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Subject: Amended Master Label and Supplemental Label for Control of Annual Grasses and Broadleaf Weeds with Aerial Application in Rangeland and Permanent Pastures  
Spike 80 DF  
EPA Reg. No. 62719-107  
Date Submitted: February 14, 2013

Dear Dr. Jachetta:

The master and supplemental labeling referred to above, submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended are acceptable.

This supplemental label expires on December 31, 2015 and must not be used or distributed after that date. Amended master labeling will supersede all previously accepted ones. A stamped copy of labeling is enclosed for your records. The supplemental label must be incorporated into the master label within 18 months of the date of this letter.

A stamped copy of your labels is enclosed for your records. If you have any questions, please contact Maggie Rudick at (703) 347-0257 or [rudick.maggie@epa.gov](mailto:rudick.maggie@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kable Bo Davis".

Kable Bo Davis  
Product Manager 25  
Herbicide Branch  
Registration Division (7505P)

# Spike<sup>®</sup> 80DF

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## Registration Notes:

Note: this version contains additional revision per EPA email and discussion with John Jachetta dated February 21, 2013. The following changes were made:

1. Add Resistance Management grouping number.
2. Add Resistance Management Guidelines.

Note: this version contains additional revision per EPA email and discussion with John Jachetta dated January 15, 2013. The following changes were made:

1. Per EPA email dated January 3, 2013, add the statement "Do not apply this product in a way that will contact workers or other persons, either directly or through drift. Only protected handlers may be in the area during application. For any requirements specific to your State or Tribe, consult the agency responsible for pesticide regulation."
2. Divide the section "Use Precautions and Restrictions" into "Use Precautions" and "Use Restrictions"
3. Change "should" to "must" under Precautions for Avoid Spray Drift
4. Change "should" to "must" under subsections "Application Height", "Wind", and "Temperature Inversions."
5. Revise "in such non-cropland areas as" to "in the following non-cropland areas" under Non-Cropland Total Vegetation Control section.
6. Update trademark references.

**Source section 3 labeling** based on EPA accepted copy dated May 19, 2005 and Notifications dated May 15, 2006, December 5, 2006 and September 24, 2007. Following are changes by amendment:

1. Per EPA letter dated September 25, 2012, remove "recommended language.
2. Update trademark references
3. Add street address and add "Produced for" to company address
4. Remove reference to company website
5. Revise Storage and Disposal per PR Notice 2007-4
6. Remove Spanish signal word
7. Revise warranty section

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(Base label):

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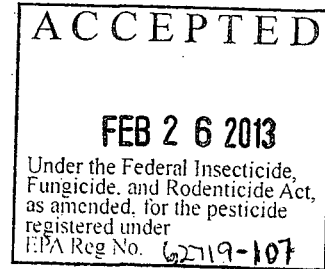
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Other Ingredients .....	20.0%
Total .....	100.0%

Contains 20 pounds active ingredient per 25 pound bag.

**Keep Out of Reach of Children**

### CAUTION



#### Precautionary Statements

##### Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals

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### Environmental Hazards

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Do not apply directly to water, 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 washwater or rinsate.

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**Vulnerable Sites:** To minimize any movement of tebuthiuron to subsurface water, do not exceed the application rates specified below on treatment sites where soils have a sand or loamy sand texture throughout the soil profile and **all** of the following characteristics:

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3. The water table of an underlying aquifer<sup>†</sup> is shallow.

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**Resistance Management Guidelines**

- Development of plant populations resistant to this herbicide mode of action is usually not a problem on rangeland, permanent grass pastures, Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), or non-cropland sites since these sites receive infrequent pesticide applications.
- In croplands, use an effective integrated pest management (IPM) program, integrating tillage or other mechanical methods, crop rotation or other cultural control methods into weed control programs whenever practical.
- Similar looking biotypes of a given weed species occurring in a treated area may vary in their susceptibility to a herbicide. Application of a herbicide below its labeled rate may allow more tolerant weeds to survive and a shift to more tolerant biotypes within the treated area.
- Where identified, spreading of resistant weeds to other fields may be prevented by cleaning harvesting and tillage equipment before moving to other areas and by planting weed-free seed.
- Contact your extension specialist, certified crop consultant, or Dow AgroSciences representative for the latest resistance management information.

## Product Information

Spike 80DF is a surface applied, soil-active product intended for total vegetation control in non-cropland and for woody plant control in non-cropland, rangeland and permanent pastures. Applied as a broadcast treatment, Spike 80DF is generally non-selective to (will control) annual grasses, annual and perennial broadleaves and broadleaf woody plants. Perennial warm-season grasses are generally tolerant to Spike 80DF, but may exhibit injury during the season following application. Cool season perennial grasses are not tolerant to broadcast applications of this product except at rates less than 0.5 lb active ingredient. Applied as a banded treatment, Spike 80DF may be used to control woody plants in non-cropland, rangeland and pasture sites. With banded treatments, effects on herbaceous vegetation are confined mainly to the treated band, but may last more than one growing season. Apply in dormant season and keep the treated band as narrow as possible to minimize herbicidal effects on perennial grasses and to lessen effects on other herbaceous plants.

Treatments become effective after sufficient rainfall has occurred to move the active ingredient in Spike 80DF into the root zone. Herbicidal symptoms appear most rapidly when applied just before seasonal rainfall. Susceptible herbaceous plants exhibit leaf chlorosis followed by browning before the plant dies. Woody plants exhibit leaf chlorosis and browning followed by defoliation. Woody plants may undergo several defoliation cycles, usually following significant rainfall before death occurs. Time required to achieve control of woody vegetation depends on susceptibility of target species, rainfall and soil conditions and may vary from a single growing season to several years. Lack of rainfall will delay herbicidal activity and lengthen the time required for control.

For best woody plant control results with Spike 80DF, do not disturb intact plants by practices such as wood cutting, chaining, or burning for two years after application. Resprouting or survival of woody plants is more likely to occur if plants are disturbed before complete control occurs.

## Use Precautions

Spike 80DF is an extremely active herbicide which will kill trees, shrubs, and other forms of desirable vegetation having roots extending into the treated area. Feeder roots of many species of desirable vegetation extend many feet beyond the drip line of the branches, and a very small amount of Spike 80DF in contact with one feeder root of a tree, shrub, or other desirable vegetation may cause serious injury or death to the entire plant.

Exposure of even a small part of a plant root system to Spike 80DF may cause severe plant injury or death. Plant roots usually occupy an area much larger than the aerial portion of the plant. Treatment setback distance should be 2 times the height or width of adjacent non-target vegetation, whichever is greater. For example, if adjacent non-target vegetation is 25 feet tall, the treatment setback should be 50 feet.

