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Subject: Label Amendment - Registration Review Mitigation for Imazethapyr (Nine Acetolactate Synthase Inhibiting Herbicides)
Product Name: NEWPATH HERBICIDE
EPA Registration Number: 241-412
Case Number: 482044
Application Dates: June 3, 2021

Dear Christine Keating:

The Agency, in accordance with the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), as amended, has completed reviewing all the information submitted with your application to support the Registration Review of the above referenced product in connection with the Imazethapyr (Nine Acetolactate Synthase Inhibiting Herbicides Interim Decision, and has concluded that your submission is acceptable. The label referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under FIFRA, as amended, is acceptable.

Should you wish to add/retain a reference to the company's website on your label, then please be aware that the website becomes labeling under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and is subject to review by the Agency. If the website is false or misleading, the product would be misbranded and unlawful to sell or distribute under FIFRA section 12(a)(1)(E). 40 CFR 156.10(a)(5) list examples of statements EPA may consider false or misleading. In addition, regardless of whether a website is referenced on your product's label, claims made on the website may not substantially differ from those claims approved through the registration process. Therefore, should the Agency find or if it is brought to our attention that a website contains false or misleading statements or claims substantially differing from the EPA approved registration, the website will be referred to the EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance.

A stamped copy of your labeling is enclosed for your records. This labeling supersedes all previously accepted labeling and must be used at your next label printing. You must

submit one copy of the final printed labeling before you release the product for shipment with the new labeling. In accordance with 40 CFR 152.130(c), you may distribute or sell this product under the previously approved labeling for 12 months from the date of this letter. After 12 months, you may only distribute or sell this product if it bears this new revised labeling or subsequently approved labeling. "To distribute or sell" is defined under FIFRA section 2(gg) and its implementing regulation at 40 CFR 152.3.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Caleb Carr by phone at 202-566-0636, or via email at carr.caleb@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Office of Pesticide Programs

ENCLOSURE: Stamped label

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Imazethapyr	Group	2	Herbicide

ACCEPTED
11/05/2025
Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act as amended, for the pesticide registered under EPA Reg. No. 241-412

Newpath®

Herbicide for **Clearfield®** Rice

FOR USE ONLY ON CLEARFIELD® RICE VARIETIES AND HYBRIDS (NOT LESS THAN 75% HYBRID SEED)

Active Ingredient:	
ammonium salt of imazethapyr: (±)-2-[4,5-dihydro-4-methyl-4-(1-methylethyl)-5-oxo-1*H*-imidazol-2-yl]-5-ethyl-3-pyridinecarboxylic acid*	22.87%
Other Ingredients:	77.13%
Total:	100.00%

*Equivalent to 21.6% (±)-2-[4,5-dihydro-4-methyl-4-(1-methylethyl)-5-oxo-1*H*-imidazol-2-yl]-5-ethyl-3-pyridinecarboxylic acid

1 gallon contains 2.0 pounds of active ingredient as the free acid.

EPA Reg. No. 241-412 **EPA Est. No.**

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

CAUTION/PRECAUCION

Si usted no entiende la etiqueta, busque a alguien para que se la explique a usted en detalle. (If you do not understand this label, find someone to explain it to you in detail.)

See inside for complete **First Aid**, **Precautionary Statements**, **Directions For Use**, **Conditions of Sale and Warranty**, and state-specific crop and/or use site restrictions.

In case of an emergency endangering life or property involving this product, call day or night 1-800-832-HELP (4357).

Net Contents:

BASF Corporation
26 Davis Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

FIRST AID	
If on skin or clothing	• Take off contaminated clothing. • Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15 to 20 minutes. • Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.
If in eyes	• Hold eyes open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15 to 20 minutes. • Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes; then continue rinsing eyes. • Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.
If inhaled	• Move person to fresh air. • If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably by mouth to mouth, if possible. • Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.
HOTLINE NUMBER	
Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor or going for treatment. You may also contact BASF Corporation for emergency medical treatment information: 1-800-832-HELP (4357).	

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

CAUTION

Harmful if inhaled or absorbed through skin. Avoid breathing spray mist. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
Some materials that are chemically resistant to this product are listed below.

Applicators and other handlers must wear:
- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Waterproof gloves
- Shoes plus socks

Follow the manufacturer's instructions for cleaning and maintaining PPE. If no such instructions for washables exist, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

User Safety Recommendations
Users should: • Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet. • Remove clothing/PPE immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.

Environmental Hazards

DO NOT apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. **DO NOT** contaminate water when disposing of equipment washwaters.

Non-Target Organism Advisory
This product is toxic to plants and may adversely impact the forage and habitat of non-target organisms, including pollinators, in areas adjacent to the treated site. Protect the forage and habitat of non-target organisms by following label directions intended to minimize spray drift.

Groundwater Advisory
This chemical has properties and characteristics associated with chemicals detected in groundwater. This chemical may leach into groundwater if used in areas where soils are permeable, particularly where the water table is shallow.

Surface Water Advisory
This product may impact surface water quality due to runoff of rainwater. 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 or more 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 imazethapyr from runoff water and sediment. Runoff of this product will be reduced by avoiding applications when rainfall or irrigation is expected to occur within 48 hours

This product may not be mixed or loaded within 50 feet of any wells (including abandoned wells and drainage wells), sinkholes, perennial or intermittent streams and rivers, and natural or impounded lakes or reservoirs. This setback does not apply to properly capped or plugged abandoned wells and does not apply to impervious pad or properly diked mixing/loading areas.

