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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF  
PREVENTION, PESTICIDES  
AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

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Dear Mr. Martens:

Subject: Conversion from MCPP to MCPP-p  
Gordon's Triple Play  
EPA Registration Number: 2217-805  
Your Application Dated May 1, 2002

The Agency is conditionally approving an amendment to the registration for the above-referenced product under the authority of section 3(c)(7)(A) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Under this amendment the Agency is approving the conversion of the active ingredient mecoprop from its racemic form [2-(2-methyl-4-chlorophenoxy)propionic acid, or applicable salt thereof] to its single isomer form [(+)-R-2-(2-methyl-4-chlorophenoxy)propionic acid, or applicable salt thereof]. The revised labeling and Confidential Statements of Formula (CSFs) submitted in support of the conversion are acceptable with the following provisions:

1. This acceptance is based on our understanding that no changes have been made to product other than those specified within the body of your certification statement and cover letter dated May 1, 2002. No other revisions are being reviewed or considered with this action.
2. You may sell or distribute product containing the racemic form of mecoprop and bearing the previously approved labeling for 18 months from the date of this letter.
3. Update the labeling with the following corrections:
  - a. Reinstate the Storage and Disposal section on the last accepted labeling. The proposed text is only for use around a household or residence by a resident and the product must be of a size and type practicable for household use. This product, however, is for commercial use and is sold in up to 50 pound bags. See PR Notice 2001-6 which is available at this internet site:

[http://www.epa.gov/opppmsd1/PR\\_Notices/pr2001-6.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/opppmsd1/PR_Notices/pr2001-6.pdf)

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b. In the Environmental Hazards Section delete "For terrestrial uses,". Refer to PR Notice 93-8. This statement is only appropriate for pesticides which bear directions for direct application to aquatic sites.

A copy of the revised CSF (Basic Formation dated April 3, 2002) has been placed in the Agency's file for the subject product. This CSF supersedes all previously submitted CSFs for this product.

A stamped copy of the labeling is enclosed for your records. Submit one (1) copy of your final printed labeling before you release the product for shipment

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Mr. James Stone at 703-305-7391.

Sincerely yours,



Joanne I. Miller  
Product Manager (23)  
Herbicide Branch  
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# GORDON'S TRIPLE PLAY

Not for use on turf being grown for sale or other commercial use as sod, or for commercial seed production, or for research purposes.

## ACTIVE INGREDIENTS:

2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid.....	1.37%
(+)-(R)-2-(2-methyl-4-chlorophenoxy)propionic acid.....	0.31%
Dicamba: 3,6-dichloro-o-anisic acid.....	0.13%
INERT INGREDIENTS.....	98.19%

TOTAL 100.00%

## THIS PRODUCT CONTAINS:

- 27.4 lbs. 2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic acid equivalent per ton.
  - 6.2 lbs. 2-(2-methyl-4-chlorophenoxy) propionic acid equivalent per ton.
  - 2.6 lbs. Dicamba: 3,6-dichloro-o-anisic acid equivalent per ton.
- Isomer Specific by AOAC Methods  
 Contains the single isomer form of Mecoprop-p.  
 TRIMEC® is a registered trademark of PBI/GORDON CORPORATION.

**ACCEPTED  
with COMMENTS  
In EPA Letter Dated:**

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**Under the Federal Insecticide,  
Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act,  
as amended, for the pesticide  
registered under EPA Reg. No.**

## KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

## CAUTION

### Statement of Practical Treatment

~~IF ON SKIN: Wash skin with plenty of soap and water. Get medical attention.~~

~~IF IN EYES: Flush with plenty of water. Call a physician if irritation persists.~~

See back panel for additional Precautionary Statements.

**NET WEIGHT 20 POUNDS**

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EPA REG. NO. 2217-805 Amend

EPA EST. NO. 2217-KS-1

MANUFACTURED BY:



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**READ THE ENTIRE LABEL FIRST. OBSERVE ALL PRECAUTIONS AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS CAREFULLY.**

**PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS**

**Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals**

**CAUTION:** Causes eye irritation. Harmful if swallowed or absorbed through skin. Do not inhale dust. Do not allow contact with skin, eyes, or clothing. When using this product, wear long-sleeved shirt, long pants, gloves, socks and shoes. After using this product, remove clothing and launder separately before reuse, and promptly and thoroughly wash hands and exposed skin with soap and water.