An Arboriculturist (tree expert) should be consulted to help you to determine if the area of proposed application is free of all roots of desirable vegetation. The effect of Spike 80DF on desirable vegetation may be irreversible and its presence in the soil may prevent growth of other desirable vegetation for some years after application.

## Use Restrictions

Read the entire label *before* using Spike 80DF to determine if this product is suitable for the desired purpose.

**Not for sale, distribution, or use in Nassau and Suffolk Counties in New York State**

**This product is not registered in the state of Florida.**

**Treatment Setback:** Do not apply Spike 80DF in the vicinity of desirable plants.

Do not use Spike 80DF on areas such as walks, driveways, streets, lawns, patios, tennis courts, swimming pools, cemeteries, or other landscaped areas, or under asphalt or concrete pavement where future landscaping is planned. Do not apply on field crops. Do not apply on any area into which the roots of field crops or other desirable vegetation may extend. **Roots of trees, shrubs, and other desirable vegetation may extend far beyond the drip line of the plant's branches.**

Avoid non-target drift or product movement. Do not apply when winds are gusty or under any other condition which will allow drift or product movement. Do not apply to areas where soil movement by water erosion and/or natural or mechanical means is likely. Avoid treatment of areas susceptible to wind erosion such as single grain sands or disturbed soils that are loose and powdery dry. Under these conditions, treatment should be delayed until the soil surface has been stabilized by rainfall or irrigation. Before treatment of sandy soils in areas subject to wind erosion, the soil surface should first be stabilized with gravel mulch or other means of preventing physical movement of surface soil. Drift or any form of product movement from treated areas may cause damage to any vegetation to which treatment is not intended.

**Do not apply Spike 80DF to interior ditchbanks (areas which slope toward the drainage).** Do not apply to ditches used to transport irrigation or potable water.

Thoroughly clean all traces of Spike 80DF from application equipment after use. **Do not empty residues cleaned from application equipment on areas where they may come in contact with the roots of desirable vegetation or the water source for such vegetation.**

Spike 80DF may injure or suppress certain herbaceous vegetation in the treated area. Therefore, do not apply where such injury cannot be tolerated. Do not apply broadcast applications of Spike 80DF where forage or maintenance of a grass cover is desired. Injury to most herbaceous perennials is reduced if Spike 80DF is applied when this vegetation is dormant.

**Grazing Haying Restrictions**

If the treated area is to be used for haying, do not apply more than 5 pounds per acre of Spike 80DF, and do not apply the product more than once a year. There are no grazing restrictions following application of Spike 80DF at labeled rates.

**Haying Restriction:** In areas receiving band or individual plant treatments of 5 pounds per acre or less of Spike 80DF, grass may be cut for hay one year after application.

**Frequency of Application and Maximum Use Rates**

Vegetation Control by Ground Broadcast or Banded Application:

- The maximum use rate and frequency of application is 1.25 to 2.5 lb of Spike 80DF (1 to 2 lb a.i.) per acre once every three years for vulnerable sites where soils are sandy and depth to water table is shallow. (Refer to Environmental Hazards section under Use Restrictions for Ground Water Protection.)
- For all other areas, the maximum use rate and frequency of application is up to 5 lb of Spike 80DF (4 lb a.i.) per acre once every three years; and no more than two treatments totaling 7.5 lb of Spike 80DF (6 lb a.i.) per acre in any 6 year period.

Total Vegetation Control and Maintenance of Bare Ground by Ground Broadcast Only: The maximum use rate and frequency of application is up to 5 lb of Spike 80DF (4 lb a.i.) per acre applied only once per year; however, no more than 7.5 lb of Spike 80DF (6 lb a.i.) per acre may be applied in any 3 year period.

Spot Treatments (Hand-held Equipment): May be applied at rates up to 7.5 lb of Spike 80DF (6 lb a.i.) per acre when needed.

### **Rotation of Treated Areas to Plants other than Forage Grasses**

**It is intended that Spike 80DF be applied only to rangeland, permanent pastures and non-cropland areas that will not be rotated to crop production, or other use involving planting or transplanting of herbaceous or woody plants susceptible to tebuthiuron. Do not** rotate areas treated with this product to any seeded crop, planted or transplanted plant species other than forage grasses until an adequately sensitive field bioassay demonstrates that the level of tebuthiuron present in the soil will not adversely affect such plantings.

**Field Bioassay Instructions:** In areas where tebuthiuron was previously applied, plant test rows of the intended rotational crop or plant species across the original direction of application in a manner to sample variability in field conditions such as soil texture, soil organic matter, soil pH, or drainage. The field bioassay can be initiated one or more years following application of this product to rangeland, permanent pastures or non-crop areas. Observe the test planting for symptoms of herbicidal activity, such as poor stand (failure to establish) chlorosis (yellowing), and necrosis (dead leaves or shoots), or stunting (reduced growth). Observe of the test planting for an entire use season to evaluate the full range of conditions that may give rise to herbicidal symptoms. If herbicidal symptoms do not occur, the test crop or plant species can be grown. Practices that may hasten the degradation of tebuthiuron are establishment of perennial warm season grasses which are effective in the removal and metabolism of soil residues and supplemental irrigation.

### **Mixing Directions**

Thorough mixing and continuous agitation are important to ensure uniform application. Fill the spray tank half-full of water. Start agitation and continue agitation during entire mixing and spraying operation. Add the required amount of Spike 80DF and allow it to mix thoroughly while completing the spray tank filling. If additional product is a liquid, add slowly while filling remainder of tank with water.

Material must be kept in suspension at all times by continuous agitation. If bypass (hydraulic) agitation is used, the return flow should terminate at the bottom of the mixing tank to minimize foaming. Check the sprayer frequently before and during use to insure proper calibration and uniform application.

Use a master shut-off switch for the entire spraying system and nozzle check valves on commercial spray equipment.

If hand held or back pack type sprayers are used, determine the amount of water and chemical necessary to cover uniformly the area to be treated. Shake vigorously after filling and periodically during application to maintain product in suspension.

### **Application Methods**

#### **Broadcast Application**

Apply Spike 80DF in a spray volume of 5 or more-gallons of water per acre by ground. Apply before or during the period of active growth of plants to be controlled. Initial control is enhanced by rainfall.

In areas of low annual rainfall (less than 15 inches per year) Spike 80DF should be applied prior to the time of year when the predominant portion of that rainfall occurs. A minimum of 1 to 1 1/2 inches of rainfall is required to activate Spike 80DF and place it in the zone of weed seed germination.

Other products registered for use on the site to be treated may be applied in tank mix combination with Spike 80DF to provide broader spectrum weed control or provide initial top kill of existing vegetation. Consult the manufacturer's label for additional weeds controlled, directions for use, cautions and limitations before use. See detailed information for tank mixing in the Product Information section of this label.