Operations that involve mixing, loading, rinsing, or washing of this product into or from pesticide handling or application equipment or containers within 50 feet of any well are prohibited unless conducted on an impervious pad constructed to withstand the weight of the heaviest load that may be positioned on or moved across the pad. Such a pad shall be designed and maintained to contain any product spills or equipment leaks, container or equipment rinse or washwater, and rainwater that may fall on the pad. Surface water shall not be allowed to either flow over or from the pad, which means the pad must be self-contained. The pad shall be sloped to facilitate material removal.

An unroofed pad shall be of sufficient capacity to contain, at a minimum, 110% of the capacity of the largest pesticide container or application equipment on the pad. A pad

that is covered by a roof of sufficient size to completely exclude precipitation from contact with the pad shall have a minimum containment capacity of 100% of the capacity of the largest pesticide container or application equipment on the pad.

Containment capacities as described above shall be maintained at all times. The above specific minimum containment capacities **DO NOT** apply to vehicles when delivering pesticide shipments to the mixing/loading site. States may have in effect additional requirements regarding wellhead setbacks and operational containment.

DO NOT apply this product through any type of irrigation system.

Product must be used in a manner which will prevent back-siphoning in wells, spills or improper disposal of excess pesticide/spray mixture.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

DO NOT apply this product in a way that will contact workers or other persons, either directly or through drift. Only protected handlers may be in the area during application. For any requirements specific to your state or tribe, consult the agency responsible for pesticide regulation.

Observe all cautions and limitations on this label and on the labels of products used in combination with **Newpath® herbicide for CLEARFIELD® rice**. **DO NOT** use **Newpath** other than in accordance with the instructions set forth on this label. The use of **Newpath** not consistent with this label may result in injury to crops. Keep containers closed to avoid spills and contamination.

Use Restrictions

DO NOT use water from **Newpath**-treated field to irrigate food or feed crops that are not registered for use with **Newpath** or imazethapyr herbicides.

DO NOT use flood water as a water source for livestock.

DO NOT apply more than 0.188 lb ae imazethapyr (12 fl ozs **Newpath**) per acre in a use season to **CLEARFIELD** varieties or **CLEARFIELD** hybrids (not less than 75% hybrid seed).

DO NOT apply more than 0.094 lb ae imazethapyr (6 fl ozs **Newpath**) per acre in a single application to **CLEARFIELD** varieties or **CLEARFIELD** hybrids (not less than 75% hybrid seed).

DO NOT make more than 2 applications of **Newpath** in a use season.

Only apply postemergence treatments to rice at the spike to 2-leaf and 3- to 5-leaf stages.

There must be a preharvest interval of at least **45 days** between the last application of **Newpath** and rice harvest when total amount of **Newpath** is equal to or less than 0.125 lb ae (8 fl ozs) per acre per season.

There must be a preharvest interval of at least **85 days** between the last application of **Newpath** and rice harvest when total amount of **Newpath** exceeds 0.125 lb ae (8 fl ozs) per acre per season.

AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

Use this product only in accordance with its labeling and with the Worker Protection Standard, 40 CFR part 170. This standard contains requirements for the protection of agricultural workers on farms, forests, nurseries, and greenhouses, and handlers of agricultural pesticides. It contains requirements for training, decontamination, notification, and emergency assistance. It also contains specific instructions and exceptions pertaining to the statements on this label about personal protective equipment (PPE) and restricted-entry interval. The requirements in this box only apply to uses of this product that are covered by the Worker Protection Standard.

DO NOT enter or allow worker entry into treated areas during the restricted-entry interval (REI) of **4 hours**.

Exception: If the product is soil-injected or soil-incorporated, the Worker Protection Standard allows workers to enter the treated area if there will be no contact with anything that has been treated.

PPE required for early entry to treated areas that is permitted under the Worker Protection Standard and that involves contact with anything that has been treated, such as plants, soil, or water, is:

- Coveralls
- Waterproof gloves
- Shoes plus socks

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

DO NOT contaminate water, food or feed by storage or disposal.

Pesticide Storage

KEEP FROM FREEZING. **DO NOT** store below 32°F.

Pesticide Disposal

Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on-site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

Container Handling

Nonrefillable Container. DO NOT reuse or refill this container. Triple rinse or pressure rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying; then offer for recycling, if available, or reconditioning, if appropriate, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by incineration, or by other procedures approved by state and local authorities.

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STORAGE AND DISPOSAL *(continued)*

Container Handling *(continued)*

Triple rinse containers small enough to shake (capacity ≤ 5 gallons) as follows: Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank and drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Fill the container 1/4 full with water and recap. Shake for 10 seconds. Pour rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank, or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Repeat this procedure two more times.

Triple rinse containers too large to shake (capacity > 5 gallons) as follows: Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or a mix tank. Fill the container 1/4 full with water. Replace and tighten closures. Tip container on its side and roll it back and forth, ensuring at least one complete revolution, for 30 seconds. Stand the container on its end and tip it back and forth several times. Turn the container over onto its other end and tip it back and forth several times. Empty the rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank, or store rinsate for later use or disposal. Repeat this procedure two more times.

Pressure rinse as follows: Empty the remaining contents into application equipment or mix tank and continue to drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip. Hold container upside down over application equipment or mix tank, or collect rinsate for later use or disposal. Insert pressure rinsing nozzle in the side of the container and rinse at about 40 PSI for at least 30 seconds. Drain for 10 seconds after the flow begins to drip.

In Case of Spill

In case of large-scale spillage regarding this product, call:

CHEMTREC	1-800-424-9300
BASF Corporation	1-800-832-HELP (4357)

Steps to be taken in case material is released or spilled:

Dike and contain the spill with inert material (sand, earth, etc.) and transfer liquid and solid diking material to separate containers for disposal. Remove contaminated clothing and wash affected skin areas with soap and water. Wash clothing before reuse. Keep the spill out of all sewers and open bodies of water.

