

## OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

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#### Subject: Non-PRIA (Pesticide Registration Improvement Act) Labeling Amendment - Label revision to update registration number, add marketing statement and add resistance management language. Product Name: EZ-OX Tablets Admin Number: 101743-2 EPA Receipt Date: 11/26/2024 Action Case Number: 00638493

Dear James Messina:

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

This approval does not affect any terms or conditions that were previously imposed on this registration. You continue to be subject to existing terms or conditions on your registration and any deadlines connected with them.

A stamped copy of your labeling is enclosed for your records. This labeling supersedes all previously accepted labeling. You must submit one (1) copy of the final printed labeling before you release this product for shipment with the new labeling. In accordance with 40 CFR § 152.130(c), you may distribute or sell this product under the previously approved labeling for 18 months from the date of this letter. After 18 months, you may only distribute or sell this product if it bears this new revised labeling or subsequently approved labeling. "To distribute or sell" is defined under FIFRA section 2(gg) and its implementing regulation at 40 CFR § 152.3.

Should you wish to add/retain a reference to your company's website on your label, then please be aware that the website becomes labeling under FIFRA and is subject to review by EPA. If the website is false or misleading, the product will be considered to be misbranded and sale or distribution of the product is unlawful under FIFRA section 12(a)(1)(E). 40 CFR § 156.10(a)(5) lists examples of statements the EPA may consider false or misleading. In addition, regardless of whether a website is referenced on your product's label, claims made on the website may not substantially differ from those claims approved through the registration process. Therefore, should the EPA find or if it is brought to our attention that a website contains statements or claims substantially differing from statements or claims made in connection with obtaining a FIFRA section 3 registration, the website will be referred to the EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance.

Your release for shipment of this product constitutes acceptance of these terms. If these terms are not complied with, this registration will be subject to cancellation in accordance with FIFRA section 6.

If you have questions, please contact James Parker via email at parker.james@epa.gov. Sincerely,

Andrew Bryceland

Andrew Bryceland, Team Leader BPB, BPPD Office of Pesticide Programs



11/26/2024 Master Label:

Sublabel A: EZ-OX Tablets (End-use)

Sublabel B: EZ-OX Powder (End-use)

Sublabel C: EZ-OX Tablets & Powder (End-use)

## [Sublabel A] EZ-OX TABLETS

## [Alternate Brand Name: EZ-OX Tablets]

EZ-OX Tablets contain Oxalic Acid in a premeasured amount for an easy-to-use application.

#### **Active Ingredient:**

Oxalic Acid Dihydrate:	. 97.0%
Inert Ingredients	3.0%
TOTAL:	100.0%

EPA Reg. No. 101743-2 EPA Est. No. [101743-OH-1][101743-OH-2]

Net Contents: [See below options] [For use with 1.0 gram tablets] [50 tablets (1 gram each)] or [100 tablets (1.0 gram each)] or [500 tablets (1.0 grams each)] Batch Code / Year (See package)

## **KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

DANGER-PELIGRO POISON



	FIRST AID
If swallowed	<ul> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow.</li> <li>DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING unless told to by the poison control center or doctor.</li> <li>Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.</li> </ul>
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If inhaled	<ul> <li>Move person to fresh air.</li> <li>If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, if possible. DO NOT use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance, use respiratory medical device.</li> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor for advice.</li> </ul>
	POISON CONTROL CENTER USA
	(800) 222-1222

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## PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

DANGER POISON



Fatal if swallowed. Corrosive. Causes irreversible eye damage. Causes skin burns. May be fatal if absorbed through the skin. May be fatal if inhaled. Do not get on skin, in eyes, or on clothing. Do not breathe vapor or spray mist. Wear protective clothing, eyewear, and respiratory protection as listed under "Personal Protective Equipment."

#### 11/26/2024 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Handlers and Applicators who apply product by the Vaporizer Method must wear:

- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Socks and shoes
- Chemical resistant gloves (barrier laminate, butyl rubber ≥14 mils., nitrile rubber ≥ 14 mils., neoprene rubber ≥ 14 mils., natural rubber ≥ 14 mils., polyethylene, polyvinyl chloride ≥ 14 mils., or Viton ≥ 14 mils.)
- Protective eyewear (goggles or face shield)
- Wear a minimum of a NIOSH-approved elastomeric half mask respirator with acid gas cartridges and combination N, R, or P filters

User Safety Requirements:

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

Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet. Remove clothing/PPE immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.

Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

## DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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

READ THIS LABEL: Read the entire label. This product must be used strictly in accordance with this label's precautionary statements and use directions, as well as with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations.

## **USE RESTRICTIONS:**

Oxalic Acid Dihydrate applications are for in-hive use only. DO NOT use in enclosed overwintering areas.

Apply only when monitoring indicates treatment is required. Consult state guidelines and local extension experts for monitoring protocols and thresholds for treatment.

## **APPLICATION DIRECTIONS:**

Use Oxalic Acid Dihydrate when little or no brood is present as Oxalic Acid Dihydrate will not control Varroa mites in capped brood and may damage bee brood. Consult state guidelines and local extension experts about best application practices when applying Oxalic Acid Dihydrate when capped brood is present because multiple treatments several days apart will be needed to

# 11/26/2024 reduce successive cohorts of adult mites.

Oxalic acid can be used when honey supers are on the hive.

Oxalic acid is used to treat colonies during low brood periods, packages, or swarms. This product can also be used as a "clean up" Varroa treatment following the application of a different acaricide where Varroa infestations continue to be problematic.

#### VAPORIZER METHOD:

#### [For use with 1.0 gram tablets]

[Apply only to outdoor colonies with a restricted lower hive entrance. Seal all upper hive entrances and cracks with tape to avoid escape of Oxalic Acid Dihydrate vapor. Smoke bees up from the bottom board. Place two (2) Tablets (2 grams) per deep hive body (brood chamber) of Oxalic Acid Dihydrate. Follow the vaporizer manufacturer's directions for use. Insert the vaporizer apparatus through the bottom entrance. Apply heat until all Oxalic Acid Dihydrate has sublimated.]

RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT: Oxalic acid's mechanism of action is unknown at this time. Any Varroa mite population has the potential to become resistant to acaricides. Resistance development is affected by both the frequency of application and rate/dose of application.

Continued reliance on a single class of miticide or single miticide with the same mode of action will select for resistant individuals which may dominate the mite population in subsequent generations. In order to prevent resistance development and to maintain the usefulness of individual insecticides it is important to adopt appropriate resistant management strategies.

To delay resistance:

- When possible, rotate the use of miticides to reduce selection pressure as compared to repeatedly using the same product, mode or action or chemical class. If multiple applications are required, use a different mode of action each time before returning to a previously used one.
- Base miticide use on Integrated Pest Management (IPM). This includes proper pest identification, monitoring for locality specific economic threshold and economic injury levels, record keeping, and utilizing all available control practices (cultural, biological and chemical).
- Maximize efficacy by following all label instructions including dosage and timing of application.

## 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: Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

CONTAINER HANDLING: Nonrefillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container.

CONTAINER DISPOSAL: Triple rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying. Offer for recycling, if available. Otherwise, puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or, by incineration.

Manufactured [by][for]: Mike's Bees, LLC. 1100 Highland Ave. Cambridge, Ohio 43725 [ezox.mikesbees@gmail.com]

[Following claims/statements/graphics are optional and maybe found on the product label:]

Company logo:



Veteran owned business



- EZ use
- EZ to use
- Easy to [use][and][measure]
- Easy-to-use
- Premeasured
- Premeasured so no waste

- Effective varroa mite treatment
- Varroa mite treatment
- Use to control varroa mite [on honey bees]
- Effective against varroa mites
- For use to control varroa mites on honey bees
- No Bull Mite Control
- Love Your Bees Treat With These
- No Muss No Fuss
- Measuring scoop included

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## 11/26/2024 PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

## DANGER POISON



Fatal if swallowed. Corrosive. Causes irreversible eye damage. Causes skin burns. May be fatal if absorbed through the skin. May be fatal if inhaled. Do not get on skin, in eyes, or on

clothing. Do not breathe vapor or spray mist. Wear protective clothing, eyewear, and respiratory protection as listed under "Personal Protective Equipment."

#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Handlers and Applicators who apply product by the Solution Method must wear:

- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Socks and shoes
- Chemical resistant gloves (barrier laminate, butyl rubber ≥14 mils., nitrile rubber ≥ 14 mils., neoprene rubber ≥ 14 mils., natural rubber ≥ 14 mils., polyethylene, polyvinyl chloride ≥ 14 mils., or Viton ≥ 14 mils.)
- Protective eyewear such as goggles
- Wear a minimum of a NIOSH-approved particulate filtering facepiece respirator with any N, R or P filter.