#### **Banded Application (Ground Application Only)**

Banded applications of Spike 80DF allow for woody plant control and preservation of grasses and other desirable herbaceous vegetation in rangeland and permanent pastures and in non-cropland areas (such as utility, railroad, and pipeline rights-of-way and fencerows). In banded applications, the rate per acre is equivalent to the broadcast rate, but the herbicide is concentrated into individual herbicide bands spaced 4 to 10 feet apart. Banded applications may be made using a spray volume of 5 or more gallons per acre. Actual herbicide bands should be kept as narrow as possible during application to minimize potential injury or loss of herbaceous vegetation. In areas such as brush-infested fencerows, a single band may be applied. Control is dependent upon root systems intercepting the herbicide in soil beneath treated bands.

Band spacing should be selected based on the size of the woody plants in the area to be treated and the amount of injury or loss of herbaceous vegetation that can be tolerated. Where control of young or seedling woody plants is desired, bands should be spaced closer together. This will achieve maximum exposure to their limited root systems. Where larger more mature woody plants are to be controlled, bands should be spaced at the wider end of the specified spacing range.

In addition to allowing adequate exposure of the more extensive root systems of these larger woody species for control, use of the wider spacings will further reduce injury or loss of herbaceous vegetation within the treated band.

Within the treated band nearly all vegetation, woody and herbaceous, will be killed. Some herbaceous vegetation close to the treated band with roots extending into it may be severely injured or killed. However, since root systems of herbaceous plants are less extensive most plants outside the treated band are unaffected.

When banded applications are made in an area where straight stream nozzles are positioned more than 5 feet above the soil surface or where woody plant foliage is dense, breakup of individual nozzle streams may occur. If conditions do not permit delivery of intact nozzle streams to the soil surface, efficacy may be reduced and injury of herbaceous vegetation will increase. For this reason, apply in the dormant season when there is minimum foliage present. To avoid breakup of individual nozzle streams by interfering vegetation, applicators may also employ mechanical means to position spray nozzles close to the soil surface such as protected drop nozzles or nozzles mounted at the end of weighted bars which maintain constant contact the soil surface.

**Fencerow Applications:** For fencerow applications, a single spray band will cover a fencerow 4 to 10 feet wide. Use a rate appropriate to control the most difficult species to control in the fencerow. Use a straight stream nozzle and direct the nozzle stream at the soil surface in the center of the fencerow. For fencerows wider than 10 feet, separate bands may be applied on either side of the fencerow.

**Rate example:** Assuming the desired rate of Spike 80DF is 5 pounds per acre and the fencerow is 10 feet wide, a one 5-pound bag of Spike 80DF will treat 4356<sup>†</sup> linear feet of fencerow. Determine the delivery rate for the nozzle at the desired spray pressure and the walking speed of the applicator. If the length of the area to be treated is 4356 ft long and the walking speed is 3 mph (264 ft/minute) it would take 16.5 minutes to walk the length of the treatment area. If the delivery rate of the nozzle is 0.6 gallons per minute, the treatment would require approximately 10 gallons (0.6 gallon per minute X 16.5 minute = 10 gallons) of spray solution.



† 1 acre = 43560 sq ft (43560 sq ft ÷ 10 ft = 4356 ft)

### Individual Plant Treatment

**ATTENTION:** Do not use this treatment method in any area where there are desirable species in close proximity plants to be eliminated. A small amount of Spike 80DF in contact with the roots of desirable trees or other woody species may cause severe injury or death. See Use Precautions and Restrictions section for precautions for avoiding damage to non-target plants.

Spike 80DF may be applied in high or low volumes of water for selective control of individual woody plants. Specified rates will vary depending upon site conditions, with the higher rates needed for difficult to control species, large plants, heavier soils, fall applications and cut brush. Refer to Factors in Herbicidal Response of Woody Plants section for further information.

For high volume applications, mix 1 one pound of Spike 80DF in enough water to make 10 gallons of solution. Apply 10 ounces of material to the soil per every 2 to 4 inches of stem diameter.

For low volume applications, mix 1 pound of Spike 80DF in enough water to make 1 gallon of solution. Apply 1 ounce of material to the soil per very 2 to 4 inches of stem diameter.

When treating large stems, apply the multiple treatments (spots or bands) in even spacing around the stem.

Two types of equipment are suggested for applying Spike 80DF using banded or individual plant treatment methods, the Solo Model 425 back pack sprayer (or equivalent) for both banding and individual plant treatment and the Spot Gun for individual plant treatment.

The Solo sprayer is prepared for spraying by adding the pre-slurried contents of a 4 pound bag of Spike 80DF and water to the tank. Fill to capacity with additional water and shake vigorously. Equip the Solo sprayer with a 0003-SS straight stream nozzle and the Solo pressure regulator with the green (10 psi) pressure limiting spring. To band Spike 80DF at 5 pounds per acre, walk at 3 mph (264 feet per minute) with the Solo on continuously and space the bands 5 feet apart. Adjust the rate and walking speed according to the brush species and conditions encountered. For individual plant treatment with the Solo, apply a 1.5 second shot for every 1 to 2 inches of stem diameter at the base of unwanted woody plants.

The Spot Gun is prepared for individual plant treatment by mixing 2 pounds of Spike 80DF in sufficient water to obtain 1 gallon of spray solution. Set the Spot Gun to deliver 8 milliliters of this solution for every 1 to 2 inches of stem diameter at the base of the unwanted woody plants. For application on steep slopes or other sensitive areas, the Spot Gun can be equipped with a soil probe to inject the Spike 80DF solution beneath the soil surface. Placement at a soil depth of 2 to 4 inches will eliminate any surface movement and reduce injury to herbaceous vegetation.

At the prescribed rates, a 4 pound bag of Spike 80DF will treat approximately 950 stems 1 to 2 inches in diameter. Because of its non-volatile nature and low potential for drift, this Spike application technique can be used for treating unwanted woody plants on non-cropland areas adjacent to sensitive crops (See Precautions and Restrictions section). Use of a colored marker or dye in spray mixtures will aid in inspection of the completed work.

### Aerial Application

Aerial application of Spike 80DF on rights-of-way is limited to helicopter only. Helicopter or fixed-wing aircraft may be used for establishment of herbicidal firebreaks on rangeland or areas adjacent to rights-of-way.

Apply in 5 or more gallons per acre when using aerial application equipment. Because Spike 80DF is a soil active herbicide, maximum soil deposition is desirable. This may be achieved by application of extremely large droplets. Large straight stream nozzles, minimum nozzle pressure and spray thickening

agents may be used to achieve the maximum possible droplet size and minimize the potential for drift. Foliar deposition from large droplets is also more likely to be washed from foliage to the soil surface during initial rainfall events.