Mandatory Spray Drift Management

Aerial Applications

- **DO NOT** release spray at a height greater than 10 ft above the ground or vegetative canopy, unless a greater application height is necessary for pilot safety.
- For applications prior to the emergence of crops and target weeds, applicators are required to use a coarse or coarser droplet size (ASABE S641).
- For all other applications, applicators are required to use a medium or coarser droplet size (ASABE S641).
- Applicators must use 1/2 swath displacement upwind at the downwind edge of the field.
- **DO NOT** apply when wind speeds exceed 10 mph at the application site.
- **DO NOT** apply during temperature inversions.

Ground Boom Applications

- User must only apply with the release height recommended by the manufacturer, but no more than 3 ft above the ground or crop canopy.
- For applications prior to the emergence of crops and target weeds, applicators are required to use a coarse or coarser droplet size (ASAE S572.3).
- For all other applications, applicators are required to use a medium or coarser droplet size (ASAE S572.3).
- **DO NOT** apply when wind speeds exceed 10 mph at the application site.
- **DO NOT** apply during temperature inversions.

SPRAY DRIFT ADVISORIES

THE APPLICATOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR AVOIDING OFF-SITE SPRAY DRIFT. BE AWARE OF NEARBY NON-TARGET SITES AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS.

Importance of Droplet Size

An effective way to reduce spray drift is to apply large droplets. Use the largest droplets that provide target pest control. While applying larger droplets will reduce spray drift, the potential for drift will be greater if applications are made improperly or under unfavorable environmental conditions.

Controlling Droplet Size – Ground Boom

- **Volume** - Increasing the spray volume so that larger droplets are produced will reduce spray drift. Use the highest practical spray volume for the application. If a greater spray volume is needed, consider using a nozzle with a higher flow rate.
- **Pressure** - Use the lowest spray pressure recommended for the nozzle to produce the target spray volume and droplet size.
- **Spray Nozzle** - Use a spray nozzle that is designed for the intended application. Consider using nozzles designed to reduce drift.

Controlling Droplet Size – Aircraft

- **Adjust Nozzles** - Follow nozzle manufacturers recommendations for setting up nozzles.
- Generally, to reduce fine droplets, nozzles should be oriented parallel with the airflow in flight.

Boom Height – Ground Boom

For ground equipment, the boom should remain level with the crop and have minimal bounce.

Release Height – Aircraft

Higher release heights increase the potential for spray drift.

Shielded Sprayers

Shielding the boom or individual nozzles can reduce spray drift. Consider using shielded sprayers. Verify that the shields are not interfering with the uniform deposition of the spray on the target area.

Temperature and Humidity

When making applications in hot and dry conditions, use larger droplets to reduce effects of evaporation.

Temperature Inversions

Drift potential is high during a temperature inversion. Temperature inversions are characterized by increasing temperature with altitude and are common on nights with limited cloud cover and light to no wind. The presence of an inversion can be indicated by ground fog or by the movement of smoke from a ground source or an aircraft smoke generator. Smoke that layers and moves laterally in a concentrated cloud (under low wind conditions) indicates an inversion, while smoke that moves upward and rapidly dissipates indicates good vertical air mixing. Avoid applications during temperature inversions.

Wind

- Drift potential generally increases with wind speed. AVOID APPLICATIONS DURING GUSTY WIND CONDITIONS.
- Applicators need to be familiar with local wind patterns and terrain that could affect spray drift.

WEED RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT

Newpath® herbicide is a **Group 2** herbicide. While weed resistance to **Group 2** herbicides is common in a number of weed species, these herbicides remain an important component of successful weed control programs. Resistance management should be part a diversified weed control strategy that integrates multiple options including chemical, cultural, mechanical, and biological control tactics. Cultural control tactics include agronomic practices that improve the competitive ability of the crop via rotation, variety/cultivar selection, precision fertilizer placement and optimum crop plant density. Agronomic practices should also limit the development and spread of weeds by using clean crop seed (e.g., certified seed), prevent crop trait out-crossing, control weed influx from field borders, and manage weed seed at harvest/post-harvest to minimize the carryover weed seed-bank into the following crop. Mechanical control tactics include timely tillage where practical, equipment cleaning to avoid weed spread, and minimization of harvest crop seed losses in the field through close attention to timeliness of harvesting, correct setup of harvest equipment, and covering crop seed loads during harvest and transport to avoid dispersing seed. An example of a biological control tactic is field grazing during or after cropping to manage weeds and reduce weed seed production.

To aid in the prevention of developing weeds resistant to this product, the following steps should be followed where practical:

- Plant into weed-free fields. Start with clean tillage or an effective burndown herbicide program.
- Apply preemergence herbicides that provide soil residual control of broadleaf and grass weeds to reduce early season weed competition and allow for timely in-crop postemergence herbicide applications.
- Use tank mixes and sequential applications with other herbicides possessing different sites of action that are also effective on the target weeds.
- Follow labeled application rate and weed growth stage specifications.
- **DO NOT** rely on a single herbicide site of action for weed control during the growing season.
- Avoid application of herbicides with the same site of action more than twice a season.
- Apply full labeled rates of **Newpath** for the most difficult-to-control weed in the field at the specified time (correct weed size) to minimize weed escapes.
- Use recommended adjuvant, adequate spray volume, proper nozzle and pressure (see label) to ensure effective weed coverage for applications.
- Control weeds in field borders to prevent weeds from influx into field.
- Scout fields before herbicide application to ensure herbicides and rates will be optimum for the weed species and weed sizes present.
- Scout fields after herbicide application to identify areas where weed control was ineffective and to monitor weed populations for early signs of resistance development. Consider application and environmental factors that may have led to incomplete control. Indicators of suspected herbicide resistance include: (1) failure to control a weed species normally controlled by the herbicide at the dose applied, especially if control is achieved on adjacent

weeds; (2) a spreading patch of non-controlled plants of a particular weed species; (3) surviving plants mixed with controlled individuals of the same species. If resistance is suspected, prevent weed seed production in the affected area by an alternative herbicide from a different group other than **Group 2** or by a mechanical method such as hoeing or tillage.

