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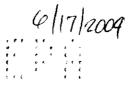
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# SUPPLEMENTAL LABELING

**DUPONT™ ESCORT® XP** HERBICIDE FOR RANGELAND

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## FOR USE ON RANGELAND

## **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

**DuPont Crop** 

DUPONT<sup>™</sup>ESCORT® XP is recommended for the control of broadleaf weeds in forage grasses growing in rangeland.

ESCORT® XP may be tank mixed with other pesticides labeled for use in rangeland. Read and follow the labels on all products used in the tank mix. Observe the most restrictive precautions on each of the product's labels.

Application of ESCORT® XP to rangeland may be made by ground or air. Use a sufficient volume of water to ensure thorough coverage of the targeted weeds with the equipment being used. In Idaho, Oregon and Washington use a minimum application volume of 3 gallons of spray solution per acre.

#### APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR GRASS ESTABLISHMENT IN RANGELAND

ESCORT® XP is recommended for the control or suppression of broadleaf weeds to aid in the establishment of the following perennial native or improved grasses planted in rangeland:

Blue Grama	Sideoats grama	
Bluestems	Switchgrass -	
Big	Blackwell	
Little	Wheatgrasses -	
Plains	bluebunch	
Sand	crested	
W W spar	intermediate	
Buffalograss	pubescent	
Green sprangletop	Siberian	
Kleingrass	slender	
Lovegrasses	steambank	
Atherstone	tall	
Sand	thickspike	
Weeping	western	
Wilman	Wildrye grass –	
Orchardgrass	Russian	

Maximize potential for grass establishment by consulting with the Natural Resource and Conservation Service of other government agencies or local experts concerning planting techniques and other cultural practices.

Performance from ESCORT® XP may not always be satisfactory due to the inability of newly planted grass stands to sufficiently compete with weeds, and the severity of weed pressure in new grass stands.

An additional herbicide application or mowing may be needed.

#### Use Rates and Application Timing for Grass Establishment in Rangeland Preplant (prior to planting) or Preemergence (after planting but before grass emergence)

Do not use more than 1/10 ounce/acre of ESCORT® XP for grass establishment in rangeland.

Apply ESCORT® XP at 1/10 ounce/acre on all labeled grasses except orchardgrass and Russian wildrye grass. Do not apply ESCORT® XP preplant or preemergence to orchardgrass and Russian wildrye grass as severe crop injury may result.

#### Early postemergence to new plantings

Apply ESCORT® XP at 1/10 ounce/acre, plus a non-ionic surfactant at the rate of 2 to 4 pints/100 gallons of spray solution on all labeled grasses anytime after grass emergence.

Do not use a spray adjuvant other than non-ionic surfactant. Because grass species differ in time of emergence, apply only after the majority of grasses are in the 3 to 4 leaf stage.

#### Postemergence to stands with 1 - 5 leaf grasses planted the previous season.

Apply ESCORT® XP at 1/10 ounce/acre plus a non-ionic surfactant at the rate of 2 to 4 pints/100 gallons of spray solution, on all labeled grasses when the majority of the grasses have one or more leaves.

Do not use a spray adjuvant other than non-ionic surfactant.

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#### APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR ESTABLISHED GRASSES IN RANGELAND

#### Use Rates for Established Grasses in Rangeland

Apply up to 1 ounce ESCORT® XP per acre as a broadcast application to established grasses in rangeland. For spot applications, use 1 ounce per 100 gallons of water. Do not apply more than 1 2/3 ounces of ESCORT® XP per acre per year.

Refer to the Weeds Controlled section of the section 3 label for alisting of the weeds controlled by ESCORT® XP and the appropriate use rate to obtain control.