**Precautions for Avoid Spray Drift:** Avoid spray drift at the application site. The interaction of many equipment-and-weather-related factors determine the potential for spray drift. Users are responsible for considering all these factors when making decisions.

The following drift management requirements must be followed to avoid off-target drift movement from aerial applications:

1. The distance of the outer most operating nozzles on the boom must not exceed 90% of the wingspan or rotor width.
2. Nozzles must always point backward parallel with the air stream and never be pointed downwards more than 45 degrees.

Where states have more stringent regulations, they must be observed.

The applicator should be familiar with and take into account the information covered in the following Aerial Drift Reduction Advisory. [This information is advisory in nature and does not supersede mandatory label requirements.]

### **Aerial Drift Reduction Advisory**

**Information On Droplet Size:** The most effective way to reduce drift potential is to apply large droplets. The best drift management strategy is to apply the largest droplets that provide sufficient coverage and control. Applying larger droplets reduces drift potential, but will not prevent drift if applications are made improperly, or under unfavorable environmental conditions (see Wind, Temperature and Humidity, and Temperature Inversions).

#### **Controlling Droplet Size:**

- **Volume** - Use high flow rate nozzles to apply the highest practical spray volume. Nozzles with higher rated flows produce larger droplets.
- **Pressure** - Do not exceed the nozzle manufacturer's listed pressures. For many nozzle types lower pressure produces larger droplets. When higher flow rates are needed, use higher flow rate nozzles instead of increasing pressure.
- **Number of Nozzles** - Use the minimum number of nozzles that provide uniform coverage.
- **Nozzle Orientation** - Orienting nozzles so that the spray is released parallel to the airstream produced larger droplets than other orientations and is the specified practice. Significant deflection from horizontal will reduce droplet size and increase drift potential.
- **Nozzle Type** - Use a nozzle type that is designed for the intended application. With most nozzle types, narrower spray angles produce larger droplets. Consider using low-drift nozzles. Solid stream nozzles oriented straight back produce the largest droplets and the lowest drift.

**Boom Length:** For some use patterns, reducing the effective boom length to less than 90% of the wingspan or rotor length may further reduce drift without reducing swath width.

**Application Height:** Applications must not be made at a height greater than 10 feet above the top of the largest plants unless a greater height is required for aircraft safety. Making applications at the lowest height that is safe reduces exposure of droplets to evaporation and wind.

**Swath Adjustment:** When applications are made with a crosswind, the swath will be displaced downwind. Therefore, on the up and downwind edges of the field, the applicator must compensate for this displacement by adjusting the path of the aircraft upwind. Swath adjustment distance should increase, with increasing drift potential (higher wind, smaller drops, etc.).

**Wind:** Drift potential is lowest between wind speeds of 2-10 mph. However, many factors, including droplet size and equipment type determine drift potential at any given speed. Application must be avoided below 2 mph due to variable wind direction and high inversion potential. NOTE: Local terrain can influence wind patterns. Every applicator must be familiar with local wind patterns and how they affect spray drift.

**Temperature and Humidity:** When making applications in low relative humidity, set up equipment to produce larger droplets to compensate for evaporation. Droplet evaporation is most severe when conditions are both hot and dry.

**Temperature Inversions:** Applications must not occur during a local, low level temperature inversion because drift potential is high. Temperature inversions restrict vertical air mixing, which causes small suspended droplets to remain in a concentrated cloud. This cloud can move in unpredictable directions due to the light variable winds common during inversions. Temperature inversions are characterized by increasing temperatures with altitude and are common on nights with limited cloud cover and light to no wind. They begin to form as the sun sets and often continue into the morning. Their presence can be indicated by ground fog; however, if fog is not present, inversions can also be identified by the movement of the smoke from a ground source or an aircraft smoke generator. Smoke that layers and moves laterally in a concentrated cloud (under low wind conditions) indicates an inversion, while smoke that moves upward and rapidly dissipates indicates good vertical air mixing.

**Factors in Herbicidal Response of Woody Plants**

Spike 80DF has little or no foliar activity, but when applied to the soil is readily absorbed by the plant roots along with soil moisture. Effects will not become apparent until there is sufficient rainfall to move the herbicide into the root zone. The time required to achieve control is dependent on soil type, amount and timing of rainfall, and rooting depth of target species. Some species may go through several defoliations and refoliations over a period of approximately two to three years before dying.

**Soil Texture, Soil Depth, and Organic Matter**

Poor control or erratic results are likely to occur if banded treatments are applied to soils containing more than 5% organic matter or more than 30% clay. Do not apply to "blackland" or other heavy clay soils that crack extensively upon drying. Other deep, medium, and fine-textured soils supporting deep-rooted woody plant-species require higher rates within specified rate ranges for consistent control. Woody plants growing in shallow, coarse, or rocky soils with low organic matter are normally more susceptible due to increased soil availability of the herbicide and shallow rooting depth. Application rates at the low end of the rate range may be used under these conditions.

**Woody Plant Size and Density**

The height and density of woody vegetation is a reliable indicator of soil conditions. Woody vegetation is generally taller and denser where soils are deep and/or of medium to fine texture and where soil moisture conditions are more favorable. Higher rates in the specified rate range are required on such sites. Woody vegetation will be smaller and less dense on sites with coarse, shallow, or rocky soils with less favorable soil moisture conditions. Lower rates in the specified rate range may be used on such sites. Where a high level of woody plant control is required and application rates cannot be adjusted for changes in soils, plant size, or density, apply Spike 80DF at a rate sufficient to control the tallest and most dense woody vegetation in the treatment area.

**Application Timing**

Spike 80DF may be applied anytime except when the soil is frozen or is saturated with moisture. For optimum results, applications should be made prior to the resumption of active seasonal growth in the spring or before expected seasonal rainfall. In areas receiving greater than 25 inches of annual rainfall, late summer and fall applications may require a higher application rate in the indicated rate range to achieve consistent control.

Banded application of Spike 80DF is specified for control of brush regrowth after dozing or shredding, provided the regrowth has reached an average height of five feet or more prior to application. Spike 80DF works best when there is an abundance of active leaf area to stimulate soil moisture and herbicide uptake during the season following application. Taller regrowth will tend to respond with faster and more consistent brush control.

Spike 80DF may cause temporary herbicidal symptoms to appear on perennial grasses. Dormant season application is specified to minimize herbicidal effects on desirable forage grasses.

**Effect of Shallow Groundwater on Woody Plant Control**

Do not apply Spike 80DF to areas where the water table is predominately shallow (5 feet or less), such as marshy or sub irrigated areas, or areas immediately adjacent to streams or lakes which are periodically flooded. On such sites, where roots extend directly to a shallow water table, woody plants are minimally affected by applications of tebuthiuron and poor control will result.

