to the seed conditioner.

This pesticide does not have an established pesticide residue tolerance for this crop. Consequently, no portion of this seed crop may be used or distributed for food or feed for 1 year (365 days) after the last application of this product. This restriction pertains to, but is not limited to: green chop, forage, hay, pellets, meal, whole seed, cracked seed, straw, roots, bulbs, foliage or seed screenings, and to the grazing of the crop field, stubble or regrowth. All seed screenings shall be disposed of in such a manner that the screenings cannot be distributed or used for food or feed purposes, as indicated in OAR 603-057-0535. Additional regulations concerning seed screenings are stated in OAR 603-057-0535.

Any seed from a field treated with this pesticide product shall bear specific and conspicuous container labeling, or if shipped in bulk, on the shipment invoice or bill of lading. The labeling shall contain the following statement:

"This seed was produced using one or more products for which the United States Environmental Protection Agency has not established pesticide residue tolerances. This seed, in whole, as sprouts, or in any form, may not be used for human consumption or animal feed. Failure to comply with this condition may violate requirements of the Federal Food and Drug Administration, the Oregon Department of Agriculture and other regulatory agencies."

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