- If a weed population continues to progress after treatment with this product, discontinue use of this product. Switch to another management strategy or another herbicide with a different mode of action.
- Control weed escapes with herbicides possessing a different site of action or use a mechanical control measure. Weed escapes should not be allowed to reproduce by seed or to proliferate vegetatively.
- Clean tillage, harvesting, and other equipment before moving to a different field to avoid spread of resistant weeds (especially harvest and tillage equipment).
- Contact your herbicide supplier and/or your local BASF representative if resistance is suspected.

Additionally, users should follow as many of the following herbicide resistance management practices as is practical:

- Use a broad spectrum, soil-applied herbicide with site of action other than **Group 2** as a foundation in a weed control program.
- Utilize sequential applications of herbicides with alternative sites of action.
- Rotate the use of this product with non-**Group 2** herbicides.
- Avoid making more than two applications of **Newpath® herbicide** and any other **Group 2** herbicide within a single growing season unless mixed with another site of action herbicide with an overlapping spectrum for the difficult-to-control weeds.
- Incorporate non-chemical weed control practices, such as mechanical cultivation, crop rotation, cover crops and weed-free crop seeds, as part of an integrated weed control program.
- Thoroughly clean plant residues from equipment before and after leaving fields suspected to contain resistant weeds.
- Manage weeds in and around fields during and after harvest to reduce weed seed production.
- Contact the local agricultural extension service, BASF representative, Ag retailer or crop consultant for further guidance on weed control practices as needed.

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Newpath for CLEARFIELD® rice can be applied preplant incorporated (PPI) up to 7 days prior to rice planting, preemergence and postemergence for weed control in only **CLEARFIELD rice** (imidazolinone tolerant rice). Apply **Newpath** only on selected rice varieties or hybrids (not less than 75% hybrid seed) labeled as "**CLEARFIELD**" and warranted by the seed company to possess tolerance to direct application of certain imidazolinone herbicides. **DO NOT** apply **Newpath** to rice varieties or hybrids (less than 75% hybrid seed) that lack tolerance to imidazolinone herbicides because **Newpath** will kill all non-imidazolinone tolerant varieties or hybrids.

Contact your seed supplier, chemical dealer or BASF to obtain information regarding imidazolinone tolerant rice varieties.

Adhere to **Part 201.11a Hybrid** of the Federal Seed Act Regulations, labeling agricultural seeds: If any one kind or kind and variety of seed present in excess of 5 percent is "hybrid" seed, it shall be designated "hybrid" on the label. The percentage that is hybrid shall be at least 95 percent of the percentage of pure seed shown unless the percentage of pure seed which is hybrid seed is shown separately. If two or more kinds or varieties are present in excess of 5 percent and are named on the label, each that is hybrid shall be designated as hybrid on the label. Any one kind or kind and variety that has pure seed which is less than 95 percent but more than 75 percent hybrid seed as a result of incompletely controlled pollination in a cross shall be labeled to show (a) the percentage of pure seed that is hybrid seed or (b) a statement such as "Contains from 75 percent to 95 percent hybrid seed." No one kind or variety of seed shall be labeled as hybrid if the pure seed contains less than 75 percent hybrid seed.

Newpath kills weeds by root and/or foliage uptake and rapid translocation to the growing points. Adequate soil moisture is important for optimum **Newpath** activity. When adequate soil moisture is present, **Newpath** will provide residual control of susceptible germinating weeds; activity on established weeds will depend on the weed species and the location of its root system in the soil. Activity of **Newpath** on susceptible weeds is usually visible in 10 to 14 days.

Crops growing under stressful environmental conditions can exhibit various injury symptoms which may be more pronounced if herbicides are used. **CLEARFIELD rice** plants treated with **Newpath** may exhibit a slight height reduction. Such effects occur infrequently and are temporary. Normal growth and appearance should resume within 2 to 4 weeks.

Newpath can be applied to **CLEARFIELD rice** under all tillage systems, drill or broadcast dry-seeded and clear water-seeded (tolerant varieties and hybrids only). The use rate and timing of application may vary with these production systems. **Newpath** must be applied twice per season to control the weeds listed in the **WEEDS CONTROLLED** section of this label.

Use of **Newpath** in accordance with label directions is expected to result in normal growth of rotational crops in most situations; however, various environmental and agronomic factors make it impossible to eliminate all risks associated with the use of this product and, therefore, rotational crop injury is always possible. Under some

conditions (such as heavy texture soil, high organic matter or low pH), **Newpath® herbicide** may cause injury to subsequent planted crops. Vegetable crops, cotton and non-**CLEARFIELD® rice** are sensitive to **Newpath** residues in the soil.

Replanting
If replanting is necessary in a field previously treated with **Newpath**, the field may be replanted to **CLEARFIELD rice**, lima beans, peanuts, Southern peas, or soybeans. Rework the soil no deeper than the treated zone. **DO NOT** apply a second treatment of **Newpath** or other imidazolinone-containing product.