**Note:** Refer to Environmental Hazards section under Use Restrictions for Ground Water Protection for other rate limitations on "vulnerable" sites.

**Woody Plant Control in Rangeland,  
Permanent Pastures, Fencerows, and  
Clearings for Wildlife Habitat**

Spike 80DF is specified as a ground-applied band application for control of woody plants in rangeland and permanent pastures, for establishment of clearings for enhancement of wildlife habitat, and for control of trees and brush in fencerows.

**Grazing Management**

In rangelands and permanent grass pastures, measures to minimize injury to, and maximize growth response of, desirable grasses and other forage species are specified. These include:

- application during seasons when forage species are not actively growing,
- application in narrow bands using straight stream nozzles to minimize potential injury to desirable herbaceous cover, and,
- utilizing the maximum width between bands that will still allow for optimal woody plant control (refer also to the Product Information section above)

For optimum perennial forage grass response, desirable species should be present in the area to be treated at a minimum of 10% of normal plant density (density = plants per unit area) compared to similar rangeland or pasture sites not dominated by woody plants. To encourage forage grass response, grazing should be deferred during the entire active growing season following application. Poor vegetative vigor or inadequate rainfall may necessitate additional grazing deferment during periods of active forage growth. Light to moderate grazing after forage grasses are mature and seed has set will not harm grasses and can aid in seed dispersal. Forage grass production usually increases as woody plant competition for water and nutrients is reduced. However, increased forage production is also dependent on adequate rainfall and a sound grazing management program.

**Woody Plants in Rangeland, Permanent Pastures and Fencerows Controlled by Banded Applications**

**Apply Spike 80DF at 0.95 to 1.25 lb per acre on the following woody plant species:**

**Note:** On rangeland and pastureland, apply 0.95 to 1.25 lb/acre of Spike 80DF where a higher degree of control is required (see Factors in Herbicidal Response of Woody Plants in Product Information section of

this label). Spike 80DF may be applied at rates as low as 0.63 lb per acre on sites with shallow, rocky and coarse textured soils having low organic matter content, or where partial control is desired.

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
ceniza	<i>Leucophyllum frutescens</i>
creosotebush	<i>Larrea tridentata</i>
mimosa, catclaw (wait-a-minute-bush)	<i>Mimosa pigra</i>
Paloverde	<i>Cercidium</i> spp.
sagebrush, big	<i>Artemisia tridentata</i>
sagebrush, sand	<i>Artemisia filifolia</i>
snakeweed, broom (density less than 1/sq ft)	<i>Gutierrezia sarothrae</i>
tarbush	<i>Flourensia cernua</i>
whitethorn	<i>Acacia constricta</i>

**Apply Spike 80DF at 0.63 to 2.5 lb per acre on the following woody plant species:**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
oak, sand shinnery <sup>†</sup>	<i>Quercus havardii</i>

<sup>†</sup>**Note:** A wide rate range is provided to accommodate the broad range of soil and climatic variation which occurs in areas occupied by sand shinnery. Use the lowest application rate only on shallow sands in southern part of species range or where partial control is desired. Use a higher dose in indicated rate range for deeper sands and dunes, and on shinnery varieties with tall and dense growth habit which become more prevalent in the mid-to-northern part of the species range (see Factors in Herbicidal Response of Woody Plants in Product Information section of this label).

**Apply Spike 80DF at 1.25 to 2.5 lb per acre on the following woody plant species:**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
oak, bigelow <sup>†</sup> (partial control)	<i>Quercus durandi</i>
oak, mohr <sup>†</sup> (Partial control)	<i>Quercus mohriana</i>
oak, running live <sup>†</sup> (Partial control)	<i>Quercus virginiana</i>
whitebrush	<i>Aloysia lycoides</i>
wolfberry, Berlandier	<i>Lycium berlanderi</i>

<sup>†</sup>**Note:** Use a higher dosage in indicated rate range on tall and dense stands.

**Apply Spike 80DF at 2.5 to 5 lb per acre on the following woody plant species:**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
acacia, blackbrush	<i>Acacia rigidula</i>
acacia, catclaw	<i>Acacia greggii</i>
acacia, twisted	<i>Acacia tortuosa</i>
apple-of-sodom	<i>Solanum sodomeum</i>
birch, gray	<i>Betula populifolia</i>
blueberry	<i>Vaccinium</i> spp.
bluewood (Brazil)	<i>Condalia obovata</i>
buckbrush	<i>Symphoricarpos orbiculatus</i>
cherry, bitter	<i>Prunus emarginata</i>
dogwood, roughleaf	<i>Cornus drummondii</i>
elm, American	<i>Ulmus americana</i>
elm, winged	<i>Ulmus alata</i>

guajillo	<i>Acacia berlanderi</i>
guava	<i>Psidium guajava</i>
hackberry, spiny (granjeno)	<i>Celtis palida</i>
hackberry, western	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>
hawthorn	<i>Crataegus</i> spp.
huckleberry	<i>Gaylussacia</i> spp.
koa haole	<i>Leucaena leucophylla</i>
locust, black	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>
manzanita	<i>Arctostaphylos</i> spp.
mulberry, red	<i>Morus rubra</i>
oak, black	<i>Quercus velutina</i>
oak, blackjack	<i>Quercus marilandica</i>
oak, blue	<i>Quercus douglasii</i>
oak, bur	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>
oak, post	<i>Quercus stellata</i>
oak, shrub live	<i>Quercus turbinella</i>
oak, southern red	<i>Quercus falcata</i>
oak, white	<i>Quercus alba</i>
rose, multiflora	<i>Rosa multiflora</i>
sage, black	<i>Salvia melifera</i>
sumac, dwarf	<i>Rhus copallina</i>
sumac, littleleaf	<i>Rhus microphylla</i>
sumac, skunkbush	<i>Rhus trilobata</i>
sumac, smooth	<i>Rhus glabra</i>
sumac, staghorn	<i>Rhus typhina</i>
thornapple, desert	<i>Datura discolor</i>
yaupon	<i>Ilex vomitoria</i>
yaupon, desert	<i>Schaefferia cuneifolia</i>

