

Appendix P. Ultra Low Volume Spray Drift Approach

In order to estimate the spray drift and application efficiency for ultra low volume (ULV) spray applications of dicofol, two scenarios were modeled in AGDRIFT using the Tier III Aerial scenario; CA citrus (to represent orchard) and CA strawberries (representative of crop uses). The spray material was “oil” and its specific gravity was 0.92 (default in AGDRIFT). A low evaporation rate was assumed and the volatile fraction was kept at a minimum (set to 4%). The spray volume was 5 gal/A (obtained from the label). Surface roughness values were derived from the range of values available in AGDRIFT for orchards and crops. The remaining input parameters in AGDRIFT were kept at their default values (unless otherwise specified in the table below). In order to obtain the level of drift, the toolbox “Deposition Assessment” was utilized. The dimensions of the standard pond were entered in the toolbox, and the Fraction of Applied was obtained. Viewing the Numerical Values screen, the Application Efficiency was obtained. This is the input value utilized in PRZM/EXAMS. **Table P.1** shows the input parameters utilized in AGDRIFT runs.

| Table P.1. Input Parameters for AGDRIFT for Dicofol | |
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| Parameter | Value |
| Aircraft type | Air tractor AT-401, fixed wing |
| Swath width | 60 ft |
| Wing semispan | 24.5 ft |
| Swath displacement | 0 ft |
| Propeller rpm | 2000, propeller rad. 4.5 ft |
| Fixed wing | 1 engine |
| Flight lines | 20 |
| Flight speed | 120 mph |
| Boom height | 15 ft |
| Number of nozzles | 42 |
| Vortex decay rate | 1.25 mph |
| Aircraft drag coefficient | 0.1 |
| Propeller efficiency | 0.8 |
| Ambient pressure | 29.91 in Hg |
| Planform area | 294 ft ² |
| Nozzle spacing (even) | 0.78 ft |
| Wind speed | 10 mph |
| Wind direction | 90°, perpendicular to flight path |
| Surface roughness | 0.75 ft (orchard), 0.12 ft (row crop) |
| Relative humidity | 50% |
| Temperature | 86°F |
| Droplet type | ASE Very Fine |
| Spray material | Oil |
| Specific gravity | 0.92 |
| Active rate | 3 lbs ai/A (orchard), 2 lbs ai/A (row crop) |
| Nonvolatile rate | 4.4 lbs/A (5 gal/A x 0.92 lbs/gal x 0.96) |
| Spray volume | 5 gal/A |
| Evaporation rate | 1 µm ² /°C/sec |
| Buffer zone | 450 ft |
| Downwind water body width | 208.7 |
| Average depth | 6.6 ft ~ 2 m |

Results of the AGDRIFT runs generated a spray drift fraction of 0.109 and 0.117 for orchards and row crops, respectively. The application efficiency was 0.727 and 0.72 for orchards and row crops, respectively.