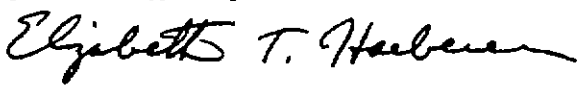
	U. S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Office of Pesticide Programs Registration Division (H7505C) 401 "M" St., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20460	EPA Reg. Number:  3125-501	Date of Issuance:  December 18, 1997  DEC 18 1997
	NOTICE OF PESTICIDE:  <u>  x  </u> Registration  <u>      </u> Reregistration	Term of Issuance:  Conditional	
		Name of Pesticide Product:  Merit RTU Insecticide	
Under FIFRA, as amended			
Name and Address of Registrant (include ZIP Code): Bayer Corporation, 8400 Hawthorn Road, P.O. Box 4913, Kansas City, MO 64126-0013.			
<p>Note: Changes in labeling differing in substance from that accepted in connection with this registration must be submitted to and accepted by the Registration Division prior to use of the label in commerce. In any correspondence on this product always refer to the above EPA registration number.</p>			
<p>On the basis of information furnished by the registrant, the above named pesticide is hereby registered/reregistered under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act.</p> <p>Registration is in no way to be construed as an endorsement or recommendation of this product by the Agency. In order to protect health and the environment, the Administrator, on his motion, may at any time suspend or cancel the registration of a pesticide in accordance with the Act. The acceptance of any name in connection with the registration of a product under this Act is not to be construed as giving the registrant a right to exclusive use of the name or to its use if it has been covered by others.</p> <p>This product is conditionally registered in accordance with FIFRA sec. 3(c)(7)(A) provided that you:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Submit and/or cite all data required for registration/reregistration of your product under FIFRA sec. 3(c)(5) when the Agency requires all registrants of similar products to submit such data; and submit acceptable responses required for reregistration of your product under FIFRA section 4.</li><li>2. Change the label by revising the EPA Registration Number to read, "EPA Reg. No. 3125-501".</li><li>3. Submit two copies of the revised final printed label for the record.</li></ol> <p>If these conditions are not complied with, the registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA sec. 6(e). Your release for shipment of the product constitutes acceptance of these conditions.</p> <p>A stamped copy of the label is enclosed for your records.</p>			
Signature of Approving Official:  		Date:  December 18, 1997	

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U.S. LABEL

Base Pre-Reg (9073)

Reason to Issue: To introduce new product. Draft Dated  
12/01/97: To revise in accordance with EPA comments.

Date of Pre-Reg Draft: 12/01/97 (S)  
Supersedes Pre-Reg Draft Dated: 07/24/97

# Merit® RTU

## Insecticide

### Product Description

MERIT RTU is a highly effective insecticide designed to kill insect pests on

- flowers
- roses
- ground covers
- shrubs
- house plants

### Ingredients

#### ACTIVE INGREDIENT:

Imidacloprid .....	0.012 %
OTHER INGREDIENTS* .....	99.988 %
	100.00 %

- \* Other ingredients are: Purified water, glycerin (to help keep from freezing) and surfactants (to keep the active ingredient dispersed in water).

Net Contents: 24 fl oz

### EPA Registration Information

EPA Reg. No. 3125-LNR

EPA Est. No. XXXX-AA-1

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**STOP - Read This Entire Label Before Use**  
**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

**FOR RESIDENTIAL USE ONLY**

## CAUTION

### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Possible Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals

- May be harmful if swallowed.
- Causes eye irritation.
- Avoid breathing spray mist.
- Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling.

### First Aid

The table below describes the first aid procedures for incidents involving MERIT RTU.

IN THE CASE OF ACCIDENTAL...	IMMEDIATELY...
swallowing	If the person is able to swallow: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Have them sip 1 to 2 glassfuls of water.</li><li>• Call a doctor or poison control center for further treatment advice.</li></ul>
contact with eyes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water.</li><li>• Continue to rinse eye for 10 to 15 minutes.</li><li>• Call a doctor if irritation persists.</li></ul>
<b>NOTE:</b> When calling poison control center, have this product label accessible. If seeking treatment at an emergency room or doctor's office, bring this product label to show medical personnel. You may call 800-414-0244 for medical emergency information. Active Ingredient: Imidacloprid [CAS # 138261-41-3]	

**Note to Physician:** No specific antidote is available. Treat the patient symptomatically.

ACCEPTED  
with COMMENTS  
in EPA Letter Dated

DEC 18 1997

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

3125-501

# MERIT RTU

## Environmental Hazards

- This pesticide is highly toxic to aquatic invertebrates. Do not apply directly to water.
- This pesticide is highly toxic to bees. Do not apply MERIT RTU when bees are active.
- Apply this product only as specified on this label.

## DIRECTIONS FOR USE

### IMPORTANT:

#### Follow Label Directions

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. For best results, be sure to read and follow all label directions.

## Responsible Use

To use responsibly, follow these guidelines when applying MERIT RTU:

- Apply the product to flowering plants during early morning or late evening, when bees are not present.
- Do not spray the product into fish pools, ponds, streams, or lakes.
- Keep children and pets away from treated areas until spray has dried.
- Do not use in small, enclosed areas where spray may be inhaled.
- Do not apply to fruits or vegetables used for food.

## How to Apply

ORNAMENTAL PLANT APPLICATIONS (Flowers, Roses, Ground Covers, Shrubs, and House Plants)		
PESTS		APPLICATION GUIDELINES
Adelgids	Leafminers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apply when pests or damage first appear.</li> <li>• Hold about 12 inches from plant, and thoroughly spray plant leaves and foliage to the point of runoff.</li> <li>• Works best if treatments are started before high insect populations occur.</li> <li>• Reapply at 7 to 14 days, if needed.</li> </ul>
Aphids	Mealybugs	
Elm leaf beetle	Sawfly larvae	
Lacebugs	Thrips	
Leafhoppers	Whiteflies	

## IMPORTANT: Directions for Storage and Disposal

### Storage Conditions

Store MERIT RTU in an area out of reach of children, preferably a locked storage cabinet. Do not allow product to freeze.

### Disposal

- Do not reuse empty spray bottle.
- Rinse the empty product container thoroughly
- Place container in trash.

**Important:** It is best to use all of the product in accordance with label directions. If it is necessary to dispose of unused product, please follow all state and local guidelines.

## NOTICE

Research and testing has determined that the "Directions for Use" are appropriate for the proper use of MERIT RTU under expected conditions. The Buyer assumes responsibility for lack of performance or safety if not used according to the directions.