

## United States Environmental Protection Agency

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Subject: Submission of an amendment to expand the directions for use for placement of refillable bait stations in turf.

EPA Registration Number: 64248-06  
 Submission Dated March 27, 2000

Dear Ms. Christopher,

The labeling referenced above, and submitted in connection with registration under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), is acceptable subject to the comments listed below. Five copies of the finished labeling must be submitted prior to releasing the product for shipment.

- The language "Low-profile refillable bait stations, such as the Maxforce Outdoor Refillable bait station, can be placed in turf by removing sod layer and placing station base plate against the soil to avoid contact with lawn mowers and trimmers." should be modified to state the following: "The Maxforce Outdoor Refillable bait station can be placed in turf by removing sod layer and placing the station base plate against the soil to avoid contact with lawn mowers and trimmers." The language "Low-profile refillable bait stations, such as . . ." implies that there are additional stations that may be used, but these have not been present to the Agency for approval. During a joint meeting with Maxforce® and the Agency, a subsequent December 22, 1998-letter was sent to stating the following:  
 "The language " . . . or similar refillable/serviceable bait station. must be removed. Maxforce® has presented only the B&G perimeter Patrol Station for review as a refillable bait station. **If additional types of stations are intended to be used with this product, they must also be presented to the Agency for review and approval.**"

This language was presented in a letter dated December 22, 1998 for registration number 64248-6.

- The term "including but not limited to," is a misleading label statement as outlined in CFR 40 156.10 (a), (5). The labeling requirement states the following:  
 "False or misleading statements. Pursuant to section 2(q)(1)(A) of the Act, a pesticide or a device declared subject to the Act pursuant to § 153.240, is misbranded if its labeling is false or misleading in any particular including both pesticidal and non-pesticidal claims."  
 If you have any questions with regard to the label acceptance, you may contact Richard J. Gebken, at (703) 305-6701. -

Sincerely yours,

Marion J. Johnson, Jr.  
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## CONCURRENCES

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# MAXFORCE

PROFESSIONAL INSECT CONTROL ANT KILLER/GRANULAR BAIT

FOR INDOOR AND OUTDOOR CONTROL OF ANTS, CRICKETS & ROACHES<sup>1</sup>  
FOR USE IN AND AROUND STRUCTURES AND RESIDENTIAL AREAS  
RECOMMENDED FOR USE BY COMMERCIAL APPLICATORS

**CAUTION:** KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN  
(See back panel for usage instructions and additional precautionary statements)

**PRECAUTION:** AL USUARIO: Si usted no lee ingles no use este producto hasta que la etiqueta le haya sido explicada ampliamente.

ACTIVE INGREDIENT: Hydramethylnon† .....1.0%  
OTHER INGREDIENTS .....99.0%  
ICAC No. 67485-29-4

NET WT 10 oz -or- 6 lbs  
-or- 25 lbs.



This product controls a variety of ants including the following species:

Acrobat	Ghost
Argentine	Harvester
Big Headed	Odorous House
Carpenter	Pavement
Cornfield	Pharaoh
Field	Thief
Fire <sup>1</sup>	

Also kills: • Crickets • Roaches<sup>1</sup>  
• Silverfish • Firebrats

<sup>1</sup>German, American, Oriental and Smokey Brown Roaches  
<sup>1</sup>Native and imported fire ants

MAXFORCE  
PROFESSIONAL INSECT CONTROL ANT KILLER/GRANULAR BAIT

This product is a ready-to-use product for use indoors and outdoors; around buildings, on lawns, and other non-crop areas\* such as residential areas, the non-food/non-feed areas of institutional and commercial establishments including warehouses, restaurants, food processing plants, supermarkets, hospitals, nursing homes, motels, hotels, apartment buildings, schools, laboratories, computer facilities, pet shops, zoos, sewers, highway rights-of-way and medians, traffic islands, utility rights-of-way (including but not limited to, powerlines, pipelines, aqueducts), managed turf areas (non-crop\*) (including but not limited to: school yards, playgrounds, athletic fields, amusement parks, picnic areas, recreation areas, office parks, industrial grounds, airports, shopping centers, public parks, arboreta, public gardens, monument sites, cemeteries and mausoleums, golf courses, race tracks, fairgrounds, outdoor amphitheaters, sod farms, and ornamental nurseries). The use of this product on pasture and rangeland is unlawful. Do not graze or feed lawn or sod clippings to livestock. This patented formula contains a special blend of foods, combined with the delayed-action stomach poison, hydramethylnon. The delayed action of the active ingredient allows foraging ants to bring the bait back to the nest so that the entire colony, including the queen, is destroyed. When properly used, this bait will control many of the following insects, including ants, cockroaches, crickets, silverfish, before they can enter a structure. Do not apply other insecticides (such as aerosols, sprays, etc.) on top of or in close proximity to this product, as it will reduce the effectiveness. You should -or- Expect to see fewer ants -or- insects -or- roaches -or- crickets within a week.

\* Do not use on other non-crop areas in California.

This product's bulk container may be used on the job site or to refill the MAXFORCE Granular Insect Bait 10 oz service container. The bulk container will refill approximately 10 service containers. Refill only those service containers with current and legible labels.