Handlers and Applicators who apply product by the Vaporizer Method must wear:

- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Socks and shoes
- Chemical resistant gloves (barrier laminate, butyl rubber ≥14 mils., nitrile rubber ≥ 14 mils., neoprene rubber ≥ 14 mils., natural rubber ≥ 14 mils., polyethylene, polyvinyl chloride ≥ 14 mils., or Viton ≥ 14 mils.)
- Protective eyewear (goggles or face shield)
- Wear a minimum of a NIOSH-approved elastomeric half mask respirator with acid gas cartridges and combination N, R, or P filters.

User Safety Requirements:

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

Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet. Remove clothing/PPE immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.

Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

### **DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

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

READ THIS LABEL: Read the entire label. This product must be used strictly in accordance with this label's precautionary statements and use directions, as well as with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations.

**USE RESTRICTIONS:** 

Oxalic Acid Dihydrate applications are for inhive use only. DO NOT use in enclosed overwintering areas. Apply only when monitoring indicates treatment is required. Consult state

guidelines and local extension experts for monitoring protocols and thresholds for treatment.

**APPLICATION DIRECTIONS:** 

Use Oxalic Acid Dihydrate when little or no brood is present as Oxalic Acid Dihydrate will not control Varroa mites in capped brood and may damage bee brood. Consult state guidelines and local extension experts about best application practices when applying Oxalic Acid Dihydrate when capped brood is present because multiple treatments several days apart will be needed to reduce successive cohorts of adult mites.

Oxalic acid can be used when honey supers are on the hive.

Oxalic acid is used to treat colonies during low brood periods, packages, or swarms. This product can also be used as a "clean up" Varroa treatment following the application of a different acaricide where Varroa infestations continue to be problematic.

**SOLUTION METHOD:** 

Only apply Oxalic Acid Dihydrate as a solution when mixed with sugarwater. IMPORTANT: To completely dissolve Oxalic Acid Dihydrate, use warm syrup.

Dissolve 2 grams of Oxalic Acid Dihydrate in ¼ cup (59 ml) of 1:1 sugar: water (weight: volume). Smoke bees down from the top bars. With a syringe or an applicator, trickle 0.03 fl oz (5 ml) of this solution directly onto the bees in each occupied bee space in each brood box. The maximum dose is 1.7 fl oz (50 ml) per colony whether bees are in nucs, single, or multiple brood chambers. Under certain unfavorable conditions (e.g., weak colonies, unfavorable overwintering conditions), this application method may cause some bee mortality or overwintering bee loss.

#### [SPRAYING PACKAGE BEES:

Ensure bees are clustered before applying oxalic acid (for example store in cool dark location 24 hours before application).

Spray broodless package bees with a 1:1 sugar: water solution at least 2 hours before spraying with oxalic acid. This allows bees to fill honey stomachs with sugar water reducing ingestion of oxalic acid.

Mix a 2.8% oxalic acid solution by dissolving 2 grams of Oxalic Acid Dihydrate in t o <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup (59 ml) 1:1 sugar: water (weight: volume). Evenly apply 0.1 fl oz (3.0 mL) of 2.8% oxalic acid solution per 1,000 bees using a pump sprayer or battery powered sprayer

(For example, a typical 2 lb package contains approximately 7,000 bees which requires 0.71 fl oz. (21 mL) of solution). Apply solution evenly on both sides of the package.

Store bees in a cool darkened room for 72 hours before hiving.]

#### VAPORIZER METHOD:

Apply only to outdoor colonies with a restricted lower hive entrance. Seal all upper hive entrances and cracks with tape to avoid escape of Oxalic Acid vapor. Smoke bees up from the bottom board, Place two (2) grams of Oxalic Acid Powder per deep brood chamber into the vaporizer. Follow the vaporizer manufacturer's directions for use. Insert the vaporizer apparatus through the bottom entrance. Apply heat until all Oxalic Acid has sublimated.

RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT: Oxalic acid's mechanism of action is unknown at this time. Any Varroa mite population has the potential to become resistant to acaricides. Resistance development is affected by both the frequency of application and rate/dose of application.

Continued reliance on a single class of miticide or single miticide with the same mode of action will select for resistant individuals which may dominate the mite

population in subsequent generations. In order to prevent resistance development and to maintain the usefulness of individual insecticides it is important to adopt appropriate resistant management strategies.

To delay resistance:

- When possible, rotate the use of miticides to reduce selection pressure as compared to repeatedly using the same product, mode or action or chemical class. If multiple applications are required, use a different mode of action each time before returning to a previously used one.
- Base miticide use on Integrated Pest Management (IPM). This includes proper pest identification, monitoring for locality specific economic threshold and economic injury levels, record keeping, and utilizing all available control practices (cultural, biological and chemical).
- Maximize efficacy by following all label instructions including dosage and timing of application.

