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AGRICULTURAL

SUSPENSION

A herbicide for use in field, seed, and sweet corn.

FOR SALE AND USE IN EASTERN CANADA ONLY

### ACTIVE INGREDIENTS:

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Mesotrione.....	37.8 g ai/L
S-metolachlor (and R-enantiomer).....	340 g ai/L

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KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

**CAUTION - EYE IRRITANT  
POTENTIAL SKIN SENSITIZER**

REGISTRATION NO.: **33476**  
PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS ACT

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LABEL

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**DO NOT** use or store near heat or open flame. **DO NOT** apply beyond the field boundary.

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## **5.0 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)**

Wear coveralls over a long-sleeved shirt, long pants, chemical-resistant gloves, socks and chemical-resistant footwear during mixing, loading, application, clean-up and repair. In addition, wear protective eyewear (goggles or face shield) during mixing and loading. Gloves are not required during application within a closed cab.

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**NOTE:** ACURON FLEXI Herbicide contains benoxacor that has been shown to enhance S-metolachlor metabolism in corn.

## **11.0 DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

As this product is not registered for the control of pests in aquatic systems, **DO NOT** use to control aquatic pests.

**DO NOT** contaminate irrigation or drinking water supplies or aquatic habitats by cleaning of equipment or disposal of wastes.

This product may be tank mixed with a fertilizer, a supplement, or with registered pest control products, whose labels also allow tank mixing, provided the entirety of both labels, including Directions For Use, Precautions, Restrictions, Environmental Precautions, and Spray Buffer Zones are followed for each product. In cases where these requirements differ between the tank mix partner labels, the most restrictive label must be followed. Do not tank mix products containing the same active ingredient unless specifically listed on this label.

In some cases, tank mixing pest control products can result in reduced pesticide efficacy or increased host crop injury. The user should contact Syngenta Canada Inc. at 1-87-SYNGENTA (1-877-964-3682) for information before applying any tank mix that is not specifically recommended on this label.

Syngenta Canada Inc. has not fully assessed performance (efficacy) and/or crop tolerance (phytotoxicity) of all potential tank-mixes under all environmental conditions or for all crop varieties. Tank mixes that are not specifically listed on this label should be tested on a small area first, under local conditions and using standard practices, to confirm the tank mix is suitable for

widespread application.

To determine the physical compatibility of this product with other products, use a jar test.

Always read and follow label directions including WALES mixing order.

**Field sprayer application:** **DO NOT** apply during periods of dead calm. Avoid application of this product when winds are gusty. **DO NOT** apply with spray droplets smaller than the American Society of Agricultural Engineers (ASAE S572.1) medium classification. Boom height must be 60 cm or less above the crop or ground.

**DO NOT** apply more than 3.7 L product/ha/season.

**DO NOT** apply any other mesotrione containing products to fields treated with ACURON FLEXI Herbicide in the same year.

**DO NOT** apply by air.

### 11.1 Ground Application

It is important to check the physical compatibility of tank mixed pesticide products in a small volume prior to filling the sprayer. Check the compatibility of tank mixes containing ACURON FLEXI Herbicide using a jar test with proportionate amounts of mix partners, and water, before mixing in the spray tank.

### 11.2 Mixing Instructions

1. Ensure that the sprayer interior is clean, then fill the spray tank with  $\frac{1}{2}$  the required amount of water and engage gentle agitation. Good agitation is indicated by a rippling or rolling action on the surface of the water.
2. Add any WG or DF formulation mix partners and agitate to ensure complete mixing.
3. Add ACURON FLEXI Herbicide and agitate to ensure complete mixing.
4. Add any SE or SC formulation mix partners and agitate to ensure complete mixing.
5. Add any EC formulation mix partners and agitate to ensure complete mixing.
6. Fill the tank to  $\frac{3}{4}$  the required amount of water.
7. Add any solution (SN or SL) formulation mix partners and agitate to ensure complete mixing.
8. Finish filling the sprayer with water, maintaining good agitation.
9. Always ensure that agitation is maintained until spraying is completed. After any break in spraying operations, agitate thoroughly before spraying again. Reduce agitation once tank volume is reduced to about one third of capacity.
10. ACURON FLEXI Herbicide must be sprayed the same day as mixing. Do not allow spray solution to remain in the tank overnight.
11. Do not mix, load or clean spray equipment where there is a potential to contaminate wells or aquatic systems.

