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**Subject:** FIFRA 24(c) Registration – SLN Acknowledgment Letter

**SLN Registration Number:** CA210010

**EPA Decision Number:** 580882

**SLN Expiration Date:** 12/31/2026

**Parent EPA Reg. No.:** 100-1562

**Product Name:** Mentor EC

**Active Ingredient:** Propiconazole

Dear Mr. Inouye:

This letter acknowledges receipt of the above-listed Special Local Need (SLN) registration pursuant to Section 24(c) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended. The SLN registration permits modification of the registered use of Mentor EC (containing propiconazole) for post-harvest treatment of lemons to control sour rot. You indicated that the registered alternative products are inadequate either due to lower efficacy or lack of maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the chemicals (and most lemons grown in CA are exported). The registration under Section 3 allows two post-harvest applications at 64 fl oz/100 gal of treatment solution (one prior to storage and one prior to marketing). This SLN permits one treatment at 128 fl oz product/100 gal of treatment solution prior to storage. Therefore, the total rate is equivalent to that allowed on the Section 3 product label. This limited use in lemons is not expected to result in residues exceeding the tolerances established at 40 CFR 180.434 for propiconazole in/on Citrus oil (1000 ppm), and Fruit, citrus, group 10-10 (8.0 ppm), and occupational exposure risks are not expected to be of concern. *However, please note that significant expansion of use of propiconazole in citrus at this higher rate may require updated EPA evaluations and potentially additional data to support.*

The Agency has completed a review of this use and acknowledges the State's SLN registration. Please inform the registrant that we have placed a copy of the SLN label in our files. If you have any questions, please contact Emergency Response Team member Andrea Conrath [(202) 566-2568; [conrath.andrea@epa.gov](mailto:conrath.andrea@epa.gov)].

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ruthanne Loudon".

Ruthanne Loudon, Acting Senior Regulatory Specialist  
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cc: Patti TenBrook, USEPA Region 9



# Department of Pesticide Regulation

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December 13, 2021

FIFRA 24(c) Special Local Need Label (SLN)  
For distribution and use only in the state of California

To allow an increase post-harvest use rate on lemons for control of sour rot (*Geotrichum citri-aurantii*).

## Mentor EC

**EPA Reg. No.:** 100-1562

**SLN #** CA-210010

**Manufacturer:** Syngenta Crop Protection LLC  
P.O. Box 18300  
Greensboro, North Carolina 27419-8300

This label expires and shall not be distributed or used in accordance with this SLN registration after **December 31, 2026.**

### DIRECTIONS FOR USE

- It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.
- This state-specific Section 24(c) labeling must be in the possession of the user at the time of application.
- Follow all applicable directions, restrictions, and precautions on the EPA registered label for Mentor EC (EPA Reg. No. 100-1562) and this label.

**Location:** Statewide

**Crop/Site/Commodity:** Lemons

**Target Pest/Problem:** Sour Rot (*Geotrichum citri-aurantii*)

**Dosage:** 1. Use 128 fluid ounces of product per 100 gallons of water or fruit coating.  
Or  
2. Use 128 fluid ounces of product per 250,000 pounds of fruit.

**Dilution Rate:** See dosage rate.

**Method of Application:** Apply as a single in-line dip/drench or a single in-line aqueous/ fruit coating spray.

**Frequency/Timing of Application:** Only one post-harvest (prior to storage) application.

**Restricted Entry Interval (REI):** 0 days

**Preharvest Interval (PHI):** N/A

**Other Requirements:** None

**Specific Use Restrictions:** 1. If a post-harvest application (prior to storage) is intended to be used, the same crop cannot be treated with a pre-harvest application of a propiconazole fungicide or a post-harvest (after storage) treatment.

Valid until withdrawn, suspended or cancelled by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), the manufacturer, the 24(c) registrant, or the Department of Pesticide Regulation, or expires.

**The County Agricultural Commissioner's (or designee's) signature must be obtained prior to this use.** This does not constitute a recommendation of the Department of Pesticide Regulation and will not prevent quarantine action if illegal residues are found on or in the crop.

To the extent consistent with applicable law, neither the Department nor the county agricultural commissioner, makes any warranty of merchantability, fitness of purpose, or otherwise, expressed or implied, concerning the use of a pesticide in accordance with these provisions. The user and/or grower acknowledge the preceding disclaimer.

Do not use in mixture with other pesticides unless provided for in the labeling. Trial on a small area to check out unanticipated problems is suggested.

**24(c) Registrant:** California Citrus Quality Council  
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**USEPA SLN No.** CA-210010



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COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S SIGNATURE

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

USER'S SIGNATURE

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