#### 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: Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

CONTAINER HANDLING: Nonrefillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container.

CONTAINER DISPOSAL: Triple rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying. Offer for recycling, if available. Otherwise, puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or, by incineration.

[Warranty]

[Following claims/statements/graphics are optional and maybe found on the product label:]

Company logo:



Veteran owned business



- EZ use
- EZ to use
- Easy to [use][and][measure]
- Easy-to-use
- Effective varroa mite treatment
- Varroa mite treatment
- Use to control varroa mite [on honey bees]
- Effective against varroa mites
- For use to control varroa mites on honey bees

- No Bull Mite Control
- Measuring scoop included

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## [Sublabel C] EZ-OX Oxalic Acid

[Alternate Brand Name: EZ-OX Tablets or Powder]

### **Active Ingredient:**

Oxalic Acid Dihydrate:	. 97.0%
Inert Ingredients	3.0%
TOTAL:	100.0%

EPA Reg. No. 101743-2 EPA Est. No. [101743-OH-1][101743-OH-2]

Net Contents: [See below options] [For use with 1.0 gram tablets] [50 tablets (1 gram each)] or [100 tablets (1.0 gram each)] or [500 tablets (1.0 grams each)]

[For use as a powder] [400 gram] [2 lb] [5 lb] [various size packages]

Batch Code / Year (See package)

## **KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

DANGER-PELIGRO POISON



	FIRST AID
If swallowed	<ul> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow.</li> <li>DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING unless told to by the poison control center or doctor.</li> <li>Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.</li> </ul>
If in eyes	<ul> <li>Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye.</li> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor for advice.</li> </ul>
If on skin or clothing	<ul> <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 advice.</li> </ul>

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If inhaled	<ul> <li>Move person to fresh air.</li> <li>If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, if possible. DO NOT use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance, use respiratory medical device.</li> <li>Call a poison control center or doctor for advice.</li> </ul>
	POISON CONTROL CENTER USA
	(800) 222-1222

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center, doctor, or going for treatment.

For non-emergency information concerning this product, call the National Pesticides Information Center (NPIC) at 1-800-858-7378 seven days a week, 6:30am to 4:30pm Pacific Time (NPIC Website: www.npic.orst.edu)

## NOTE TO PHYSICIAN

Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage. Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Treatment should be rapidly instituted by giving a dilute solution of calcium lactate, limewater, finely pulverized chalk, plaster, and/or milk to supply large amounts of calcium to inactivate oxalate by forming an insoluble calcium salt in the stomach. Gastric lavage is controversial, since this may compound an already severe corrosive lesion in the esophagus or stomach. However, if used, gastric lavage should be done with limewater (calcium hydroxide). Intravenous gluconate or calcium chloride solutions should be given to prevent hypo calcemic tetany; in severe cases parathyroid extract also has been given. Additionally, acute renal failure should be anticipated, and careful fluid management is necessary. Metabolically its toxicity is believed to be due to the capacity of oxalic acid to immobilize calcium and thus upset the calcium- potassium ratio in critical tissues. Effective therapy against burns from oxalic acid involves replacement of calcium.

## PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS

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PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Handlers and Applicators who apply product by the Vaporizer Method must wear:

- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Socks and shoes
- Chemical resistant gloves (barrier laminate, butyl rubber ≥14 mils., nitrile rubber ≥ 14 mils., neoprene rubber ≥ 14 mils., natural rubber ≥ 14 mils., polyethylene, polyvinyl chloride ≥ 14 mils., or Viton ≥ 14 mils.)
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User Safety Requirements:

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### DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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## **USE RESTRICTIONS:**

Oxalic Acid Dihydrate applications are for in-hive use only. DO NOT use in enclosed overwintering areas.

Apply only when monitoring indicates treatment is required. Consult state guidelines and local extension experts for monitoring protocols and thresholds for treatment.

## **APPLICATION DIRECTIONS:**

This package contains either Tablets or Powder, follow the appropriate directions.

## Tablets are to be used for the Vaporization Method only.

Use Oxalic Acid Dihydrate when little or no brood is present as Oxalic Acid Dihydrate will not control Varroa mites in capped brood and may damage bee brood. Consult state guidelines and local extension experts about best application practices when applying Oxalic Acid Dihydrate

when capped brood is present because multiple treatments several days apart will be needed to reduce successive cohorts of adult mites.