**Apply Spike 80DF at 5 lb per acre on the following woody plant species:**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
alder, red	<i>Alnus rubra</i>
alder, speckled	<i>Alnus rugosa</i>
aspen, bigtooth	<i>Populus grandidentata</i>
beech, American	<i>Fagus grandifolia</i>
blackberry	<i>Rubus</i> spp.
boxelder	<i>Acer negundo</i>
chamise	<i>Adenostoma fasciculatum</i>
cherry, black	<i>Prunus serotina</i>
chokecherry, common	<i>Prunus virginiana</i>
colubrina, Texas	<i>Colubrina texensis</i>
cottonwood, eastern	<i>Populus deltoides</i>
creeper, Virginia	<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i>
dogwood, flowering	<i>Cornus florida</i>
douglasfir	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>
fir, balsam	<i>Abies balsamea</i>
guayacan	<i>Porlieria angustifolia</i>
hardhack	<i>Spiraea tomentosa</i>
hickory, bitternut	<i>Caraya cordiformis</i>
hickory, black	<i>Caraya texana</i>
hickory, pignut	<i>Caraya glabra</i>
hickory, shagbark	<i>Caraya ovata</i>
huisache	<i>Acacia farnesiana</i>
kidneywood, Texas	<i>Eysenhardtia texana</i>
kudzu	<i>Pueraria lobata</i>

leatherstem	<i>Jatropha dioica</i>
lotebush (condalia)	<i>Ziziphus obtusifolia</i>
maple, bigleaf	<i>Acer macrophyllum</i>
maple, sugar	<i>Acer saccharum</i>
melaleuca	<i>Melaleuca quinquenervia</i>
mountain mahogany, birchleaf	<i>Cercocarpus betuloides</i>
oak, California scrub	<i>Quercus dumosa</i>
oak, live	<i>Quercus virginiana</i>
oak, pin	<i>Quercus palustris</i>
oak, red	<i>Quercus rubra</i>
oak, white	<i>Quercus alba</i>
pine, Australian	<i>Casuarina</i> spp.
pine	<i>Pinus</i> spp.
poplar, balsam	<i>Populus balsamifera</i>
raspberry, black	<i>Rubus occidentalis</i>
rose, Macartney	<i>Rosa bracteata</i>
spruce, white	<i>Picea glauca</i>
sweetgum	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>
tamarack	<i>Larix laricina</i>
trumpetcreeper	<i>Campsis radicans</i>
willow	<i>Salix</i> spp.

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**Establishment of Herbicidal Firebreaks**

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Spike 80DF may be used for establishment of firebreaks in annual grasslands adjacent to frequently traveled areas or areas with a history of repeated wildfires. Application of Spike 80DF provides residual preemergence control of annual grasses and broadleaf weeds and prevents annual buildup of combustible fuel. Treated strips 40 to 50 feet wide may be established parallel to highways or frequently traveled areas or in a broad-scale grid pattern. Strategic placement of firebreaks can prevent fires from spreading from frequently traveled areas or lightning fires can be confined to the area within a single grid block. Herbicidal firebreaks can also serve as a means of safe passage in case of entrapment during fire-fighting efforts.

This practice is intended for use in rangelands dominated by annual grasses such as *Bromus* and other annual grass species and certain broadleaf weeds prevalent in the Great Basin and Pacific Northwest. When surface applied from mid summer to early fall, Spike 80DF provides residual preemergence control of susceptible annual grasses and broadleaf weeds from early fall through the spring growth period. Depending on application rate, a single application may provide effective annual grass and broadleaf control for 2 years or more. Desirable perennial grasses within treated strips may be temporarily injured, but if not overgrazed, will increase in vigor and density with time.

**Annual Weeds Controlled:** Includes *Bromus* spp., downy brome grass or cheatgrass (*Bromus tectorum*), rigput brome (*Bromus diandrus*), annual mustards, bur buttercup (*Ranunculus testiculatus*) and other annual species

**Application Timing:** Spike 80DF may be applied from mid summer through early fall (July 15 through October 15). Application should occur prior to or immediately after the onset of germination of target annual weeds. Spike 80DF may be applied 2 to 3 months before germination of target weeds without loss of herbicidal activity. The treatment becomes herbicidally active when there is sufficient rainfall to move the herbicide into the surface soil where germination occurs. Control will be reduced if Spike 80DF is applied after the root systems of target weeds are established and can obtain soil moisture from below the zone of herbicidally active surface soil.

**Broadcast Application Rates:** Apply Spike 80DF at a rate of 0.38 to 0.75 lb/acre (0.3 to 0.6 lb ai/acre) in a minimum spray volume of 5 gallons per acre for ground equipment. Use low pressure large droplet herbicide nozzles. Use the lower end of the rate range in areas with coarse to medium textured soils with low organic matter and the higher end of the rate range in areas with medium to fine textured soils, areas with higher organic matter, or where a longer period of control is desired.

**Woody plant control:** With time, application rates greater than 0.4 lb/acre of Spike 80DF may provide sagebrush control within treated strips.

**Application Techniques and Equipment:** Herbicidal firebreaks may be applied with ground equipment. Ground equipment using cluster nozzles may be preferable to conventional ground spray booms in areas of rough terrain. Adjust spray boom to deliver a uniform swath approximately 40-50 feet wide. Treat strips of sufficient width to contain a wild fire in annual grass vegetation normally observed in the area.

Repeat applications may be made at a reduced rate within previously treated strips or application may occur adjacent to treated strips to widen the zone of reduced fuel in case of fire. By treating strips adjacent to previously treated strips, desirable changes in herbaceous perennial vegetation within previously treated strips may be preserved.

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Total Vegetation Control**

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Spike 80DF may be used for preemergence and postemergence total vegetation control in the following non-cropland areas: airport runways, utility substations and rights-of-way, road shoulders where no vegetation is desired, under asphalt and concrete pavements where no future landscaping is planned, at the base of highway guardrails, sign posts and markers, at the base of transmission towers and poles, around industrial buildings, lumberyards, railroad yards, firebreaks, and fencerows.

**Note:** Refer to Product Information section for limitations on maximum use rates, frequency of application and total application rates allowed during a given period of time. Refer to Environmental Hazards section under Use Restrictions for Ground Water Protection for other rate limitations on "vulnerable" sites.

For total vegetation control in areas **not treated the previous season** with Spike 80DF or other residual herbicides, apply Spike 80DF prior to or just after emergence of plants as follows:

**At 5 pounds per acre, Spike 80DF will control the following:**

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|------------------------|------------------------|
| alfalfa                | hemlock, poison        |
| aster, heath           | henbit                 |
| aster, white heath     | honeysuckle, Japanese  |
| barley, little         | horsetweed             |
| bedstraw               | knapweed               |
| bluegrass, annual      | kochia                 |
| bluegrass, Kentucky    | lambsquarters          |
| bouncingbet            | lupine                 |
| bromegrass, downy      | medic, black           |
| bromegrass, ripgut     | morningglory           |
| bromegrass, smooth     | mullein, common        |
| broomsedge             | nightshade, silverleaf |
| buffelgrass            | oat, wild              |
| burclover              | panicum, Texas         |
| buttercup, smallflower | pepperweed, Virginia   |
| camphorweed            | pigweed                |
| carrot, wild           | plantain, buckhorn     |