When using chemical handling equipment to fill the sprayer, the following additional recommendations apply:

- WG and DF formulations are preferentially batch mixed.
- SC, SN, and SL formulations may be inducted or batch mixed.
- EC formulations are preferentially batch mixed.

### 11.3 Application in Liquid Fertilizers

Nitrogen solutions (such as 28-0-0 UAN), excluding suspension and sulphur containing fertilizers, may replace water as a carrier for pre-emergence applications of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide in corn. Do not use nitrogen solutions as a carrier to corn that has emerged. Always predetermine the compatibility of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide tank mixes with your liquid fertilizer carrier by mixing small proportional quantities in advance. Even if ACURON FLEXI Herbicide is physically compatible with a fluid fertilizer, constant agitation is necessary to maintain a uniform mixture during application.

### 11.4 Spraying Instructions

1. Carrier Volume: Apply in a minimum spray volume of 150 L/ha as per the tabulated instructions below.
2. Sprayer Agitation: Use a jet agitator or liquid sparge tube which recirculates 7-10% of the tank per minute. **DO NOT** use an air sparger.
3. Pump: Screens should be used to protect the pump and prevent clogging. Use 16 mesh or coarser screens on the suction side of the pump. **DO NOT** place a screen in the recirculation line. Use 50 mesh or coarser screens between the pump and boom unless directed otherwise by the sprayer manufacturer.
4. Spray Nozzles: 80° or 110° drift reducing flat fan (e.g. those with a pre-orifice or turbulence chamber) or air induction nozzles are recommended. Use 50 mesh or coarser nozzle screens or as recommended by the nozzle manufacturer. **DO NOT** use flood type nozzles, controlled droplet application equipment, spray foils or hollow cone nozzles.
5. Pressure: As recommended by the nozzle manufacturer to achieve no finer than ASAE medium sized droplets.
6. Apply at uniform speed and avoid overlapping. Avoid operations that contribute to non-uniform application and the potential for crop injury.

Coarse sprays are less likely to drift, therefore, avoid combinations of pressure and nozzle type that will result in fine particles (mist). **DO NOT** apply during periods of dead calm or when wind velocity and direction pose a risk of spray drift. **DO NOT** spray when the wind is blowing towards a nearby sensitive crop, garden, terrestrial habitat (such as shelter-belt) or aquatic habitat.

### 11.5 Sprayer Cleanup

To avoid subsequent injury to other crops, thoroughly clean application equipment immediately after spraying each day. Ensure that all traces of the product are removed. Do not allow residue to dry in spray tank. Do not allow solution to remain in lines or tank overnight. The following procedures are recommended:

1. Drain and flush tank, boom and all hoses for several minutes with clean water. Ensure dead end lines are flushed. **Do not** clean the sprayer near desirable vegetation, wells or other water sources.
2. Prepare a cleaning solution of one part of household ammonia per 25 parts of water. A household detergent may also be added to the solution.
3. Use a pressure washer to clean the inside of the spray tank with this solution. Take care to wash all parts of the tank, including the inside top surface. If a pressure washer is not available, completely fill the sprayer with the cleaning solution to ensure contact of the cleaning solution with all internal surfaces of the tank and plumbing. Start agitation in the

sprayer and thoroughly recirculate the cleaning solution for at least 15 minutes. All visible deposits must be removed from the spraying system.

4. Flush hoses, spray lines, and nozzles for at least 1 minute with the cleaning solution.
5. Dispose of all rinsings in accordance with provincial regulations.
6. Repeat steps 2-5.
7. Remove nozzles, screens, and strainers and clean separately in the ammonia solution after completing the above procedures.
8. Rinse the complete spraying system with clean water.

### 11.6 Spray Buffer Zones

Spot treatments using hand-held equipment **DO NOT** require a spray buffer zone.

The spray buffer zones specified in the table below are required between the point of direct application and the closest downwind edge of sensitive terrestrial habitats (such as grasslands, forested areas, shelter belts, woodlots, hedgerows, riparian areas and shrublands), sensitive freshwater habitats (such as lakes, rivers, sloughs, ponds, prairie potholes, creeks, marshes, streams, reservoirs and wetlands) and estuarine/marine habitats.