Naturally occurring biotypes* of some weeds listed on this label may not be effectively controlled by this and/or other products with either the ALS/AHAS enzyme-inhibiting mode of action. Other herbicides with ALS/AHAS enzyme mode of action include sulfonylureas (e.g. **Londax®**, **Accent®**, **Ally®**, **Basis®**, **Classic®**, **Exceed®**, **Harmony® Extra**, **Permit®**, **Pinnacle®**, **Regiment®**, etc.), the sulfonamides (e.g. **Broadstrike®**, etc.) and the pyrimidyl benzoates (e.g. **Staple®**, etc.). If naturally occurring ALS/AHAS-resistant biotypes are present in a field, tank mix or sequentially apply **Newpath for CLEARFIELD rice** and/or any of the ALS/AHAS enzyme-inhibiting mode-of-action herbicides, with an appropriate registered herbicide having a different mode of action to ensure control.

* A weed biotype is a naturally occurring plant within a given species that has a slightly different, but distinct, genetic makeup from other plants.

USE AREA

Newpath may be used only on **CLEARFIELD rice** in the United States (not for use in California) and Puerto Rico.

MIXING INSTRUCTIONS

Postemergence applications of Newpath for CLEARFIELD rice require the addition of an adjuvant.

When an adjuvant (or a specific adjuvant product, such as a drift control agent) is to be used with this product, the use of a Chemical Producers and Distributors Association (CPDA) certified adjuvant is recommended.

SURFACTANTS
With tolerant varieties or hybrids, apply a crop oil at 1 to 2 pts/A.

Fill the spray tank 1/2 to 3/4 full with clean water. Use a calibrated measuring device to measure the required amount of **Newpath**.

Add **Newpath** to the spray tank while agitating. Add adjuvants and fill the remainder of the tank with water. **DO NOT** add a crop oil concentrate when mixing **Newpath** and **Aim® herbicide** or crop injury may occur. When mixing **Newpath** and **Aim** herbicide, use a quality nonionic surfactant (NIS) at 0.25% v/v having **at least** 80% active ingredient.

TANK MIX COMBINATIONS WITH OTHER HERBICIDES
If other herbicides are tank mixed with **Newpath**, while agitating, add components in the following order:
1. Fill spray tank 1/2 full with clean water.
2. Add soluble-packet products and thoroughly mix.
3. Add WP (wettable powder), DG (dispersible granule), DF (dry flowable) or liquid flowable formulations not in soluble packets.
4. Add **Newpath** and thoroughly mix.
5. Add other aqueous solution products.
6. Add EC (emulsifiable concentrate) products.
7. Add surfactant or crop oil to the spray tank.
8. While agitating, fill the remainder of the tank with water.

To avoid injury to sensitive crops, spray equipment used for **Newpath** applications must be drained and thoroughly cleaned with water before being used to apply other products.

When **Newpath** is used in combination with another herbicide, refer to the respective label for rates, methods of application, proper timing, weeds controlled, restrictions and precautions. Always use in accordance with the more restrictive label restrictions and precautions. **DO NOT** exceed label dosages. **DO NOT** mix **Newpath** with any product containing a label prohibiting such mixtures.

SPRAYING INSTRUCTIONS

Apply **Newpath** only to **CLEARFIELD rice** varieties and hybrids (not less than 75% hybrid seed).

DO NOT apply **Newpath** by aerial application when the wind speed is greater than 5 mph if spray may be carried to sensitive crops.

Sensitive crops include, but are not limited to, leafy vegetables, cotton and non-**CLEARFIELD rice** varieties and hybrids.

Under all other conditions, the maximum allowable wind speed for an aerial or ground application of **Newpath** is 10 mph.

GROUND APPLICATION
Uniformly apply with properly calibrated ground equipment in 10 or more gallons of water per acre. A spray pressure of 20 to 40 psi is recommended.

Adjust the boom height to ensure proper coverage of weed foliage (according to the manufacturer's recommendation). Use only flat-fan nozzle tips for postemergence applications. Avoid overlaps when spraying.

AERIAL APPLICATION
Newpath may be applied by air only to CLEARFIELD rice varieties and hybrids. DO NOT apply by air to other crops.

Uniformly apply with properly calibrated aerial equipment in 10 or more gallons of water per acre. When applied **POSTEMERGENCE**, the addition of an adjuvant is required for optimum weed control. Apply a crop oil at 1 to 2 pts/A with tolerant varieties or hybrids. See instructions

for **Postemergence Application (prior to permanent flood)** in **APPLICATION INFORMATION**.

Avoiding spray drift at the application site is the responsibility of the applicator. The interaction of many equipment- and weather-related factors determines the potential for spray drift. The applicator and the grower are responsible for considering all these factors when making decisions.

DO NOT apply to forestry applications, public health uses or to applications using dry formulations.

Where states have more stringent regulations, they should be observed.

The applicator should be familiar with and take into account the information covered in the **SPRAY DRIFT** and **SPRAY DRIFT ADVISORIES** sections in this label.

SENSITIVE AREAS
The pesticide should only be applied when the potential for drift to adjacent sensitive areas (e.g. residential areas, bodies of water, known habitat for threatened or endangered species, or non-target crops) is minimal (e.g. when wind is blowing away from the sensitive areas).

To the extent allowable by applicable law, applicator is responsible for any loss or damage that results from spraying **Newpath® herbicide for CLEARFIELD® rice** in a manner other than recommended in this label. In addition, applicator must follow all applicable state and local regulations and ordinances in regard to spraying.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Newpath for CLEARFIELD rice can be applied to **CLEARFIELD rice** under all tillage systems, drill or broadcast dry-seeded and clear water-seeded (tolerant varieties and hybrids only). **Newpath** must be applied twice per season (to control weeds listed in the **WEEDS CONTROLLED** section of this label. Two application programs are recommended:

1. A soil application followed by postemergence application
OR
2. Two postemergence applications

In the soil followed by post program, the soil application is made either preplant incorporated or preemergence followed by a postemergence application prior to establishing the permanent flood. The soil treatment **must be** activated by flushing the rice field or by adequate rainfall. To maintain herbicidal activity until a permanent flood is established, subsequent flushing or rainfall is necessary.

