

**PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS  
HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND  
DOMESTIC ANIMALS**

**DANGER**

**DANGER: Convulsive Poison!** Fatal if swallowed or inhaled. Harmful if absorbed through skin. Do not get in eyes or on clothing. Avoid contact with skin. Do not breathe dust. Do not apply this product in a way that will contact any person or pet. Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet. Remove contaminated clothing and wash clothing before reuse.

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)**

Applicators and other handlers must wear:

- long-sleeved shirt and pants,
- cotton gloves, and
- shoes plus socks.

When loading more than 3 lbs. (1.4 kg) of bait into mechanical application equipment and when disposing of non-rigid containers (e.g., bags), handlers must wear:

- long sleeved shirt and pants,
- waterproof gloves,
- shoes plus socks,
- goggles or face shield, and
- dust/mist filtering respirator (MSHA/NIOSH approval number prefix TC-21C), or a NIOSH approved respirator with any N, P, R, or HE (HEPA, high frequency particulate aerosol) filter.

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

**USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS**

Remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Wash thoroughly before putting on clean clothes.

Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. Wash the outside of waterproof gloves before removing. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

**ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS**

This product is toxic to fish, birds and other wildlife. Do not allow bait to be exposed on soil surface. 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 by the cleaning of equipment or the disposal of wastes. Do not

**0.5% STRYCHNINE  
BAIT FOR HAND-BAITING POCKETS  
AND GOPHERS**

Active Ingredient:

Strychnine alkaloid: ..... 0.5%

Inert Ingredients: ..... 99.5%

TOTAL: ..... 100.0%

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

**DANGER-PELIGRO  
POISON**



**FIRST AID**

**IF SWALLOWED: CALL A PHYSICIAN OR POISON CONTROL CENTER IMMEDIATELY.** If less than ten (10) minutes have passed since the poison was taken, give 1 or 2 glasses of water and induce vomiting by touching the back of the throat with finger. Repeat until vomit fluid is clear. Have victim lie down in a quiet, darkened room and keep victim warm and quiet. If victim is unconscious, do not give anything by mouth and do not induce vomiting.

**IF INHALED:** Remove victim to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention.

**IF IN EYES:** Hold eyelids open and flush with steady, gentle stream of water for 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

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

**HOT LINE NUMBER**

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. For leaks, fire, and medical emergencies only, call 1-800-535-5053.

**NOTE TO PHYSICIAN**

- Administer 100% OXYGEN by positive pressure to provide as much pulmonary gas exchange as possible, despite seizures.
- Administer ANTICONVULSANT DRUGS intravenously to control convulsions.

**NOTICE:** It may be difficult or impossible to stop the seizure activity without stopping respiration. Be prepared to maintain pulmonary ventilation mechanically. Tracheotomy may be necessary if seizures are prolonged.

SEE SIDE PANELS FOR ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

**ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSIDERATIONS**

**NOTICE:** The killing of an endangered species during strychnine baiting operations may result in a fine and/or imprisonment under the Endangered Species Act. Before baiting, the user is advised to contact the regional U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Endangered Species Specialist) or the local Fish and Game Office for specific information on endangered species. Strychnine baits should not be used in the geographic ranges of the following species except under programs and procedures approved by the US EPA: California Condor, San Joaquin Kit Fox, Morro Bay Kangaroo Rat, Gray Wolf, Grizzly Bear and Salt Marsh Harvest Mouse.

**STORAGE AND DISPOSAL**

**DO NOT CONTAMINATE WATER, FOOD, OR FEED BY STORAGE OR DISPOSAL.**

**PESTICIDE STORAGE:** Store only in original container, in a dry place inaccessible to children, pets and domestic animals.

**PESTICIDE DISPOSAL:** Pesticide wastes are acutely hazardous. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spilled bait, or rinsate is a violation of Federal Law. 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:** Completely empty by shaking and tapping sides and bottom to loosen clinging particles. Empty residue into application equipment. Then dispose of bags in a sanitary landfill or by incineration if allowed by State and local authorities.

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## DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. Sale, distribution and use of this product must be in accordance with the provisions of the final order on Strychnine by the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

### USE RESTRICTIONS

This product may be only be used in manual, below-ground applications to pocket gophers' burrow systems located in rangelands, pastures, croplands, forests, and non-agricultural areas to control plains pocket gophers (*Geomys bursarius*), desert pocket gophers (*Geomys arenarius*), yellow-faced pocket gophers (*Pappogeomys castanops*), northern pocket gophers (*Thomomys talpoides*), southern pocket gophers (*Thomomys umbrinus*), Mazama pocket gophers (*Thomomys mazama*), mountain pocket gophers (*Thomomys monticola*), Townsend's pocket gophers (*Thomomys townsendii*), valley pocket gophers (*Thomomys bottae*), and Camas pocket gophers (*Thomomys bulbivorus*). Bait must be placed directly into pocket gophers' underground burrow systems. Do not apply this product by use of a mechanical burrow builder. Do not apply this product at residential sites.

Do not apply this product above ground level, to the ground surface or on any food or feed crop. Do not apply this product in a way that will contact workers, other persons, or domestic animals. Keep pets and other people out of the area during application.

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**BAITING:** Make at least two baits sets per active burrow system. Additional sets, up to seven per system, may be needed for systems with large numbers of mounds. Depending upon pocket gopher population levels, one pound of bait will treat one to eight acres when applied by hand. Apply this product using either of the methods described below.

**Probe Method:** Pocket gophers' fan-shaped dirt mounds have a horseshoe-shaped depression or burrow plug on the flat side of the fan. Locate gophers' main underground runway by using a gopher-probe product, a rod, or a smooth strong stick to probe the ground surrounding the mound. Begin probing on the plug side, about a foot away from the mound. The optimum probing distance may vary from species to species and place to place. When soil resistance against the probe decreases abruptly, the main runway has been entered.

Remove probe and enlarge probe hole slightly if necessary to accommodate baiting. Deposit one teaspoonful of bait through probe hole and into main runway. If a bait-dispensing probe is used, deposit a teaspoon amount of bait through the probe before removing it. Cover probe hole with dirt and other materials, taking care not to let soil cover bait. Immediately collect and remove any bait that spills on the ground surface.

**Lateral Tunnel Method:** Remove plug from the flat side of the burrow fan. Using a long-handled spoon, insert one teaspoonful of bait into the main runway system. Close the tunnel with soil. Do not permit soil to cover bait. Immediately collect and remove any bait that spills on the ground surface.

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