Oxalic acid can be used when honey supers are on the hive.

Oxalic acid is used to treat colonies during low brood periods, packages, or swarms. This product can also be used as a "clean up" Varroa treatment following the application of a different acaricide where Varroa infestations continue to be problematic.

### VAPORIZER METHOD:

**NOTE:** Two (2) grams of Oxalic Acid per Deep Hive Box is the maximum legal dose with The Vaporization Method.

[For use with 1.0 gram tablets]

[Apply only to outdoor colonies with a restricted lower hive entrance. Seal all upper hive entrances and cracks with tape to avoid escape of Oxalic Acid Dihydrate vapor. Smoke bees up from the bottom board. Place two (2) Tablets (2.0 grams) per deep hive body (brood chamber) of Oxalic Acid Dihydrate. Follow the vaporizer manufacturer's directions for use. Insert the vaporizer apparatus through the bottom entrance. Apply heat until all Oxalic Acid Dihydrate has sublimated.]

#### [For use with powder]

[Apply only to outdoor colonies with a restricted lower hive entrance. Seal all upper hive entrances and cracks with tape to avoid escape of Oxalic Acid vapor. Smoke bees up from the bottom board, Place two (2) grams of Oxalic Acid Powder per deep brood chamber into the vaporizer. Follow the vaporizer manufacturer's directions for use. Insert the vaporizer apparatus through the bottom entrance. Apply heat until all Oxalic Acid has sublimated.]

[For use with a 1.0 gram tablet **OR** as a powder]

[Apply only to outdoor colonies with a restricted lower hive entrance. Seal all upper hive entrances and cracks with tape to avoid escape of Oxalic Acid vapor. Smoke bees up from the bottom board, Place two (2) grams of Oxalic Acid Powder **OR** two (2) one gram Tablets per deep brood chamber into the vaporizer. Follow the vaporizer manufacturer's directions for use. Smoke bees up from the bottom board. Insert the vaporizer apparatus through the bottom entrance. Apply heat until all Oxalic Acid has sublimated.]

#### SOLUTION METHOD:

Use only Oxalic Acid Dihydrate Powder for this method. DO NOT use tablets.

Only apply Oxalic Acid Dihydrate as a solution when mixed with sugarwater. IMPORTANT: To completely dissolve Oxalic Acid Dihydrate, use warm syrup.

Dissolve 2 grams of Oxalic Acid Dihydrate Powder in  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup (59 ml) of 1:1 sugar: water (weight: volume). Smoke bees down from the top bars. With a syringe or an applicator, trickle 0.03 fl oz (5 ml) of this solution directly onto the bees in each

occupied bee space in each brood box. The maximum dose is 1.7 fl oz (50 ml) per colony whether bees are in nucs, single, or multiple brood chambers. Under certain unfavorable conditions (e.g., weak colonies, unfavorable overwintering conditions), this application method may cause some bee mortality or overwintering bee loss.

#### [SPRAYING PACKAGE BEES:

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Spray broodless package bees with a 1:1 sugar: water solution at least 2 hours before spraying with oxalic acid. This allows bees to fill honey stomachs with sugar water reducing ingestion of oxalic acid.

Mix a 2.8% oxalic acid solution by dissolving 2 grams of Oxalic Acid Dihydrate Powder into ¼ cup (59 ml) 1:1 sugar: water (weight: volume). Evenly apply 0.1 fl oz (3.0 mL) of 2.8% oxalic acid solution per 1,000 bees using a pump sprayer or battery powered sprayer

(For example, a typical 2 lb package contains approximately 7,000 bees which requires 0.71 fl oz. (21 mL) of solution). Apply solution evenly on both sides of the package.

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- Maximize efficacy by following all label instructions including dosage and timing of application.

## STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

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PESTICIDE DISPOSAL: Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

CONTAINER HANDLING: Nonrefillable container. Do not reuse or refill this container.

CONTAINER DISPOSAL: Triple rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying. Offer for recycling, if available. Otherwise, puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or, by incineration.

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Company logo:



Veteran owned business



- EZ use
- EZ to use
- Easy to [use][and][measure]
- Easy-to-use
- Premeasured
- Premeasured so no waste

- Effective varroa mite treatment
- Varroa mite treatment
- Use to control varroa mite [on honey bees]
- Effective against varroa mites
- For use to control varroa mites on honey bees
- No Bull Mite Control
- Love Your Bees Treat With These
- No Muss No Fuss
- Measuring scoop included

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