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An ArborSystems™ Direct-Inject™ Chemical

For systemic fungicide suppression of selected diseases in trees.

For use by professional arborists/applicators with the ArborSystems Direct-Inject Tree Injection System. To be used only with the ArborSystems Direct-Inject Tree Injection System.

ACTIVE INGREDIENT:

Propiconazole (CAS No. 60207-90-1) 14.3%

OTHER INGREDIENTS 85.7%

Total: 100.0%

Container Size	Net Contents	AI/Container
120 ml pack	4 fl oz (120 ml)	0.5 oz (14 g)
1000 ml pack	1 qt 2 fl oz (1000 ml)	4.2 oz (116.7 g)

EPA Reg. No. 69117-3 EPA Est. 69117-NE-1

Keep Out of Reach of Children

WARNING

See below for additional precautionary statements and complete Directions for Use.

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Hazards to Humans & Domestic Animals

WARNING: Causes substantial but temporary eye injury. Wear goggles or face shield. Causes skin irritation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Harmful if swallowed, inhaled, or absorbed through skin. Avoid breathing vapor. Wear rubber or neoprene gloves when handling this product. Thoroughly wash with soap and water after handling. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

FIRST AID

Have the product container, label, or Material Safety Data Sheet with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment.

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 center or doctor for treatment advice.

If on Skin or Clothing: Take off contaminated clothing. Immediately rinse skin with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.

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

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 center or doctor for further treatment advice.

Notes to Physician: If ingested, lavage stomach to avoid aspiration. A slurry of activated charcoal in water can be left in the stomach. Give a saline laxative and supportive therapy.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

This product is toxic to fish. 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 water when disposing of equipment wash waters.

PHYSICAL OR CHEMICAL HAZARDS

Do not use or store near heat or open flame.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its label.

GENERAL INFORMATION

ARBORSYSTEMS DIRECT-INJECT TREE INJECTION SYSTEM

The ArborSystems Direct-Inject Tree Injection System is easy to use. Most trees are treated in as little as five minutes or less with no drilling required. Chemical is injected into the cambial area of the tree (the active vascular system). There is no need to wait for absorption (translocation). Because the chemical is placed right where the tree can use it, effectiveness of the chemical is increased. Use in sunny or over-cast conditions, rainy or dry, at any time of day. As no drilling or implants are required, you can treat trees year after year, with no threat of long-term or permanent damage to the tree. Direct-Inject Systems minimize wounding and promote long-term tree vigor.

TREATMENT INFORMATION

Oak trees exhibiting less than 20% crown loss from Oak Wilt will have the best chance of responding to treatment with Shepherd Fungicide. Preventive application is more effective than therapeutic treatment in trees showing disease symptoms. Trees in advanced stages of disease development may not respond to treatment.

Trees exhibiting specific symptoms, or symptomless trees immediately adjacent to a diseased tree, should be considered infected.

Symptomless trees separated by a primary plow line from diseased trees may be at less risk of infection. Do not use on sick plants or plants weakened by extreme environmental conditions such as heat, flooding, cold, etc.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

Use protective eyewear and gloves when handling ArborSystems Direct-Inject chemicals. Use chemical-resistant gloves made of any waterproof material such as barrier laminate, butyl rubber, nitrile rubber, neoprene rubber, natural rubber, polyethylene, polyvinylchloride (PVC) or viton.



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PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

Shepherd Fungicide is a systemic fungicide for use as an injection for prevention and treatment of:

- 1) Oak Wilt (*Ceratocystis fagacearum*) of Oak (*Quercus* spp.)
- 2) Dutch Elm disease (*Ceratocystis ulmi*) of Elms (*Ulmus* spp.)
- 3) Sycamore Anthracnose (*Apiognomonia veneta*)
- 4) Leaf diseases (i.e., *Venturia inaequalis*, *Gymnosporangium juniperi-virginianae*, *Pucciniastrum goeppertianum*, etc.) of Crabapple (*Malus* spp.)

These fungi infect the vascular system and cause plugging throughout the tree. It is recommended that Shepherd Fungicide be administered by trained arborists or others trained in injection techniques and in the identification of Oak Wilt and Dutch Elm disease. When possible, Shepherd Fungicide should be injected into flare roots to ensure even distribution throughout the tree.

DOSAGE

For treatment of Oak Wilt disease for an uninfected Live Oak (not including Red Oak), 3-5 ml per injection site.

For treatment of Dutch Elm disease for an uninfected Elm or Oak other than Live Oak, 5-10 ml per injection site.

For treatment of leaf diseases in Crabapple, 1-2 ml per injection site. (Do not use fruit from treated trees for food or feed purposes.)

For treatment of Anthracnose in Sycamore, 1-2 ml per injection site.

Note: The number of injection sites is based on 1 injection for every 3" to 5" of trunk circumference.

RETREATMENT

Record the level of disease in each tree prior to initial Shepherd Fungicide injection. Consider preventative applications 12 months after the initial injection. Reevaluate the disease level in all trees, particularly those in high disease risk areas or high-value trees, for possible retreatment 12 months after each treatment and/or on an annual basis.

NOTES

1. Accurate diagnosis of Oak Wilt and Dutch Elm disease is important since Shepherd Fungicide provides only suppression of the diseases listed on the label.
2. Shepherd Fungicide will be most effective when used in conjunction with other cultural practices recommended for management of Oak Wilt and Dutch Elm disease (removal of dead elm trees, pruning of diseased tree limbs and branches, control of bark beetles, etc.).
3. If it is difficult to keep all of the chemical in the site, mark this site and move on to the others. When finished moving around to the trees, return to the marked tree and add the required amount of chemical needed.

HOW TO USE ARBORSYSTEMS DIRECT-INJECT CHEMICALS WITH ARBORSYSTEMS DIRECT-INJECT UNITS

1. Use only ArborSystems Direct-Inject chemicals with your unit as they have been formulated specifically for the Direct-Inject systems. Use of other chemicals will invalidate warranty.
2. Attach the container to the Direct-Inject unit and prepare the unit to make injections.
3. Set the delivery volume on the unit.
4. Follow the label directions to determine the amount of chemical and number of injection sites.
5. Determine where to make injections in the bark. Generally, the injection tip is inserted into the fissure (valley) of the tree bark. Inject thin-barked trees in the thicker part of the tree bark. Thick-barked trees require a longer injection tip.
6. Make injections working around the circumference of the tree. Make Wedgle® Tip injections within 12" of the ground. Portle® Tip injection height varies depending on type of tree and location.
7. With a smooth motion, firmly squeeze the injection unit handles. This releases a pre-measured chemical dose into the tree.
8. Continue making injections moving around the tree until the entire tree trunk has been treated.
9. During use, periodically clean the Direct-Inject unit to prevent clogging.

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal.

Storage: Store in a container in a cool, dry place.

Pesticide Disposal: Wastes resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

Container Disposal: Completely empty pack into application equipment, then dispose of empty pack in a sanitary landfill or by incineration, or if allowed by State and local authorities, by burning; if burned, stay out of smoke.

NOTICE OF WARRANTY

ArborSystems warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for use under average conditions when used strictly in accordance with the directions on the labeling. ArborSystems does not make or authorize any agent or representative to make any other warranty, guarantee or representation, express or implied, concerning this product.

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