#### Application Timing - Established Grasses in Rangeland

ESCORT® XP may be applied to established native grasses such as bluestems and grama, and on other established grasses such as bermudagrass, bluegrass, orchardgrass, bromegrass, fescue and timothy that were planted the previous growing season (or earlier) and are fully tillered, unless otherwise directed on this label. Specific application timing information on several of these grass species follows:

Ν	Minimum time from Grass establishment ESCORT® XP application	
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Bermudagrass	2 months	
Bluegrass, bromegrass, Orchard	grass 6 months	
Timothy	12 months	
Fescue	24 months	

#### **Fescue Precautions:**

Note that ESCORT® XP may temporarily stunt tall fescue, cause it to turn yellow, or cause seedhead suppression. To minimize these symptoms, take the following precautions:

- Do not use more than 4/10 ounce/acre of ESCORT® XP
- Tank mix ESCORT® XP with 2,4-D
- · Use the lowest recommended rate for target weeds
- Use a non-ionic surfactant at 1/2 to 1 pint per 100 gallons of spray solution
- Make application later in the spring after the new growth is 5 to 6 inches tall, or in the fall
- · Do not use surfactant when liquid nitrogen is used as a carrier
- · Do not use a spray adjuvant other than non-ionic surfactant

The first cutting yields may be reduced due to seedhead suppression resulting from treatment with DuPont<sup>™</sup> ESCORT<sup>®</sup> XP.

#### **Timothy Precautions:**

Timothy should be at least 6 inches tall at application and be actively growing. Applications of ESCORT® XP to timothy under any other conditions may cause crop yellowing and/or stunting. To minimize these symptoms, take the following precautions:

- Do not use more than 4/10 ounce/acre ESCORT® XP
- Tank mix ESCORT® XP with 2, 4-D
- · Use the lowest recommended rate for target weeds
- Use a non-ionic surfactant at 1/2 pint per 100 gallons of spray solution (1/16%)
- Make applications in the late summer or fall
- · Do not use surfactant when liquid nitrogen is used as a carrier
- · Do not use spray adjuvant other than non-ionic surfactant

Application of ESCORT® XP to Pensacola bahiagrass, ryegrass (Italian or perennial) and Garrison's creeping foxtail may cause severe injury to and/or loss of forage.

#### **Other Rangeland Grasses:**

Varieties and species of forage grasses differ in their tolerance to herbicides. When using ESCORT® XP on a particular grass for the first time, limit use to a small area. In no injury occurs throughout the season, larger acreage may be treated the following season.

Broadleaf forage species, such as alfalfa and clover, are highly sensitive to ESCORT® XP and will be severely stunted or injured by ESCORT® XP.

## **CROP ROTATION**

Before using ESCORT® XP, carefully consider your crop rotation plans and options. For rotational flexibility, do not treat all of your pasture, rangeland or CRP acres at the same time.

#### Minimum Rotational Intervals

Minimum rotation intervals\* are determined by the rate of breakdown of ESCORT® XP applied. ESCORT® XP breakdown in the soil is affected by soil pH, presence of soil microorganisms, soil temperature, and soil moisture. Low soil pH, high soil temperature, and high soil moisture increase ESCORT® XP breakdown in soil, while high soil pH, low soil temperature, and low soil moisture slow ESCORT® XP breakdown.

Of these 3 factors, only soil pH remains relatively constant. Soil temperature, and to a greater extent, soil moisture, can vary significantly from year to year and from area to area. For this reason, soil temperatures and soil moisture should be monitored regularly when considering crop rotations.

\* The minimum rotation interval represents the period of time from the last application to the anticipated date of the next planting.