Method of application	Crop	Spray Buffer Zones (metres) Required for the Protection of:				Terrestrial habitat
		Freshwater Habitat of Depths:		Estuarine/Marine Habitats of Depths:		
		Less than 1 m	Greater than 1 m	Less than 1 m	Greater than 1 m	
Field sprayer	Corn	2	1	1	1	5

When tank mixes are permitted, consult the labels of the tankmix partners and observe the largest (most restrictive) spray buffer zone of the products involved in the tank mixture and apply using the coarsest spray (ASAE) category indicated on the labels for those tank mix partners.

The spray buffer zones for this product can be modified based on weather conditions and spray equipment configuration by accessing the Spray Buffer Zone Calculator on the Pesticides portion of the Canada.ca web site.

## 12.0 CROP USE DIRECTIONS

### 12.1 Field Corn

<b>Field corn - Surface pre-plant<sup>1</sup>, pre-emergent and post-emergent<sup>5</sup> (up to and including 6 leaf corn)</b>	
<b>PRODUCT RATE</b>	3.7 L/ha
<b>WEEDS</b>	<p>Broadleaf weeds controlled (including triazine, group 2 and glyphosate-tolerant biotypes): American nightshade<sup>2</sup>, Eastern black nightshade, lambsquarters, redroot pigweed, velvetleaf, wild mustard, common ragweed, giant ragweed (suppression) (1 – 10 cm), Canada fleabane (1 – 10 cm), common waterhemp and hairy galinsoga (0 – 10 cm)</p> <p>Grass weeds controlled (up to 2 leaf): Barnyard grass, crabgrass (smooth, hairy), fall panicum, foxtail (green, yellow, giant), witchgrass and yellow nutsedge (suppression) (1 – 15 cm)</p> <p>Grass weeds suppressed<sup>3</sup>: proso millet</p>
<b>PRODUCT RATE</b>	3 L/ha <sup>4</sup>
<b>WEEDS</b>	<p>Short season suppression of:</p> <p>Broadleaf weeds: lambsquarters, redroot pigweed, common ragweed, velvetleaf, Eastern black nightshade, proso millet, American nightshade, wild mustard, common waterhemp, Canada fleabane (1 – 10 cm) and hairy galinsoga (0 – 10 cm)</p> <p>Grass weeds (up to 2 leaf): Barnyard grass, crabgrass (smooth, hairy), fall panicum, foxtails (green, yellow, giant), and witchgrass.</p>
<b>Field corn – Tank mixes - Surface pre-plant<sup>1</sup>, pre-emergent and post-emergent (up to and including 6 leaf corn)</b>	
<b>PRODUCT RATE</b>	3 L/ha or 3.7 L/ha
<b>WEEDS</b>	Control or suppression of annual weeds listed above and burn-down of emerged annual and perennial weeds
<b>TANK MIX PARTNER RATE/HA</b>	900 g ae/ha glyphosate containing products that are registered for burndown of annual and perennial weeds
<b>NOTES</b>	<p>Ground application only</p> <p>For pre-emergent uses, apply in a minimum of 150 L of carrier (water or UAN) per hectare. For post-emergent uses, apply in a minimum of 150 L of water per hectare.</p> <p>Post-emergent applications on Glyphosate tolerant corn only. Residual control or suppression of annual weeds and burn-down of emerged annual and perennial weeds.</p> <p>Higher rates of glyphosate may be recommended in some situations. Refer to the glyphosate product label for further effective rates.</p>

<sup>1</sup> ACURON FLEXI Herbicide may be applied to the soil surface up to 7 days before planting for minimum and no-till systems in corn. If possible, do not move the treated soil out of the row or move untreated soil to the surface during planting or weed control will be diminished.

<sup>2</sup> Pre-emergent treatments sometimes provide better control than pre-plant surface or post-emergent treatments.

<sup>3</sup> Apply prior to proso millet emergence and before other grass weeds exceed the 2-If stage.

<sup>4</sup> For surface preplant and pre-emergent timings, the 3 L/ha rate will provide suppression only through the critical crop establishment phase and is to be used in a planned weed management program with a post-emergent herbicide treatment. Monitor the species and growth stages of escapes in order to better select a post-emergent herbicide application.

