Bayer CropScience

Material Safety Data Sheet



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Option® Corn Herbicide

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SECTION 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY INFORMATION

Product Name Option® Corn Herbicide

Chemical Name Foramsulfuron

Common Name

MSDS Number 1661

Chemical Family Sulfonylurea

Chemical Formulation

EPA Registration No. 264-685

Product Use A Herbicide for the Control of Annual and Perennial Grass and Broadleaf Weeds

in Field Corn. The maximum use rate for this product is 0.08 pounds active per

acre per use season.

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SECTION 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Hazardous Component Name	CAS No.	Concentration % by Weight	
		Minimum	Maximum
Foramsulfuron Technical	173159-57-4	33.9500	36.0500

SECTION 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

NOTE: Please refer to Section 11 for detailed toxicological information.

Emergency Overview Caution! Hazard to humans and domestic animals. Harmful if swallowed.

Moderate eye irritation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Prolonged or

frequently repeated skin contact may cause allergic reactions in some

individuals.

Physical State Solid fine granules

Odor Slight Aromatic

Routes of Exposure Eye contact, Ingestion, Skin contact

Immediate Effects

Eye Moderate eye irritation. Avoid contact with the eyes.

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Skin Prolonged or frequently repeated skin contact may cause allergic reactions in

some individuals. Avoid contact with skin and clothing.

Ingestion Harmful if swallowed.

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center

or doctor or going for treatment.

Eye 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. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

Skin Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove

contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a poison control center or doctor for

treatment advice.

Ingestion Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. DO NOT induce

vomiting unless directed to do so by a physician or poison control center. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. Call a poison control center or

doctor immediately for treatment advice.

SECTION 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flash Point Not applicable

Fire and Explosion

Hazards

Accumulation of fine dust may entail the risk of a dust explosion in the presence

of air.

Suitable Extinguishing

Media

Alcohol foam, Dry chemical, Water spray, Carbon dioxide (CO2)

Fire Fighting Instructions

Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Dike area to prevent runoff and contamination of water sources. Fight fire from upwind position. Cool closed containers exposed to fire with water spray. Equipment or

materials involved in pesticide fires may become contaminated.

Firefighters should wear NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus

and full protective clothing.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

General and Disposal Use proper protective equipment to minimize personal exposure (see Section 8).

Take all necessary action to prevent and to remedy the effects of the spill. Any disposal practice must be in compliance with all Federal, State/provincial, and

local laws and regulations.

Land Spill or Leaks Clean-up methods - small spillage

Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Do not create a powder cloud by using a brush or compressed air. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Place in an approved chemical waste

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container for disposal. Rinse spill area with small amount of soapy water. Rinse with water.

Clean-up methods - large spillage

To avoid ignition of vapours by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded. Stop leak if you can do so without coming into contact with spilled material. Dike far ahead of liquid spill for later disposal. Do not allow material to enter streams, sewers, or other waterways or contact vegetation. Contact Bayer for further assistance if necessary.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling Procedures Use proper protective equipment to minimize personal exposure (see Section 8).

Storing Procedures Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal. Keep container

tightly closed. Avoid cross contamination with other pesticides.

Work/Hygienic Procedures

Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the

If no such instructions for washables, use detergent and hot water. Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

Do not enter or allow worker entry into treated areas during the restricted entry interval (REI) of 12 hours.

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.

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Controls When handlers used closed systems, enclosed cabs, or aircraft in a manner that

meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [(40 CFR 170.240(d) (4-6)], the handler PPE requirements

may be reduced or modified as specified in the WPS.

Eye/Face Protection Appropriate ANSI Z87 approved equipment should be selected for the particular

use intended for this material.

Hand Protection Chemical resistant gloves made of waterproof material such as polyethylene or

polyvinyl chloride.

Body Protection Wear long-sleeved shirt and long pants and shoes plus socks.

Respiratory Protection When respirators are required, select NIOSH approved equipment based on

actual or potential airborne concentrations and in accordance with the appropriate regulatory standards and/or Industry recommendations.

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General Protection Educate and train employees in safe use of the product. Eye wash facility and

safety shower should be available. Follow all label instructions. Follow

manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining PPE. If no such instructions

for washables, use detergent and hot water.

Exposure Limits None Established

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State Solid fine granules

Odor Slight Aromatic

pH 5.3 (1% in distilled water)

Density 0.56 - 0.64 g/mL

Minimum Explosion

Conc. (MEC)

90g/cm3

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability 24 Months

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

25 °C

Hazardous Polymerization

(Conditions to Avoid)

Will not occur.