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|----------------------|---------------------|
| catsear, spotted     | puncturevine        |
| cheat                | ragweed, giant      |
| chickweed            | raspberry, red      |
| clover, red          | ryegrass, Italian   |
| cocklebur            | sedge, annual       |
| creeper, Virginia    | shepherdspurse      |
| crowfootgrass        | sida, prickly       |
| dock, curly          | sowthistle, annual  |
| dogfennel            | spikeweed           |
| fescue               | spurge              |
| fescue, rattail      | spurge, spotted     |
| fiddleneck, coast    | starthistle, yellow |
| filaree              | strawberry          |
| filaree, redstem     | sunflower, common   |
| fleabane, annual     | telegraphplant      |
| foxtail              | Timothy             |
| gaillardia, rosering | trumpetcreeper      |
| geranium, Carolina   | velvetgrass         |
| goldenrod            | vetch               |
| grape                | witchgrass          |
| gumweed              |                     |

For the **maintenance of total vegetation control** in non-cropland areas **east of the Rocky Mountains** which were treated the previous season with Spike 80DF or other residual herbicides, apply Spike 80DF prior to or just after emergence of plants as follows (some of the species listed may show erratic control depending on the time between application and weed germination):

**At 3 pounds per acre, Spike 80DF will control the following:**

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|-----------|--------|
| goldenrod | spurge |
|-----------|--------|

**At 2 pounds per acre, Spike 80DF will control the following:**

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|---------------------|-------------------------|
| bluegrass, annual   | parsnip, wild           |
| bluegrass, Kentucky | pepperweed              |
| carrot, wild        | pigweed                 |
| chickweed, common   | ragweed, common         |
| croton              | smartweed, Pennsylvania |
| fleabane, annual    | sweetclover             |
| horseweed           | thistle, Canada         |
| mullein             | woodsorrel, yellow      |
| panicum, fall       |                         |

In areas of rainfall greater than 25 inches per year, the 3 pounds per acre maintenance rate should be used for all weed species listed above.

For the **maintenance of total vegetation control** in non-cropland areas **west of the Rocky Mountains** which were treated the previous season with Spike 80DF or other residual herbicides, apply Spike 80DF prior to or just after emergence of plants as follows (some of the species listed may show erratic control depending on the time between application and weed germination):

**At 1.5 pounds per acre, Spike 80DF will control the following:**

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|------------------|------------------|
| bassia, fivehook | pigweed          |
| cheat            | plantain         |
| cudweed          | ryegrass, annual |

foxtail	saltbush
lettuce, prickly	shepherdspurse
oat, wild	witchgrass
oxtongue, bristly	

**At 2 pounds per acre, Spike 80DF will control the following:**

buttercup	mustard
canarygrass, reed	ragweed, western
knapweed, Russian	starthistle, yellow
knotweed	telegraphplant
mallow	

**At 3 pounds per acre, Spike 80DF will control the following:**

barley	sida, alkali
gumweed	smartweed, swamp
puncturevine	

In areas of rainfall greater than 25 inches per year, the 3 pounds per acre maintenance rate should be used for all weed species listed above.

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**Non-Cropland  
Control of Woody Plants and Vines**

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For the control of woody plants and vines, the following rates of Spike 80DF are specified. These rates can vary depending upon soil type, rainfall, time of application, and size/density of the woody plants.

**Spike 80DF applied at the rate of 1.25 pounds per acre will control the following species:**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
burroweed	<i>Haplopappus tenuisectus</i>
creosotebush	<i>Larrea tridentata</i>
wait-a-minute-bush	<i>Mimosa biuncifera</i>

**In addition to those species controlled at 1.25 lb per acre, the following species will be controlled at the rate of 2.5 pounds per acre:**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
blueberry	<i>Vaccinium</i> spp.
buckbrush	<i>Symphoricarpos orbicalatus</i>
ceniza (Texas silverleaf)	<i>Leucophyllum frutescens</i>
cherry, bitter	<i>Prunus emarginata</i>
elm, American	<i>Ulmus americana</i>
hackberry, western	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>
huckleberry	<i>Gaylussacia</i> spp.
locust, black	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>
mulberry, red	<i>Morus rubra</i>
pine	<i>Pinus</i> spp.
pine, western white	<i>Pinus monticola</i>
rose, multiflora	<i>Rosa multiflora</i>
sage, purple	<i>Salvia leucophylla</i>
sagebrush, big	<i>Artemisia tridentata</i>
sumac, smooth	<i>Rhus glabra</i>
thornapple, desert	<i>Datura discolor</i>

tree-of-heaven	<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>
whitebrush	<i>Aloysia lycioides</i>
wolfberry, berlandier	<i>Lycium berlandieri</i>

**In addition to those species controlled at 2.5 lb per acre, the following species will be controlled at the rate of 3.75 pounds per acre:**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
alder, speckled	<i>Alnus rugosa</i>
birch, gray	<i>Betula populifolia</i>
cottonwood, eastern	<i>Populus deltoides</i>
elm, winged	<i>Ulmus alata</i>
fir, balsam	<i>Abies balsamea</i>
granjeno	<i>Celtis pallid</i>
hardhack	<i>Spiraea tomentosa</i>
huisache	<i>Acacia farnesiana</i>
condalia, lotebush	<i>Condalia obtusifolia</i>
maple, sugar	<i>Acer saccharum</i>
oak, blackjack	<i>Quercus marilandica</i>
oak, blue	<i>Quercus douglasii</i>
oak, post	<i>Quercus stellat</i>
poplar, balsam	<i>Populus balsamifera</i>
spruce, white	<i>Picea glauca</i>
tamarack	<i>Larix laricina</i>
willow	<i>Salix spp.</i>
yaupon	<i>Ilex vomitoria</i>
yaupon, desert	<i>Schaefferia cuneifolia</i>

**In addition to those species controlled at 3.75 lb per acre, the following species will be controlled at the rate of 5 pounds per acre:**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
acacia, blackbrush	<i>Acacia rigidula</i>
acacia, catclaw	<i>Acacia greggii</i>
acacia, twisted	<i>Acacia tortuosa</i>
alder, red	<i>Alnus rubra</i>
aspen, bigtooth	<i>Populus grandidentata</i>
beech, American	<i>Fagus grandifolia</i>
blackberry, allegheny	<i>Rubus allegheniensis</i>
boxelder	<i>Acer negundo</i>
chamise	<i>Adenostoma fasciculatum</i>
chokecherry, common	<i>Prunus virginiana</i>
colubrina, Texas	<i>Colubrina texensis</i>
condalia, bluewood	<i>Condalia obovata</i>
creeper, Virginia	<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i>
dogwood, roughleaf	<i>Cornus drummondii</i>
douglasfir	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>
guajillo	<i>Acacia berlandieri</i>
guayacan	<i>Portieria angustifolia</i>
hawthorn	<i>Crataegus spp.</i>
hickory, black	<i>Carya texana</i>
hickory, pignut	<i>Carya glabra</i>
hickory, shagbark	<i>Carya ovata</i>
kidneywood, Texas	<i>Eysenhardtia texana</i>
kudzu	<i>Pueraria lobata</i>
leatherstem	<i>Jatropha dioica</i>