<sup>5</sup> Application must be made prior to weed emergence or if weeds have emerged a tank mix with glyphosate

containing products in glyphosate tolerant corn is recommended.



## 12.2 Seed and Sweet Corn

Seed and sweet corn	
<b>APPLICATION TIMING</b>	<b>Pre-emergent only</b>
<b>WEEDS</b>	Control or suppression of annual weeds listed above
<b>PRODUCT RATE</b>	3.7 L/ha
<b>NOTES</b>	Ground application only For pre-emergent uses, apply in a minimum of 150 L of carrier (water or UAN) per hectare. Do not apply to emerged seed or sweet corn.

## 12.3 Pre-Harvest Intervals (PHI)

Do not harvest treated crop prior to the number of days specified in the table below.

Crops	PHI (days)
Field corn forage	45
Sweet corn ears and forage	45
Field corn grain and stover	Harvest at maturity

## 12.4 Use Precautions

ACURON FLEXI Herbicide may be used pre-plant, pre-emergent or post-emergent on field corn and pre-emergent in production seed corn and sweet corn. Not all seed corn inbreds and sweet corn varieties have been tested; the use of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide must be approved by the seed company and comply with the directions given by the seed corn company.

Although ACURON FLEXI Herbicide has a flexible recropping profile, certain crops may be sensitive to low concentrations in the soil. Therefore, careful consideration should be given to crop rotation plans prior to using ACURON FLEXI Herbicide (refer to "*RECROPPING GUIDELINES*").

Dry conditions following application may reduce the preemergent activity of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide. If an activating rain (>1.25 cm) is not received within 7-10 days after a preemergent application, cultivate or use other weed control measures if weeds develop.

Do not apply to soils that contain less than 1% or more than 10% organic matter.

Temporary crop injury (bleaching) may occur under extreme weather conditions or when the crop is under stress due to inadequate or abnormally high moisture levels or extreme temperatures as well as under conditions of insect or plant disease attack, carryover of pesticide residues, use of certain soil applied systemic insecticides, improperly placed fertilizers or soil insecticides. The symptoms are most visible where excessive rates have been applied, such as sprayer overlaps. Corn quickly outgrows these effects and continues to grow normally.

Do not make a foliar postemergent application of any organophosphate or carbamate insecticide within 7 days before or 7 days after a ACURON FLEXI Herbicide application or severe corn injury may occur. Syngenta Canada Inc. will not be held responsible for losses or damage resulting from such use.

ACURON FLEXI Herbicide may be applied prior to or following a pyrethroid-type insecticide such

as FORCE® Insecticide or MATADOR® 120EC Insecticide.

Do not apply ACURON FLEXI Herbicide through any type of irrigation system.

Syngenta will not recommend soybeans and white beans be planted the year following application of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide on soils with a sand or loamy sand soil textural classification. For all other soil textural classifications, however, Syngenta will fully endorse soybeans and white beans planted the year following (11 months) application of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide. Refer to “Recropping Guidelines” section for more information.

Protect sprayer operators from drift or mist. Additional information on spray drift management for GROUND APPLICATIONS is provided in the section “SPRAY DRIFT MANAGEMENT FOR GROUND APPLICATIONS”. When low volumes of spray are applied, complete coverage and thorough application are essential for most effective results. Schedule applications in accordance with local conditions. Consult your local agricultural authorities for specific use information.

### 13.0 RECROPPING GUIDELINES

Certain crops have been shown to be sensitive to low residues of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide in the soil. The minimum recropping interval is the time between the last application of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide and the anticipated date of planting of the next crop.

To avoid injury to subsequent crops after an application at the recommended rate of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide, the following recropping intervals should be observed.

CROP	MINIMAL RECROPPING INTERVAL
Field Corn, Production Seed Corn, Silage Corn and Sweet Corn	Immediately (no restriction)
Winter Wheat	4.5 months
Spring Wheat	10 months
Potatoes	11 months
Soybeans (except on sand or loamy sand soils)*	11 months
White Beans (except on sand or loamy sand soils)*	11 months
All Other Crops	Bioassay (after 12 months)

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Observe the recropping guidelines of any product to be tank mixed with ACURON FLEXI Herbicide.

In the event of crop failure, only field corn (grain or silage), seed corn, or sweet corn can be planted as a salvage crop in the same fields in which the failed crop was treated with ACURON FLEXI Herbicide. An application of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide must NOT be made to the salvage crop.