**DIRECTIONS FOR USE:** It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

## FOR OUTDOOR USE:

1. **AROUND STRUCTURES:** This product may be sprinkled around structures and/or applied to refillable/serviceable bait stations as outlined below. Note: Around structures the total application should not exceed 4-8 oz per 200-400 linear feet (or 0.5 oz per 25 linear feet). Sprinkle evenly in a 1-2 foot wide band adjacent to the structure at a rate of 0.5 oz (one tablespoon) of bait per 25 linear feet. A typical application would be 4-8 oz adjacent to an average sized home of 200-400 linear feet. Be sure to treat areas such as porches, patios, driveways, sidewalks, flower gardens, landscape timbers and around trees, wood piles, air conditioning units and garbage receptacles. **DO NOT USE ON EDIBLE FOOD CROPS OR ON AREAS INTENDED FOR EDIBLE FOOD CROP PRODUCTION.** Treat visible ant trails, as well as cracks or crevices, where insects (ants, roaches, crickets) may enter a structure.

**Refillable Stations:** This product may be used in the Maxforce Refillable Bait Stations or B&G Perimeter Patrol Station. Place 1 to 3 (2 to 6 Tbsp.) of granular bait per station. Refillable stations should be placed every 20 to 30 feet around the perimeter of a structure. Use approximately 2 stations per side of a typical single family home.

For best results, place stations near: air conditioning units, water faucets, foundation vents and weep holes, decks, utility entryways (e.g. electrical, cable TV) and wherever target pests are frequently found. Stations may also be placed along fence lines and property lines to intercept foraging pests.

Regularly inspect all stations and replace bait as needed for continual control.

**Refillable bait stations should be placed in areas where they will not be damaged by lawn equipment such as mowers or trimmers. Low-profile refillable bait stations, such as the Maxforce Outdoor Refillable Bait Station, can be placed in turf by removing sod layer and placing station base plate against soil to avoid contact with lawn mowers and trimmers.** If the station is not equipped with a sticker to identify the contents, apply a sticker to the outside of the station.

2. **BROADCAST APPLICATION:** Broadcast this product uniformly at a rate of up to 1 oz per 1800 square feet.

3. **FIRE ANTS AND OTHER MOUND BUILDING ANTS (Pavement, Fire, Harvester, Field and Cornfield):** Sprinkle approximately two tablespoons (1 oz) of bait around each mound. For best results, do not apply bait directly in or on the mound. Do not disturb the mound. Ants that are agitated may not feed on the bait.

**FOR INDOOR USE: AVOID CONTAMINATION OF FOOD, FOOD CONTACT SURFACES AND FEEDSTUFFS. NOTE:** Indoor applications are limited to areas that are inaccessible to children or pets, such as cracks, crevices, wall voids, unfinished attics, crawl spaces and behind electrical switch plates, within residential and non-residential buildings or structures and within non-food/non-feed areas of industrial, institutional, and commercial buildings as outlined below.

Apply up to 0.5 oz (one tablespoon) of bait per crack, crevice or other inaccessible areas where insects may hide or live. Apply product using suitable application equipment (such as the Centro BaitMaster). Recover -or- Clean up -or- Wipe up any loose or excess granules. Apply evenly in unfinished attics and crawl spaces at a rate of 0.5 ounces per 100 square feet only if the space is secured or otherwise inaccessible to children and domestic animals

## PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS:

**CAUTION: HAZARDS TO HUMANS:** May be harmful if swallowed. Avoid contact with skin or eyes. Applicator should wear gloves and wash hands thoroughly after handling.

**FIRST AID:** If swallowed, drink one or two glasses of water and induce vomiting by touching back of throat with finger. Do not induce vomiting or give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention. For more information, call: 1-800-426-6228.

**HAZARDS TO ANIMALS:** Store in a secure place. Pets may be attracted to this product. Keep pets away from treated areas for at least 24 hours after application.

**ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS:** This product is toxic to fish. Do not apply directly to water. Do not contaminate water by cleaning of equipment or disposal of equipment washwaters.

**STORAGE AND DISPOSAL:** Store in a cool, dry, secure place. Keep container closed when not in use. Avoid contamination from other insecticides. Do not contaminate water, food or feed by storage or disposal. Do not reuse empty container for any use other than this product. Wrap empty container and place in trash can.

-or-

**STORAGE AND DISPOSAL:** Do not contaminate water, food or feed by storage and disposal. **Storage:** Store in a cool, dry area out of reach of children or domestic animals. Keep container closed when not in use. Avoid contamination from other insecticides. **Disposal:** Triple rinse (or equivalent). Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or incineration, or if allowed by state and local authorities, by burning. If burned, stay out of smoke.

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QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?  
CALL 1-800-426-6228.

And, see the Maxforce website  
at [www.maxforce.com](http://www.maxforce.com).

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**Note:** [Bracketed information is optional text.] Underlined text is new.

EPA 64248-06 Maxforce Professional Insect Control Ant Killer/Granular Bait

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ACCEPTED  
with COMMENTS  
EPA Letter Dated:  
JUN 26 2000

Under the Federal Insecticide,  
Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act,  
as amended, for the pesticide  
registered under EPA Reg. No.  
64248-6