In the post followed by post program (tolerant varieties and hybrids only), the first post application is made at the spike to 2-leaf stage of **CLEARFIELD rice** followed by a second post application made at the 3- to 5-leaf stage of **CLEARFIELD rice**. The first post application **must be** activated by flushing the rice field or by adequate rainfall after application. To maintain herbicidal activity until a permanent flood is established, subsequent flushing or rainfall is necessary after the second post application is made. Even though weeds may not be present, the second application prior to establishing permanent flood is critical for controlling weeds that have not emerged. A single application of **Newpath** rarely provides enough residual herbicidal activity for season-long weed control.

Soil Followed by Post Application
In conservation tillage systems, weeds may germinate and emerge from below treated soil resulting in weed escapes. For control of these escapes, the subsequent postemergence application must be applied at the correct growth stage of the weed (see **WEEDS CONTROLLED** section of this label). Rainfall (at least 0.5 inch) or flushing that uniformly wets the soil to a depth of 2 inches within 2 days of **Newpath** application is essential to maximize weed control.

Conservation Tillage or Stale Seedbed Application
Many soils, especially clay soils, are prepared in the fall and not tilled in the spring to ensure an optimum seedbed for rice planting and herbicide application. To control weeds before planting, use a burndown product such as glyphosate or paraquat registered for this use prior to **Newpath** application. See the **Preemergence Application** section for **Newpath for CLEARFIELD rice** application instructions.

Preplant Incorporated Application
Newpath can be applied as a preplant incorporated treatment up to 7 days prior to rice planting. Generally, application during final seedbed preparation just before rice planting provides the best weed control. The soil must be free of clods or weed escapes may result. If small weeds are present at **Newpath** application, addition of a glyphosate or paraquat product is recommended. When applied preplant incorporated, uniformly incorporate **Newpath** (at least a single pass with a field cultivator, no disks) to a depth of 1 to 2 inches.

Preemergence Application
Newpath can be applied as a preemergence treatment prior to rice emergence. Apply immediately after planting for the best results. If weeds are present at time of application, include a burndown product such as glyphosate or paraquat registered for this use. A tank mix with **Facet® 75 DF herbicide** is recommended for heavy soils, especially in fields in conservation tillage and stale seedbeds.

Adequate soil moisture is required for optimum herbicide activation for all methods of soil application. If sufficient levels of precipitation (usually 0.5 inch) do not occur within 2 days after application, a flush (flood irrigation) is recommended to move **Newpath** into the weed germination zone for maximum activity. The amount of rainfall or irrigation required following application depends on existing soil moisture, soil texture and organic matter content. Sufficient water to moisten the soil to a depth of 2 inches is normally adequate. When adequate moisture is received after dry conditions, **Newpath** will provide residual control of susceptible germinating weeds; activity on established weeds will depend on the weed species and the location of its root system in the soil.

Newpath® herbicide controls weeds by root uptake and translocation to the growing points where it inhibits weed growth. Susceptible weeds may emerge but growth will stop and the weeds will become noncompetitive with the rice.

Postemergence Application (prior to permanent flood)
Apply **Newpath** postemergence to **CLEARFIELD® rice** in the 3-leaf growth stage through the 5-leaf growth stage prior to establishing the permanent flood. **Newpath** must be applied to actively growing weeds. **DO NOT** apply into standing water (levee furrows or potholes) or flooded rice as weed control will be reduced. Initiate permanent flood within 2 days of postemergence application or as soon as the growth stage of rice permits. If the permanent flood is delayed and rainfall is insufficient for optimum rice growth, flush to maintain **Newpath** soil activity and to promote rice development. Include a recommended surfactant with all postemergence applications to maximize weed control.

Post followed by Post Application Tolerant Varieties and Hybrids Only
For tolerant varieties and hybrids, a post followed by post application in **CLEARFIELD rice** may be used. Apply the first post application when the rice is no larger than the spike to 2-leaf stage of growth; then make the second post application approximately 10 to no more than 14 days later when the rice is in the 3- to 5-leaf stage of growth. Include a recommended surfactant with all postemergence applications to maximize weed control.

First Postemergence Application (spike to 2-leaf CLEARFIELD rice growth stage)
Apply **Newpath for CLEARFIELD rice** postemergence to **CLEARFIELD rice** in the spike stage through the 2-leaf growth stage. **Newpath** must be applied to actively growing weeds. **Prowl® H2O herbicide** should be included with the first postemergence application for control of sprangletop. **DO NOT** use **Prowl H2O** for water-seeded **CLEARFIELD rice**.

Adequate soil moisture is required for optimum herbicide activation for the first postemergence application in the post followed by post system. If sufficient levels of precipitation (usually 0.5 inch) do not occur within 2 days after application, a flush (flood irrigation) is recommended to move into the weed germination zone for maximum activity. The amount of rainfall or irrigation required following application depends on existing soil moisture, soil texture and organic matter content. Sufficient water to moisten the soil to a depth of 2 inches is normally adequate. When adequate moisture is received after dry conditions, **Newpath** will provide residual control of susceptible germinating weeds; activity on established weeds will depend on the weed species and the location of its root system in the soil.

