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This label has been updated according to the re-evaluation decision of Capsaicin and Related Capsaicinoids RVD2023-10. While users are encouraged to follow this updated label immediately, the previously approved label is valid until 30-03-2025 in accordance with the phase out period set out in RVD2023-10. This previously approved label will be provided upon request by emailing hc.pmra.info-arla.sc@canada.ca. In your email please include the product name and Registration number of the label you are requesting.

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# BEAR SHIELD BEAR DETERRENT SPRAY

To Deter Bears from Attacking Humans

Non-Flammable

# RESTRICTED

#### **Pressurized Product**

#### **Active Ingredients:**

Capsaicin	1.0974%
Related capsaicinoids	.0.9641%
Total capsaicinoids	.2.0%

# **REGISTRATION NO. 34369 PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS ACT**

Read the label before using.

Keep Out of Reach of Children



# EXPLOSIVE

# WARNING EYE AND SKIN IRRITANT

Net Contents: [400 g. or 225 g.]

Manufactured by: Guardian Protective Devices, Inc. 154 Cooper Rd., Unit 703

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NOTICE TO USER: This pest control product is to be used only in accordance with the directions on the label. It is an offence under the Pest Control Products Act to use this product in a way that is inconsistent with the directions on the label.

NATURE OF RESTRICTION: For use by authorized customers where the vendor maintains a record of sales, including the name and address of the purchaser, amount purchased together with a signed Notice to Purchaser. Bear Shield Bear Deterrent Spray is designed to be used in wilderness applications to help defend individuals needing assistance when confronted by bears. This product is for spraying the face of aggressive bears only and is not to be used against domestic animals or human beings.

This product has an effective range up to 10.5 to 12.0 metres (35 to 40 feet) [for 225 g. canister] or 13 to 13.7 metres (43 to 45 feet) [for 400 g. canister]. [For reviewers: the specific max distance values will be specific to each formulation *i.e., propellant used*]

[The 225 g canister empties in 5.0 seconds] [The 400 g canister empties in 7.0 seconds]

#### DIRECTIONS FOR USE:

FOR OUTDOOR USE ONLY. Capsaicin sprays have been proven effective in repelling aggressive bears only when sprayed directly into the face, especially in the eyes or on the nose of the animal. This product is only to be used to deter aggressive bears that are attacking or about to attack people. DO NOT seek out encounters with bears. There is no guaranteed method of responding to an aggressive bear encounter because each encounter is unique. This product is a bear attack repellent that may protect users in some unexpected confrontations with these animals but may not be effective in all situations or prevent all injuries. Strict attention to the advice of wildlife professionals on safety is advised. This product must be used only as a last resort. Capsaicin sprays will not repel bears from treated objects or areas. DO NOT spray objects (e.g., tents, clothing) or areas with this product. DO NOT use this product against people or non-target animals. READ THIS ENTIRE LABEL BEFORE TAKING THIS PRODUCT INTO AREAS WHERE AGGRESSIVE BEARS MIGHT BE ENCOUNTERED.

Special procedures must be followed to arm the container, apply the product and restore the safety clip to disarm the container. Before taking this product into bear country, read the directions below and familiarize yourself with these procedures. If you test-fire this container, make sure to discharge downwind and do not depress the actuator tab for more than one-half a second. Do not test-fire in areas inhabited by bears. After test firing, clean nozzle and can with soap and water to remove all residues from the can.

# To Arm and Apply

This product is designed for one-handed operation. Place forefinger through hole in handle with thumb on safety clip curl. Pull safety clip straight back and off using thumb (Fig. 1). Depress actuator tab for burst of spray (Fig. 2).

Aim at face and eyes of bear. Press trigger for 3 seconds to create a barrier of spray between you and the bear. Stop to evaluate the impact of wind and other factors and adjust your aim if needed before spraying again. The maximum effective range is up to 10.5 to 12.0 metres (35 to 40 feet) [225 g canister] or 13 to 13.7 metres (43 to 45 feet) [for 400 g. canister]. Spray is most effective at short range. Avoid discharging upwind and, after discharging, move away to avoid exposure to spray.

#### To Disarm

Replace safety clip by firmly pushing with thumb until audible "snap" is heard (Fig. 3). Check to see if safety clip is securely in place. No gap should be visible between the actuator handle and the safety clip.

**PRECAUTIONS: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.** Severe irritation to eyes, nose, respiratory and skin areas can occur. Persons with respiratory problems or wearing contact lenses should not use this product. Avoid contact with skin and eyes and avoid inhalation of spray.

WHEN TRAVELLING DO NOT STORE IN PASSENGER COMPARTMENT. Contact air carriers for regulations concerning air transport. Contents under pressure. Container may explode if heated. Do not place in hot water or near radiators, stoves, or other sources of heat. Do not leave in hot vehicle. For safety and performance, do not store above 50°C or below 0°C. Be careful not to puncture container. DO NOT INCINERATE THE CONTAINER. Wash hands before touching eyes or face and prior to using the washroom. Use of this product for any purpose other than self-defense against bear attacks is a criminal offense.

#### FIRST AID:

If in eyes: 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 centre or doctor for treatment advice.

If on skin or clothing: take off contaminated clothing. Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15–20 minutes. Call a poison control centre or doctor for treatment advice.

If inhaled: move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably by mouth-to-mouth, if possible. Call a poison control centre or doctor for further treatment advice.

If swallowed: call a poison control centre or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control centre or doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Take container, label or product name and Pest Control Product Registration Number with you when seeking medical attention.

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**DISPOSAL:** When the container is empty, press valve to release all remaining pressure. Dispose of empty container in accordance with Provincial requirements. For information on the disposal of unused, unwanted products, contact your Provincial Regulatory Agency or the Manufacturer. Contact the manufacturer and the provincial regulatory agency in case of a spill, and for clean-up of spills. DO NOT apply to any body of water.

TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION: Treat symptomatically.