**First Aid**

<b>If in eyes:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15 - 20 minutes.</li> <li>• Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye.</li> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>
<b>If on skin or clothing:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take off contaminated clothing.</li> <li>• Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15 - 20 minutes.</li> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>
<b>If swallowed:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice.</li> <li>• Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow.</li> <li>• Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control center or doctor.</li> <li>• Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.</li> </ul>
<b>If inhaled:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Move person to fresh air.</li> <li>• If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably by mouth-to-mouth, if possible.</li> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>
<p>Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor or going for treatment. For additional information in case of emergency, call toll free 1-877-800-5556.</p>	

**ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS:**

Drift or runoff may adversely affect nontarget plants. For terrestrial uses 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.

Most cases of groundwater contamination involving phenoxy herbicides such as 2,4-D and MCPP have been associated with mixing/loading and disposal sites. Caution should be exercised when handling 2,4-D and MCPP pesticides at such sites to prevent contamination of ground water supplies. Use of closed systems for mixing or transferring this pesticide will reduce the probability of spills. Placement of the mixing/loading equipment on an impervious pad to contain spills will help prevent groundwater contamination. When cleaning equipment, do not pour the washwater on the ground; spray or drain over a large area away from wells and other water sources.

**DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

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

Do not allow people (other than applicator) or pets on treatment area during application. Do not enter treatment area until spray has dried or dust has settled.

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### STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal.

**STORAGE:** Store in original container and keep any bags containing unused product in a locked storage area inaccessible to children and domestic animals.

~~**PESTICIDE DISPOSAL:** Pesticide wastes are toxic. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray mixture, or rinsate is a violation of Federal law and may contaminate groundwater. If these wastes cannot be disposed of by use according to label instructions, contact your State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency, or the Hazardous Waste representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance.~~

~~**CONTAINER DISPOSAL:** For Paper and Plastic Bags Completely empty bag into application equipment. Then dispose of empty bag in a sanitary landfill, or by incineration, or if allowed by State and local authorities by burning. If burned stay out of smoke.~~

**If empty:** Do not reuse this container. Place in trash or offer for recycling if available.

**If partially filled:** Call your local solid waste agency or toll free number (1-800-CLEANUP) for disposal instructions. Never place unused product down any indoor or outdoor drain.

### WHERE TO USE:

Gordon's Triple Play is a Trimec® herbicide containing 2,4-D, mecoprop, and dicamba. Gordon's Triple Play is intended to be applied by commercial applicators, non-commercial users, lawn care operators, and landscape personnel. Cool season and warm season grasses established in institutional, ornamental, and residential sites may be treated.

Institutional sites are defined as turf areas around properties or facilities providing a service to public or private organizations; for example areas around hospitals, nursing homes, schools, museums, libraries, sport facilities (including golf courses) and office buildings may be treated. Ornamental sites include turfgrass established around residences, parks, streets, retail outlets, cemeteries, and institutional buildings. Finally, residential sites are defined as areas associated with the household or home life including, but not limited to apartment complexes, condominiums, and patient care areas of nursing homes, mental institutions, hospitals, or convalescent homes.

Established turf of cool season grasses include Kentucky bluegrass, perennial ryegrass, tall fescue, and turf-type fescues. Also, Gordon's Triple Play may be applied to newly seeded cool season turfgrass. Applications are recommended only after the third mowing or after the grass seedlings have been tillered and have developed an adequate secondary root system.

Established turf of warm season grasses include bermudagrass and zoysiagrass.

Do not apply this product on bentgrass, carpetgrass, dichondra, St. Augustinegrass, or established turf containing desirable clovers.

A uniform distribution of product on the treated area is essential. Do not exceed the specified application rate for any area and use care in the application of this product within the dripline of trees, shrubs, and other ornamentals.