## Rotation Intervals in Pasture, Rangeland or CRP for Overseeding and Renovation

Location	Crop or Grass Species	Maximum ESCORT® XP Rate on Pasture (oz per A)	Minimum Rotation Interval (months)
AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX, VA, WV	Alfalfa, red clover, white clover, sweet clover, bermudagrass, bluegrass, ryegrass, tall fescue	1/10 to 3/10	4
	Wheat (except durum)	1/10 to 3/10	1
	Durum, barley, oat	1/10 to 3/10	10
ALL STATES NOT INCLUDED	Red clover, white clover, and sweet clover	1/10 to 2/10	12
ABOVE	Bermudagrass, bluegrass, ryegrass	1/10 to 2/10	6
	Tall Fescue	1/10 to 2/10	18
	Wheat (except durum)	1/10 to 2/10	1
	Durum, barley, oat	1/10 to 2/10	10
ALL AREAS WITH SOIL PH	Russian wildrye	1/10 to 1/2	1
OF 7.5 OR LESS	Green needlegrass, switchgrass, sheep fescue	1/10 to 1	1
	Meadow brome, smooth brome, alta fescue, red fescue, meadow foxtail, orchardgrass, Russian wildrye, timothy	1/10 to 1	2
ALL AREAS WITH SOIL PH OF 7.9 OR LESS	Alkali sacoton, mountain brome, blue grama thickspike wheatgrass	1/10 to 1	1
	Sideoats grama, switchgrass	1/10 to 1/2	2
	Western wheatgrass	1/10 to 1	2
	Sideoats grama, switchgrass, big bluestem	1/10 to 1	3

## Soil pH Limitations

ESCORT® XP should not be used on soils having a pH above 7.9, as extended soil residual activity could extend crop rotation intervals beyond normal. Under certain conditions, ESCORT® XP could remain in the soil for 34 months or more, injuring wheat and barley. In addition, other crops planted in high-pH soils can be extremely sensitive to low concentrations of ESCORT® XP.

## Checking Soil pH

Before using ESCORT® XP, determine the soil pH of the areas of intended use. To obtain a representative pH value for the test area, take several 0" to 4" samples from different areas of the field and analyze them separately. Consult local extension publications for additional information on recommended soil sampling procedures.

## BIOASSAY

A field bioassay must be completed before rotating to any crop or grass species/variety not listed in the Rotation Intervals Table, or if the soil pH is not in the specified range, or if the use rate applied is not specified in the table.

To conduct a field bioassay, grow test strips of the crop(s) or grass(es) you plan to grow the following year in fields previously treated with ESCORT® XP. Crop or grass response to the bioassay will indicate whether or not to rotate to the crop(s) or grass(es) grown in the test strips.

If a field bioassay is planned, check with your local Agricultural dealer or DuPont representative for information detailing the field bioassay procedure.

## **GRAZING/HAYING**

There are no grazing or having restrictions for ESCORT® XP.

Coveralls, shoes plus socks must be worn if cutting within 4 hours of treatment.

## IMPORTANT PRECAUTIONS

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- When used as directed, there is no grazing or having restriction for use rates of 1 2/3 ounces per acre and less.
- Do not apply more than 1 2/3 ounces of ESCORT® XP per acre per year on rangeland.
- Grass species or varieties may differ in their response to various herbicides. DuPont recommends that you first consult your state experiment station, university, or extension agent as to sensitivity to any herbicide. If no information is available, limit the initial use of ESCORT® XP to a small area. Components in a grass seed mixture will vary in tolerance to ESCORT® XP so the final stand may not reflect the seed ratio.
- Under certain conditions such as heavy rainfall, high pH, prolonged cold weather, or wide fluctuations in day/night temperatures prior to or soon after ESCORT<sup>®</sup> XP application, temporary discoloration and/or grass injury may occur. DuPont<sup>™</sup> ESCORT<sup>®</sup> XP should not be applied to grass that is stressed by severe weather conditions, drought, low fertility, water-saturated soils, disease, or insect damage as grass injury may result. Severe winter stress, drought, disease, or insect damage before or following application also may result in grass injury.

- Applications of ESCORT® XP to rangeland undersown with legumes may cause injury to the legumes. Legumes in a seeding mixture may be severely injured or killed following an application of ESCORT® XP.
- The control of weeds in wheel track areas may be reduced if ground applications are made when dry, dusty field conditions exist. The addition of 2,4-D or MCPA should improve weed control under these conditions.
- Do not use this product in the following counties of Colorado: Saguache, Rio Grande, Alamosa, Costilla and Conejos.
- Do not use this product in California.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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