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Oral Toxicity Rat: LD50: 3,881 mg/kg

Acute Dermal Toxicity Rat: LD50: > 5,000 mg/kg

Acute Inhalation Toxicity Rat: LC50: > 5.32 mg/l

Determined on milled granules.

Skin Irritation Rabbit: moderately irritant

Eye Irritation Rabbit: Mildly irritating.

Sensitization Guinea pig: sensitizing

Chronic Toxicity The following data is based on Foramsulfuron.

The oncogenic potential of foramsulfuron was examined in bioassays with rats and mice with dietary exposure periods of 2 years and 18 months, respectively.

In rats, dietary administration of up to 20,000 ppm of foramsulfuron for 2 years, equivalent to achieved intakes of 849 and 1,135 mg/kg/day for males and females, respectively, did not yield any evidence of toxicity or oncogenicity. The

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mean daily intakes over the 1-year period were 976 and 1,305 mg/kg/day for males and females, respectively. Thus this dose level approximated to the international regulatory limit dose of 1,000 mg/kg/day.

Similarly in mice, no oncogenic activity was found after dietary treatment with up to 8,000 ppm (equating to 1,115 and 1,358 mg/kg/day in males and females, respectively) for 18 months, which was slightly in excess of the international limit dose.

Assessment Carcinogenicity

ACGIH

None

NTP

None

IARC

None

OSHA

None

Reproductive & Developmental Toxicity

Developmental Toxicity

In a rat developmental study, no maternal or developmental effects were considered to have been related to test article administration at any of the doses tested (NOAEL = 1,000 mg/kg/day)

In a rabbit developmental study, no maternal or developmental effects were considered to have been related to test article administration at any of the doses tested (NOAEL = 500 mg/kg/day for maternal and developmental toxicity).

Reproductive Toxicity

There were no apparent effects on any parental or offspring parameters which appeared to have been the result of test article administration. The systemic, reproduction and offspring NOAELs for both generations were the Highest Dose Tested (mg/kg/day = 1,082 and 1,349 for P and F1 males; 1,229 and 1,434 for P and F1 females).

Neurotoxicity

The following is based on Foramsulfuron.

Foramsulfuron is a sulfonylurea herbicide which has no structural relationship to neurotoxic substances. Moreover, its very low and non-specific toxicological profile shows no evidence of neurotoxic potential. Consequently no special studies have been conducted for this.

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity to Aquatic Plants
Toxicity to other
organisms

Acute Exposure

The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient.

Bobwhite quail LD50: > 2,000 mg/kg

Acute Exposure

The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient.

Mallard duck

LD50: > 2,000 mg/kg

Short Term Exposure Limit (STEL):

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The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient.

Bobwhite quail LC50: > 5,000 ppm

Short Term Exposure Limit (STEL):

The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient.

Mallard duck

LC50: > 5,000 ppm

Long Term Exposure/Reproduction

The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient.

Bobwhite quail NOEC: 1,000 ppm

Long Term Exposure/Reproduction

The value mentioned relates to the active ingredient.

Mallard duck

NOEC: 1,000 ppm

Environmental Precautions

Do not allow this product to drift on to non-target areas. 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 surface or ground water by cleaning equipment or disposal of wastes, including equipment wash water.

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SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

General Disposal

Guidance

Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an

approved waste disposal facility.

Container Disposal Triple rinse containers. 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.

RCRA Classification Not Regulated under this Statute

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT CLASSIFICATION:

Not regulated for Domestic Surface Transportation

FREIGHT CLASSIFICATION:

Compounds, Tree or Weedkilling, N.O.I., other than poison, having a density of 20 LBS or greater per cubic foot

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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US Federal Regulations

TSCA list

None

US. Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt D)

None

SARA Title III - section 302 - notification and information

None

SARA Title III - section 313 - toxic chemical release reporting

None

US States Regulatory Reporting

CA Prop65

This product does not contain any substances known to the State of California to cause cancer.

This product does not contain any substances known to the State of California to cause reproductive harm.

US State right-to-know ingredients

None

Canadian Regulations

Canadian Domestic Substance List

None

Environmental

CERCLA

None

Clean Water Section 307 Priority Pollutants

None

Safe Drinking Water Act Maximum Contaminant Levels

None

International Regulations

EU Classification

None

European Inventory of Existing Commercial Substances (EINECS)

None

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

NFPA 704: (National Fire Protection Association)

Health - 2 Flammability - 1 Reactivity - 0 Others - None

0 = minimal hazard, 1 = slight hazard, 2 = moderate hazard, 3 = severe hazard, 4 = extreme hazard

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