DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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

GENERAL INFORMATION

DuPont™ WESTAR™ herbicide is a dispersible granule that is mixed in water and applied as a spray for weed control in Christmas Trees, such as Douglas Fir and Fraser Fir. Consult the WESTAR™ label for list of weeds controlled, and any additional precautions or restrictions. WESTAR™ is a combination of two herbicides (hexazinone and sulfometuron methyl). The two herbicides have different weed control mechanisms.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

With no prior use experience, it is recommended that either a small area of plantings be tested for conifer species safety or contact your local DuPont representative or University Extension Service for local conifer species results with WESTAR™.

WESTAR™ herbicide may be applied by ground equipment or helicopter. For best weed control results, apply WESTAR™ pre-emergence or early postemergence (shortly after emergence) to herbaceous weeds (broadleaves and grasses).

APPLICATION TIMING

Make spray applications while trees are dormant. For new plantings, wait until rainfall has settled the soil around the base and root system of the seedlings before making the treatment. If applications are made in the spring, apply WESTAR™ prior to bud break.

APPLICATION RATES

Apply WESTAR™ at rates of 6 to 14 ounces per acre. Use the lower rate on coarse textured soils and where conifer tolerance is a concern. Use the higher rate on fine textured soils and where conifer tolerance has been determined. For best conifer safety on sites with varying soil types, make the rate selection based on the soil type with the coarsest texture -- low rate for coarse textured soils and the higher rates for fine textured soils.

In areas where harder to control weed species predominate, VELPAR® L at 0.5 to 2 pints per acre or VELPAR® DF at 0.17 to 0.67 pounds per acre may be tank mixed with WESTAR™.

SPRAY EQUIPMENT

Following a WESTAR™ application, the mixing and application equipment must only be used for forestry and non-crop applications, unless otherwise directed by supplemental labeling. This is extremely important as low rates of WESTAR™ can kill or severely injure most crops.

APPLICATION

Ground

Be sure the sprayer is calibrated prior to use. Select a spray volume and delivery system that will ensure thorough weed coverage and a uniform spray pattern. Avoid overlapping the spray pattern and shut off spray boom when starting, turning, slowing, or stopping to avoid injury to desired species.

Air (Helicopter Only)

Be sure the sprayer is calibrated prior to use. Select a spray volume and delivery system that will ensure thorough weed coverage and a uniform spray pattern. Avoid overlapping the spray pattern and shut off spray boom when starting, turning, slowing, or stopping to avoid injury to desired species.

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IMPORTANT USE PREAUTIONS
* Do not apply this product through any type of irrigation system.
* Do not use in nurseries, seedbeds or other ornamental plantings.
* Poor weed control may occur when applications are made to soils already saturated with moisture and rain occurs within 24 hours.
* Conifer injury may occur when WESTAR™ is used on trees that are suffering from loss of vigor caused by insects, diseases, drought, winter damage, animal damage, excessive soil moisture, planting shock, previous agricultural practices or other stresses; when WESTAR™ applications are made to plantings on gravelly or rocky soils.
* Do not use a surfactant when making an over-the-top application.
* When applying WESTAR™ after transplanting conifers, wait until rainfall has settled the soil around the base and root system of the seedlings before making the treatment.
* Injury to or loss of desirable trees and other plants may result if equipment is drained or flushed on or near desirable trees or other plants, or on areas where their roots may extend, or in locations where the chemical may be washed or moved into contact with their roots.
* Applications made where runoff water flows onto agricultural land may injure crops. Applications made during periods of intense rainfall, to soils saturated with water, surfaces paved with material such as asphalt or concrete, or soils through which rainfall will not readily penetrate may result in runoff and movement. Treated soil should be left undisturbed to reduce the potential for movement by soil erosion due to wind or water. Do not treat frozen soil.
* Treatment of powdery, dry soil or light, sandy soil when there is little likelihood of rainfall soon after treatment may result in off target movement and possible damage to susceptible crops as soil particles may be moved by wind or water. Injury to crops may result if treated soil is washed, blown, or moved onto land used to produce crops. Do not apply WESTAR™ when these conditions are identified and powdery, dry soil or light or sandy soil are known to be prevalent in the area to be treated. Exposure to WESTAR™ may injure or kill most crops. Injury may be more severe when the crops are irrigated.
* Do not use WESTAR™ on lawns, driveways, tennis courts, or residential or recreational areas.
* If Christmas Tree sites treated with WESTAR™ are to be converted to a food, feed or fiber agricultural crop, or to a horticultural crop, do not plant the treated site for at least one year after the last WESTAR™ application. A field bioassay must then be completed before planting to crops. To conduct a field bioassay, grow to maturity test strips of the crop(s) you plan to plant the following year. The test strips should cross the entire field including knolls and low areas. Crop response to the bioassay will indicate whether or not to plant the crop(s) grown in the test strips. In the case of suspected off-site movement of WESTAR™ to crop land, soil samples should be quantitatively analyzed by an analytical laboratory for WESTAR™ or any other herbicide that could be having an adverse effect on the crop, in addition to conducting the above-described bioassay.

IMPORTANT
BEFORE USING WESTAR™ HERBICIDE,
READ AND FOLLOW ALL APPLICABLE DIRECTIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS ON THE EPA-REGISTERED LABEL.

This bulletin contains new or supplemental instructions for use of this product which do not appear on the EPA-registered package label.

Follow the instructions carefully. This labeling must be in the possession of the user at the time of pesticide application.

Read the Limitation of Warranty and Liability on the Section 3 Federal product label before buying or using THIS product. If terms are not acceptable, return the unopened package at once to Seller for full refund of purchase price paid. Otherwise, use by Buyer or any other User constitutes acceptance of the terms of the Limitation of Warranty and Liability on the Section 3 Federal product label.

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