Land treated with ACURON FLEXI Herbicide CAN ONLY BE PLANTED TO A CROP NOT LISTED IN THE PRECEEDING TABLE if a field bioassay can be successfully performed. The bioassay must indicate normal growth with no yield reductions.

A bioassay may be conducted in any year following the year of application to assess the tolerance of the tested crop intended for planting in the year following the bioassay. Do not conduct a bioassay in the year of application. When conducting a field bioassay, it is very important to select a representative area(s) of the field previously treated with ACURON FLEXI Herbicide to plant the test crop(s).

**WARNING:**

Do not plant any crop other than corn in the same year on land treated with ACURON FLEXI Herbicide as injury may occur. Crops that may be planted following ACURON FLEXI are provided in the recropping guidelines. However, when the rotational crop is subjected to stress conditions, e.g. abnormally hot, dry weather, preceded by extended periods of dry weather the previous season, injury may occur.

**13.1 Field Bioassay**

1. **Representative Sample:**  
Ensure that soil parameters such as soil texture, depth of topsoil layer, soil pH and drainage of the test area selected are representative of the remainder of the field.
2. **Sample Size:**  
The seeded area of each selected bioassay crop must be large enough to ensure that reliable results are obtained. The seedbed preparations and seeding of the bioassay crop(s) should be conducted the same way as when the entire field would be planted.
3. **Other Residual Herbicides:**  
It is important that other herbicide products which are known to have residual activity were not applied to the field between the last application of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide and the bioassay testing period. Avoid the use of other pesticides during the duration of the bioassay as they may damage the indicator crop(s).
4. **Comparisons:**  
Ideally, an untreated check strip in a neighbouring field should be established and monitored for comparison since growing conditions can vary greatly from year to year and may result in erroneous results.
5. **Assessment:**  
The site should be monitored regularly throughout the growing season. Watch for any damage to the crop such as thinning, yellowing or stunting. A yield sample should be taken and compared to an adjacent untreated field.

**DO NOT ROTATE TO OTHER CROPS UNTIL THE BIOASSAY INDICATES NORMAL GROWTH WITH NO YIELD REDUCTIONS.**

***Failure to follow these recropping guidelines could result in injury to seeded crop(s).***

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## 14.0 RESISTANCE-MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

For resistance management, ACURON FLEXI Herbicide is a Group 15 and 27 herbicide. Any weed population may contain or develop plants naturally resistant to ACURON FLEXI Herbicide and other Group 15 and/or 27 herbicides. The resistant biotypes may dominate the weed population if these herbicides are used repeatedly in the same field. Other resistance mechanisms that are not linked to site of action, but specific for individual chemicals, such as enhanced metabolism, may also exist. Appropriate resistance-management strategies should be followed.

### **To delay herbicide resistance:**

Where possible, rotate the use of ACURON FLEXI Herbicide or other Group 15 and/or 27 herbicides within a growing season (sequence) or among growing seasons with different herbicide groups that control the same weeds in a field.

Use tank mixtures with herbicides from a different group when such use is permitted. To delay resistance, the less resistance-prone partner should control the target weed(s) as effectively as the more resistance-prone partner.

Herbicide use should be based on an integrated weed management program that includes scouting, historical information related to herbicide use and crop rotation, and considers tillage (or other mechanical control methods), cultural (for example, higher crop seeding rates; precision fertilizer application method and timing to favour the crop and not the weeds), biological (weed-competitive crops or varieties) and other management practices.

Monitor weed populations after herbicide application for signs of resistance development (for example, only one weed species on the herbicide label not controlled). If resistance is suspected, prevent weed seed production in the affected area if possible by an alternative herbicide from a different group. Prevent movement of resistant weed seeds to other fields by cleaning harvesting and tillage equipment when moving between fields, and planting clean seed.

Have suspected resistant weed seeds tested by a qualified laboratory to confirm resistance and identify alternative herbicide options.

Contact your local extension specialist or certified crop advisors for any additional pesticide resistance-management and/or integrated weed-management recommendations for specific crops and weed biotypes.

For further information and to report suspected resistance, contact company representatives at 1-87-SYNGENTA (1-877-964-3682) or at [www.syngenta.ca](http://www.syngenta.ca).

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