### WEEDS CONTROLLED:

Dandelion, chickweed, plantains, and clover are controlled effectively with Gordon's Triple Play. A partial list of susceptible weeds is shown below.

Bedstraw	Dock	Pigweed
Black Medic	Ground Ivy	Plantains
Buckhorn	Healall	Purslane
Burdock	Henbit	Ragweed
Chicory	Knotweed	Sheep Sorrel
Chickweed	Lambsquarters	Shepherdspurse
Clover	Morningglory	Speedwell
Dandelion	Peppergrass	Thistle

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**HOW MUCH TO APPLY:**

Apply 87 pounds of Gordon's Triple Play per acre of established turfgrass. Or, the equivalent application rate is 2.0 pounds of product per 1,000 square feet of turfgrass.

The maximum application rate to turf is 1.2 pounds 2,4-D acid equivalent per acre per application per site. The maximum number of broadcast applications per treatment site is 2 per year.

Sequential or follow-up applications may be required for dense infestations of perennial and biennial weeds. Also, adverse environmental conditions prior or after application may reduce the effectiveness. If required, the treatment interval between the first and second applications should be approximately 30 days.

Drop spreaders, rotary spreaders, and other granular equipment should be calibrated for accurate and uniform applications of this product. Calibrate the equipment by applying the product over a measured or known area and adjust the equipment according to the recommendations of the equipment manufacturer. Refer to the rate table for the appropriate bag sizes and the area to be treated.

Note to Supplemental Registrants: Select the appropriate bag size and present only the information provided for that bag size on your product labeling.

**Treated Area For This Bag Size**

Bag Size, Pounds	Desired Rate Per Acre, Pounds	Desired Rate Per 1000 Square Feet, Pounds	Treated Area For This Bag Size	
			Acres	Square Feet
15	87	2.0	-----	7,500
16	87	2.0	-----	8,000
17	87	2.0	-----	8,500
18	87	2.0	-----	9,000
20	87	2.0	-----	10,000
30	87	2.0	0.34	15,000
40	87	2.0	0.46	20,000
45	87	2.0	0.52	22,500
50	87	2.0	0.57	25,000

**Optional:** Equipment settings of drop spreaders, rotary spreaders, and other granular applicators may be presented on the container labels as requested by supplemental registrants.

**APPLICATION SUGGESTIONS**

1. Spring and fall applications are recommended for the best control. However, Gordon's Triple Play can be applied any time broadleaf weeds are present and actively growing.
2. Mow the turfgrass 2 to 3 days before application.
3. Water the turfgrass thoroughly (>½ inch) at least 1 to 2 days before application.
4. Schedule applications in the morning when dew is present. Or, sprinkle or irrigate lightly (<¼ inch) before application to provide maximum control.
5. Rainfall or irrigation within 24 hours after application may reduce the effectiveness. Do not irrigate or water the turfgrass within 24 hours after application.

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**LIMITED WARRANTY AND DISCLAIMER.**

The manufacturer warrants only that the chemical composition of this product conforms to the ingredient statement given on the label, and that the product is reasonably suited for the labeled use when applied according to the Directions for Use.

THE MANUFACTURER NEITHER MAKES NOR INTENDS ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, WHICH ARE EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMED. This limited warranty does not extend to the use of the product inconsistent with label instructions, warnings or cautions, or to use of the product under abnormal conditions such as drought, excessive rainfall, tornadoes, hurricanes, etc. These factors are beyond the control of the manufacturer or the seller. Any damages arising from a breach of the manufacturer's warranty shall be limited to direct damages, and shall not include indirect or consequential damages such as loss of profits or values, except as otherwise provided by law.

The terms of this Limited Warranty and Disclaimer cannot be varied by any written or verbal statements or agreements. No employee or agent of the seller is authorized to vary or exceed the terms of this Limited Warranty and Disclaimer in any manner.

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**APPENDIX**

**I. Advertising Claims**

- ◆ Twenty Pounds Covers up to 10,000 Square Feet.
- ◆ Controls Dandelion, Chickweed, Knotweed, Plantains, Henbit, Spurge, and many other broadleaf weeds.

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