

TDS METAREX AMBA[®]

MAPP 13461

For the control of slugs in field crops, vegetables, fruit crops, ornamentals and glasshouse crops

Bait containing 4% w/w metaldehyde

TDS METAREX AMBA contains Bitrex[™]

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Operator protection

Engineering control of operator exposure must be used where reasonably practicable in addition to the following personal protective equipment:

WEAR SUITABLE PROTECTIVE CLOTHING (COVERALLS) AND SUITABLE PROTECTIVE GLOVES when handling the pellets, applying by hand-held equipment and when handling contaminated surfaces

However, engineering controls may replace personal protective equipment if a COSHH assessment shows they provide an equal or higher standard of protection

WASH HANDS before meals and after work

When using do not eat, drink or smoke

If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label

Environmental protection

DANGEROUS TO GAME, WILD BIRDS AND ANIMALS. Bury or remove spillages

KEEP POULTRY OUT OF TREATED AREAS for at least 7 days following treatment

DO NOT CONTAMINATE SURFACE WATERS OR DITCHES with chemical or used container

Storage and disposal

KEEP IN ORIGINAL CONTAINER, tightly closed in a safe place

EMPTY CONTAINER COMPLETELY, and dispose of safely

STORE IN A DRY PLACE

Keep out of the reach of children.

Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs.

To avoid risks to man and the environment, comply with the instructions for use

Safety data sheet available for professional user on request

The (COSHH) Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations may apply to the use of this product at work

Net Weight 15 kg e

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

FOR USE ONLY AS AN AGRICULTURAL/HORTICULTURAL MOLLUSCICIDE

Situations for use: On natural surfaces not intended to bear vegetation and on all edible and non edible crops

Maximum individual dose: 7 kg/ha

Potatoes & Cauliflowers:

Maximum total dose per crop; 17.5 kg product/ha
Latest time of application; Potatoes; 21 days before harvest
Cauliflowers; 7 days before harvest

READ THE LABEL BEFORE USE. USING THIS PRODUCT IN A MANNER THAT IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LABEL MAY BE AN OFFENCE. FOLLOW THE CODE OF PRACTICE FOR USING PLANT PROTECTION PRODUCTS

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

IMPORTANT: This information is approved as part of the Product Label. All instructions within this section must be read carefully in order to obtain safe and successful use of this product

Restrictions/Warnings

Late application of pellets to broad-leaved plants may result in lodging of pellets in foliage. Care should be taken to avoid this when making applications to edible crops.

Slug control

TDS METAREX AMBA mini pellets immobilise slugs. Death follows. Best results are achieved by application during mild damp weather when slugs are most active but when rain is not expected. TDS METAREX AMBA may be applied in standing crops.

To establish the need for pellet application on winter wheat or oilseed rape, monitor for slug activity. Where bait traps are used, use a foodstuff attractive to slugs e.g. chicken layer's mash which has proven to be effective. DO NOT use slug pellets in traps in these crops since they are a potential hazard to wildlife and pets.

Put slug traps out before cultivation, when the soil surface is visibly moist and the weather mild (5-25°C). Traps consist of a cover about 25cm across, with a small heap (20ml or 2 heaped teaspoons) of chicken layer's mash (NOT slug pellets) beneath. In each field, nine traps (13 in fields larger than 20ha) should be set out in a 'W' pattern. Also, concentrate on areas known to suffer damage. Leave traps overnight and examine early the following morning.

HGCA research has suggested the following thresholds may be used for guidance:

For winter wheat, a catch of 4 or more slugs per trap indicates a possible risk, where soil and weather conditions favour slug activity.

For winter oilseed rape a catch of 4 or more slugs in standing cereals, or 1 or more in cereal stubble, if other conditions were met, would also indicate possible risk of damage

For further information on slug trapping and damage risk assessment, please refer to HGCA Topic Sheets No. 84 (winter wheat) and 85 (oilseed rape), available from the HGCA website (www.hgca.com).

Application

TDS METAREX AMBA mini pellets may be applied by hand or mechanical distributor. Where slug attack is heavy it may be necessary to repeat the application.

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COMPANY ADVISORY INFORMATION

(This section does not form part of the product label under the Control of Pesticides Regulations 1986, but provides additional advice on product use)

- Slug pellets are pesticides, keep pesticides out of water
- Pellets should not fall within 5m of a watercourse or ditch. To achieve this, users should determine the spread width of the applicator with the product to be applied prior to any application (to the rear as well as the side of the applicator)
- Calibrate your applicator before use
- Fill and clean application equipment in the field
- Do not fill or clean down application equipment in the yard
- Avoid applying slug pellets when heavy rain is forecast
- Check that product packaging is intact and clear up spillages immediately

APPROVED

Section 6 of the Health and Safety at Work Act

Additional Product Safety Information

(This section does not form part of the product label under the Control of Pesticides Regulations 1986)

The product label provides information on a specific pesticidal use of the product; do not use otherwise, unless you have assessed any potential hazard involved, the safety measures required and that the particular use has “off-label” approval or is otherwise permitted under the Control of Pesticides Regulations.

The information on this label is based on the best information available including data from test results

DISPOSAL

Follow the guidance on the disposal of pesticides as given in Section 5 of the DEFRA Code of practice for using plant protection products.

PREPARATION: Dangerous for domestic animals. It is therefore necessary that measures are taken not to expose the preparation to non-target wild or domestic animals or pets. Do not put in domestic waste. Do not release into drains or waterways. Refer to local waste and Environmental regulations.

PACKAGING: the empty container should not be used for any other purpose and should be disposed of considering the comments above.

SPILLAGE

PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS: wear disposable latex or similar flexible gloves

ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS and METHODS FOR CLEANING UP: gather the bait with tools (shovel, broom for example) while respecting the above-mentioned instructions for use. Retrieve the product by sweeping or suction. Recover the product as much as possible, place it in a receptacle (drum), label and have it destroyed by an approved contractor. NB: inform the local office of the Environment Agency or in Scotland the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency if the spillage enters a drain leading to a watercourse. If the spillage enters a drain leading to a sewage works, contact the Regional Water plc, or in Scotland the relevant water authority.

MEDICAL INFORMATION

No known antidote, apply a symptomatic treatment (pumping out of the stomach, administration of active charcoal and laxative).

CLINICAL POISONING SYMPTOMS: Nervous and digestive disorder.

GUIDE TO DOCTOR: Contact De Sangosse on; 01223 811215, Outside office hours; 01485 544230 or 01638 577581 or the National Poison Information Service

FIRST AID

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Remove the affected person from the work area. Take to a well-ventilated place and protect from hypothermia.

INGESTION:

- Wash out mouth with plenty of water.
- If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show the container/label/safety data sheet.
- Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by the poison control centre or doctor.
- Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

SKIN CONTACT:

- Remove contaminated clothing. Launder before re-use.
- Rinse skin immediately with soap and water.
- Monitor for symptoms described above.

EYE CONTACT:

- 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. Monitor for symptoms described above.

INHALATION:

- The preparation is a non-dusty pellet. Inhalation is not a route of exposure in normal condition of use. Due to the small size of the pellet, it is recommended to keep it out of reach of children.

FIRE

There are no unusual fire related hazards. The substance is not highly flammable, is not oxidising or explosive and does not release excess volumes of gases on heating.

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: Use foam, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, or water spray when fighting fires involving this material. Foam or dry chemical fire extinguishing system is preferred to prevent excessive water run off.

EXPOSURE HAZARDS: The preparation does not readily combust. Burning may produce carbon monoxide, acetaldehyde and hydrocarbons.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIREFIGHTING: Normal fire fighting protective equipment.