Second Postemergence Application (approximately 10 to no more than 14 days after the first postemergence application; 3- to 5-leaf CLEARFIELD rice growth stage; prior to permanent flood)

Apply **Newpath** postemergence to **CLEARFIELD rice** in the 3-leaf growth stage through the 5-leaf growth stage, prior to establishing the permanent flood. **Newpath** must be applied to actively growing weeds. **DO NOT** apply into standing water (levee furrows or potholes) or flooded rice as weed control will be reduced. Initiate permanent flood within 2 days of postemergence application or as soon as the growth stage of rice permits. If the permanent flood is delayed and rainfall is insufficient for optimum rice growth, flush to maintain **Newpath** soil activity and to promote rice development.

DO NOT apply Newpath to rice growing under stress induced by adverse conditions such as other herbicide injury, cool temperatures, saline soil, nutrient deficiency and disease pressure, or to rice when conditions are forecast that stress rice, especially cool temperatures. If applied under these conditions, stunting and/or yellowing may occur in rice. Weed control may be reduced when Newpath is applied during stress conditions.

An adjuvant must be added to the spray solution for optimum weed control activity. See the **SURFACTANTS** section under **MIXING INSTRUCTIONS** for specific instructions.

When **Newpath** is applied postemergence, absorption will occur through both the roots and foliage. Susceptible weeds stop growing and either die or become noncompetitive with the crop. Activity of **Newpath** on susceptible weeds is usually visible in 10 to 14 days. **Newpath** not only controls many existing broadleaf and grass weeds when applied postemergence, it also provides control of susceptible weeds that may emerge after application.

Apply **Newpath** a minimum of 1 hour before rainfall.

USE RATE

For broad-spectrum, season-long weed control, sequentially apply **Newpath for CLEARFIELD rice** preplant incorporated or preemergence followed by a postemergence application to **CLEARFIELD rice** at the 3- to 5-leaf growth stage, or sequentially apply **Newpath** postemergence (spike to 2-leaf) followed by a second postemergence application (3- to 5-leaf) on tolerant varieties and hybrids (not less than 75% hybrid seed) only. If weeds listed on this label escape the soil application or first postemergence application and become larger than the crop, for control, the subsequent postemergence application **must** be applied at the correct growth stage of the weed. Postemergence application to less than 3-leaf rice may cause crop injury. Application to less than 2-leaf rice may reduce stands on first generation tolerant varieties.

DO NOT apply more than 0.188 lb ae imazethapyr (12 fl ozs **Newpath**) per acre during the growing season to **CLEARFIELD** varieties or **CLEARFIELD** hybrids (not less than 75% hybrid seed).

Table 1. CLEARFIELD® Varieties and CLEARFIELD Hybrids (not less than 75% hybrid seed)	
Tillage	**Rates Per Acre**
Soils suitable for spring tillage and incorporation of **Newpath® herbicide for CLEARFIELD rice**	4 to 6* fluid ounces preplant incorporated – followed by- 4 to 6 fluid ounces postemergence (3- to 5-leaf) OR 4 to 6 fluid ounces preemergence – followed by- 4 to 6 fluid ounces postemergence (3- to 5-leaf) OR 4 to 6 fluid ounces postemergence (spike to 2-leaf) – followed by- 4 to 6 fluid ounces postemergence (3- to 5-leaf)
Conservation tillage or stale seedbed	4 to 6 fluid ounces preemergence – followed by- 4 to 6 fluid ounces postemergence (3- to 5-leaf) OR 4 to 6 fluid ounces postemergence (spike to 2-leaf) – followed by- 4 to 6 fluid ounces postemergence (3- to 5-leaf)

*Use higher rates under higher weed pressure and/or large weeds.

WEEDS CONTROLLED

When applied sequentially as directed in the **USE RATE** section of this label, **Newpath® herbicide for CLEARFIELD® rice** will control the following weeds:

Weeds Controlled	Leaf Stage (up to)	Maximum Height (inches)
Annual Grasses		
Barnyardgrass	4	4
Crabgrass, large	3	3
Johnsongrass, seedling	4	5
Red rice	4	5
Shattercane	4	6
Signalgrass, broadleaf	3	2
Sprangletop*	2	2
Broadleaf Weeds		
Morningglory, cypressvine	3	2
, palmleaf	3	2
, pitted	3	2
Smartweed species	4	3
Sedges		
Nutsedge, species	4	3
Rice flatsedge	4	3

* Sprangletop is suppression only in a postemergence followed by a postemergence application system. **Prowl® H2O herbicide** delayed preemergence or early postemergence must be applied in conjunction with the post followed by post **Newpath** program to get adequate control. **Clincher® herbicide** is recommended with the second postemergence application for sprangletop control.

- **It is essential that the soil treatment or initial post application in the post followed by post application program is activated by flushing the rice field or by adequate rainfall. To maintain herbicidal activity until a permanent flood is established, subsequent flushing or rainfall is necessary after the second postemergence application of Newpath.**
- All postemergence applications **must** occur prior to tillering to control grasses.
- Preplant incorporated treatments of **Newpath** provide more consistent grass control only if thoroughly incorporated and clod-free.

When applied as directed in the **USE RATE** section of this label, **Newpath** will **suppress** the following weeds:

Suppressed Weeds
Alligatorweed
Dayflower, spreading
Ducksalad
Eclipta
Mexicanweed
Morningglory, entireleaf
Morningglory, ivyleaf
Morningglory, tall
Purple ammannia (redstem)
Texasweed
Water plantain (Common arrowhead)

HERBICIDE COMBINATIONS

To improve control of the broadleaf weeds listed under **Suppressed Weeds** in the **WEEDS CONTROLLED** section, and for acceptable control of other broadleaf weeds, use an appropriate tank mix partner in combination with the postemergence application of **Newpath**. Following are suggested partner herbicides, use rates and weeds controlled.