maples	<i>Acer</i> spp.
mountain-mahogany (birchleaf)	<i>Cercocarpus betuloides</i>
oak, California scrub	<i>Quercus dumosa</i>
oak, live	<i>Quercus virginiana</i>
oak, pin	<i>Quercus palustris</i>
oak, red	<i>Quercus rubra</i>
oak, white	<i>Quercus alba</i>
pine, Australian	<i>Casuarina</i> spp.
pinos	<i>Pinus</i> spp.
salvia, shrubby blue	<i>Salvia ballotaeflora</i>
sumac, staghorn	<i>Rhus typhina</i>
sweetgum	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>
trumpet creeper	<i>Campsis radicans</i>

**Individual (Spot) Application**

***Spike 80DF may be applied, using hand-held equipment at up to 7.5 pounds per acre, to the following species by individual (spot) application only:***

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
ash, green	<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>
ash, white	<i>Fraxinus americana</i>
blackberry, evergreen	<i>Rubus laciniatus</i>
ceanothus, wedgeleaf	<i>Ceanothus cuneatus</i>
chaparral, whitethorn	<i>Ceanothus leucodermis</i>
cherry, black	<i>Prunus serotina</i>
dogwood, flowering	<i>Cornus florida</i>
elm, Chinese	<i>Ulmus parvifolia</i>
elm, slippery	<i>Ulmus rubra</i>
greenbrier, common	<i>Smilax rotundifolia</i>
groundsel tree	<i>Baccharis</i> spp.
hawthorn, cockspur	<i>Crataegus crus-galli</i>
lantana	<i>Lantana camara</i>
manzanita, greenleaf	<i>Arctostaphylos patula</i>
maple, bigleaf	<i>Acer macrophyllum</i>
maple, Norway	<i>Acer platanoides</i>
maple, silver	<i>Acer saccharium</i>
maple, vine	<i>Acer circinatum</i>
melaleuca	<i>Maleuca quinquenervia</i>
oak, white	<i>Quercus alba</i>
peppertree, Brazilian	<i>Schinus terebinthifolius</i>
pine, Australian	<i>Casuarina</i> spp.
pine, jack	<i>Pinus banksiana</i>
pine, red	<i>Pinus resinosa</i>
pine, shortleaf	<i>Pinus echinata</i>
pine, Virginia	<i>Pinus virginiana</i>
privet	<i>Ligustrum</i> spp.
raspberry, black	<i>Rubus occidentalis</i>
redcedar, eastern	<i>Juniperus virginiana</i>
Russianolive	<i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i>
salal	<i>Gaultheria shallon</i>
sumac, laurel	<i>Rhus laurina</i>
sycamore, American	<i>Platanus occidentalis</i>
tallow tree	<i>Sapium sebiferum</i>
tuliptree	<i>Liriodendron, tulipifera</i>

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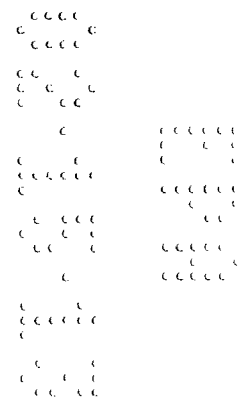
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# Supplemental Labeling



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## Spike® 80DF

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### Control of Annual Grasses and Broadleaf Weeds with Aerial Application in Rangeland and Permanent Pastures

This labeling expires and must not be used or distributed after December 31, 2015

#### ATTENTION

- It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.
- This labeling must be in the possession of the user at the time of application.
- Read the label affixed to the container for Spike® 80DF specialty herbicide before applying. Carefully follow all precautionary statements and applicable use directions.
- Except as described below, use of Spike 80DF according to this supplemental labeling is subject to all use precautions and limitations imposed by the label affixed to the product container.

#### Directions for Use

Spike® 80DF herbicide may be used for control of annual grasses and broadleaf weeds by ground or aerial (helicopter or fixed-wing aircraft) applications. Application of Spike 80DF provides residual preemergence control of annual grasses and broadleaf weeds and prevents annual buildup of combustible fuel.

When broadcast applied from mid-summer to early fall, Spike 80DF provides residual preemergence control of susceptible annual grasses and broadleaf weeds from early fall through the spring growth period. Depending on the specified application rate, a single application may provide effective annual grass and broadleaf control for 2 years or more. Desirable perennial grasses within treated areas may be temporarily injured, but if not overgrazed, will increase in vigor and density with time.

**Broadcast Application Rates:** Apply Spike 80DF at a rate of 0.38 to 0.75 lb/acre (0.3 to 0.6 lb ai/acre) in a minimum spray volume of 5 gallons per acre in either ground or aerial equipment. Use low pressure large droplet herbicide nozzles. Use the lower end of the rate range in areas with coarse to medium textured soils with low organic matter and the higher end of the rate range in areas with medium to fine textured soils, areas with higher organic matter, or where a longer period of control is desired. The maximum application rate for annual grass or broadleaf control is 0.6 lb ai/A per application or per year.

**Annual Weeds Controlled:** Includes *Bromus* spp., downy brome grass or cheatgrass (*Bromus tectorum*), ripgut brome (*Bromus diandrus*), annual mustards, bur buttercup (*Ranunculus testiculatus*) and other annual species.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Rate (fl oz/acre)	Life Cycle	Plant Family
Brome grass	<i>Bromus species</i>	0.6 lb	annual	Poaceae
Downy brome grass	<i>Bromus tectorum</i>	0.6 lb	annual	Poaceae
Cheatgrass	<i>Bromus tectorum</i>	0.6 lb	annual	Poaceae
Ripgut brome	<i>Bromus diandrus</i>	0.6 lb	annual	Poaceae
Annual mustards	<i>Brassica species</i>	0.6 lb	annual	Brassicaceae
Bur buttercup	<i>Ranunculus testiculatus</i>	0.6 lb	annual	Ranunculaceae

**Application Timing:** Spike 80DF may be applied from mid-summer through early fall (July 15 through October 15). Application should occur prior to or immediately after the onset of germination of target annual weeds. Spike 80DF may be applied 2 to 3 months before germination of target weeds without loss of herbicidal activity. The treatment becomes herbicidally active when there is sufficient rainfall to move the herbicide into the surface soil where germination occurs. Control will be reduced if Spike 80DF is applied after the root systems of target weeds are established and can obtain soil moisture from below the zone of herbicidally active surface soil.

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