1. **Facet® 75 DF herbicide**. Apply **Facet 75 DF** at 0.33 to 0.67 pound per acre for enhanced barnyardgrass control and control of morninglories, eclipta, jointvetch and hemp sesbania. A crop oil may be used with the enhanced tolerance varieties.
2. **Prowl H2O herbicide**. See label for specific rate instructions.
3. Tank mix with **Basagran® herbicide**. Apply **Basagran** at 1.5 to 2.0 pints per acre for the control of large dayflower, ducksalad, eclipta, redstem, smartweed and water plantains. **DO NOT** add the additional crop oil concentrate.
4. **Storm® herbicide**. Apply **Storm** at 1.5 pints per acre for control of dayflower, morningglory, smartweed, hemp sesbania and cocklebur.
5. **Ultra Blazer® herbicide**. Apply **Ultra Blazer** after the post application of **Newpath** at the rate of 0.5 pint per acre for the control of hemp sesbania.
6. **Stam® herbicide** or other propanil herbicides. Apply propanil at 3 to 4 pounds active ingredient per acre for the control of hemp sesbania, Mexicanweed and redweed. **DO NOT** include nonionic surfactant in this tank mix if propanil formulation already contains an adjuvant.
7. **Clincher** is recommended with the second postemergence application in the postemergence followed by postemergence program for sprangletop control.

When **Newpath** is used in combination with another herbicide, refer to the respective label for rates, methods of application, proper timing, weeds controlled, restrictions and precautions. Always use in accordance with the more restrictive label restrictions and precautions. **DO NOT** exceed label dosages. **DO NOT** mix **Newpath** with any product containing a label prohibiting such mixtures.

STEWARDSHIP

To preserve the long-term efficacy of the **CLEARFIELD® rice** technology, certain stewardship practices are advised.

- Growers must purchase certified seed to produce a single crop as a safeguard against introducing red rice.
- After a crop of **CLEARFIELD rice**, fallow or rotate the field to a different crop and control red rice with a herbicide with a mode of action different from **Newpath® herbicide**.
- See your seed dealer, agricultural chemical dealer or BASF representative for a copy of the **Newpath** Technical Bulletin for additional guidance.

ROTATIONAL CROP RESTRICTIONS

The following rotational crops may be planted following application of **Newpath for CLEARFIELD rice** for use rates up to 8 fl ozs (0.125 lb ae imazethapyr) per acre per season at the intervals specified below.

For use rates greater than 8 fl ozs per acre per season up to 12 fl ozs (0.188 lb ae imazethapyr) per acre per season, SOYBEAN is the only crop that may be planted the following year.

1. Anytime:
   - **CLEARFIELD rice** varieties and hybrids (not less than 75% hybrid seed)
   - Lima beans
   - Peanuts
   - Southern peas
   - Soybeans
2. Four months after **Newpath** application:
   - Alfalfa
   - Edible beans and peas (other than lima beans and Southern peas)
   - Rye
   - Wheat
3. Eight and one-half months after **Newpath** application:
   - Field corn
   - Field corn grown for seed
4. Nine and one-half months after **Newpath** application:
   - Barley
   - Tobacco
5. Eighteen months after **Newpath** application:
   - Cotton
   - Lettuce
   - Oats
   - Popcorn
   - Rice (non-imidazolinone tolerant)
   - Safflower
   - Sorghum
   - Sunflower
   - Sweet corn
6. Twenty-six months after **Newpath** application:
   - Flax
   - Potatoes
7. Forty months after **Newpath** application:
   - All crops not listed*

* Following 40 months after a **Newpath** application, and before planting any crop not listed elsewhere in the **ROTATIONAL CROP RESTRICTIONS**, a successful field bioassay must be completed. The field bioassay consists of a test strip of the intended rotational crop planted across the previously treated field and grown to maturity. The test strip should include low areas and knolls, and include variations in soil such as type and pH. If no crop injury is evident in the test strip, the intended rotational crop may be planted the following year.

Use of **Newpath** herbicide in accordance with label directions is expected to result in normal growth of rotational crops in most situations; however, various environmental and agronomic factors make it impossible to eliminate all risks associated with the use of this product and, therefore, rotational crop injury is always possible.

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The **Directions For Use** of this product reflect the opinion of experts based on field use and tests. The directions are believed to be reliable and must be followed carefully. However, it is impossible to eliminate all risks inherently associated with the use of this product. Crop injury, ineffectiveness or other unintended consequences may result because of such factors as weather conditions, presence of other materials, or use of the product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling, all of which are beyond the control of BASF CORPORATION ("BASF") or the Seller. To the extent consistent with applicable law, all such risks shall be assumed by the Buyer.

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USE ON CLEARFIELD® RICE
Licensed for use on ATCC 75295, ATCC 97523, PTA-902, PTA-903, PTA-904, PTA-905, PTA-906, PTA-907, or PTA-908 rice and derivatives and progeny. With the purchase of this herbicide, the purchaser is granted a sublicense under claims in United States Patent Nos. 5,773,704; 5,952,553; 6,222,100; 6,274,796; 6,943,280; 7,019,196; 7,345,221; 7,399,905; 7,495,153; 7,754,947; and 7,786,360 relating to applying imazethapyr herbicide to fields planted with rice seed purchased in a container bearing the legend **"Licensed for use on ATCC 75295, ATCC 97523, PTA-902, PTA-903, PTA-904, PTA-905, PTA-906, PTA-907, or PTA-908 rice and derivatives and progeny"** in full accordance with the directions printed on this label for the sole purpose of spraying or otherwise applying **Newpath** to fields planted with such rice seed to produce grain for use or sale only as food or feed.

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