

ESCORT XP HERBICIDE

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CHEMICAL PRODUCT/COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Material Identification

"ESCORT" is a registered trademark of DuPont.
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Grade: 60% FORMULATION

Tradenames and Synonyms

METSULFURON METHYL

"ESCORT" 60DF

Company Identification

MANUFACTURER/DISTRIBUTOR

DuPont
1007 Market Street
Wilmington, DE 19898

PHONE NUMBERS

Product Information: 1-800-441-7515 (outside the U.S. 302-774-1000)

Transport Emergency: CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300 (outside U.S. 703-527-3887)

Medical Emergency: 1-800-441-3637 (outside the U.S. 302-774-1000)

COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Components

Material	CAS Number	%
METSULFURON METHYL (METHYL 2-[[[(4-METHOXY-6-METHYL-1,3,5-TRIAZIN-2-YL)AMINO]CARBONYL]AMINO]SULFONYL] = BENZOATE)	74223-64-6	60
INERT INGREDIENTS		40

HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

CAUTION! Causes eye irritation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid breathing dust or spray mist.

Potential Health Effects

Based on animal data, eye contact with ESCORT xp may cause eye irritation with tearing, pain or blurred vision.

Based on animal data, repeated dermal contact with the active ingredient may cause skin irritation with itching, burning, redness, swelling or rash.

Carcinogenicity Information

None of the components present in this material at concentrations equal to or greater than 0.1% are listed by IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH as a carcinogen.

FIRST AID MEASURES

First Aid

INHALATION:

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Call a physician.

SKIN CONTACT:

In case of contact, rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes. Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.

EYE CONTACT:

In case of 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. Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.

INGESTION:

No specific intervention is indicated as compound is not likely to be hazardous by ingestion. Consult a physician if necessary.

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. You may also contact 1-800-441-3637 for emergency medical treatment information.

FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable Properties

Not a fire or explosion hazard.
Like most organic powders or crystals, under severe dusting conditions, this material may form explosive mixtures in air.

Extinguishing Media

Water Spray, Foam, Dry Chemical, CO₂.

Fire Fighting Instructions

Evacuate personnel to a safe area. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Wear full protective equipment. Use water spray. Runoff from fire control may be a pollution hazard.

If area is exposed to fire and conditions permit, let fire burn itself out. Burning chemicals may produce by-products more toxic than the original material. If product is on fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective equipment. Use water spray. Control runoff.

ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Safeguards (Personnel)

NOTE: Review FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES and HANDLING (PERSONNEL) sections before proceeding with clean-up. Use appropriate PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT during clean-up.

Emergency Response - Chemical resistant coveralls, waterproof gloves, waterproof boots and face/eye protection. If dusting occurs, use NIOSH approved respirator protection.

Initial Containment

Dike spill. Prevent material from entering sewers, waterways, or low areas.

Follow applicable Federal, State/Provincial and Local laws/ regulations.

Spill Clean Up

Shovel or sweep up.

HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling (Personnel)

Avoid breathing vapors or mist. Avoid breathing dust. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, or clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Wash clothing after use. Do not store or consume food, drink or tobacco in areas where they may become contaminated with this material. **USERS SHOULD:** Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet.

Handling (Physical Aspects)

Keep away from heat, sparks and flames.

Storage

Store product in original container only. Do not contaminate water, other pesticides, fertilizer, food or feed in storage. Store in a cool, dry place. Do not store or consume food, drink or tobacco in areas where they may become contaminated with this material.

EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Controls

Use only with adequate ventilation.

Personal Protective Equipment

Always follow the label instructions when handling this product.

Applicators and other handlers must wear:

Long-sleeved shirt and long pants.

Shoes plus socks.

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

PPE required for early entry to treated areas that is permitted under the Worker Protection Standard and that involves contact with anything that has been treated, such as plants, soil, or water is:

Coveralls.

Shoes plus socks.

Exposure Guidelines

Applicable Exposure Limits

METSULFURON METHYL

PEL (OSHA): None Established

TLV (ACGIH): None Established

AEL * (DuPont): 10 mg/m³, 8 & 12 Hr. TWA

* AEL is DuPont's Acceptable Exposure Limit. Where governmentally imposed occupational exposure limits which are lower than the AEL are in effect, such limits shall take precedence.

PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical Data

Solubility in Water: Dispersible

Odor: Slight

Form: Solid granule

Color: Light brown

Specific Gravity: 1.47 @ 25C (77F)

Bulk Density (Tap Bulk Density): 0.64 - 0.74 g/mL

STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability

Stable at normal temperatures and storage conditions.

Incompatibility with Other Materials

None reasonably foreseeable.

Decomposition

Decomposition will not occur.

Polymerization

Polymerization will not occur.

TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Animal Data

ESCORT xp

Oral LD50: > 5000 mg/kg in rats (Very low toxicity)

Skin LD50: > 2000 mg/kg in rabbits (Slight to moderate toxicity)

ESCORT xp is a slight eye irritant, but is not a skin irritant or skin sensitizer in animal tests.

Metsulfuron Methyl

Inhalation LC50, 4 hr: > 5.3 mg/L in rats (Very low toxicity)

Single exposures of animals to Metsulfuron Methyl by inhalation caused body weight loss and other nonspecific effects.

Repeated applications of Metsulfuron Methyl to the skin of rabbits caused skin irritation but no other changes were observed.

Repeated oral doses of Metsulfuron Methyl produced decreased body weight gain and decreased liver weights when compared to the control group. Long term administration caused body weight loss.

Animal testing indicates that Metsulfuron Methyl does not have carcinogenic, developmental, or reproductive effects.

There is a report indicating that Metsulfuron Methyl produced genetic damage in a mammalian cell culture test; however, other tests with Metsulfuron Methyl in bacterial and mammalian cell cultures and in animals did not produce genetic damage. The weight of evidence suggests that Metsulfuron Methyl does not cause genetic damage.

ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicological Information

AQUATIC TOXICITY:

METSULFURON METHYL

96 hour LC50 - Rainbow trout: > 150 ppm.

96 hour LC50 - Bluegill sunfish: > 150 ppm.

AVIAN TOXICITY:

METSULFURON METHYL

LD50 - Mallard Duck: > 2510 mg/kg.

LC50 - Bobwhite Quail: > 5620 mg/kg

DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by disposal. Waste resulting from the use of this product may be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS:

Do not apply directly to water, or 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 washwaters.

Treatment, storage, transportation, and disposal must be in accordance with applicable Federal, state/provincial, and local regulations.

Container Disposal

For Plastic Containers: Triple rinse (or equivalent). 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.

For Fiber Sacks: Completely empty fiber sack by shaking and tapping sides and bottom to loosen clinging

particles. Empty residue into manufacturing or application equipment. Then dispose of sack in a sanitary landfill or by incineration if allowed by state and local authorities.

For Fiber Drums with Liners: Completely empty liner by shaking and tapping sides and bottom to loosen clinging particles. Empty residue into application equipment. Then dispose of liner in a sanitary landfill or by incineration if allowed by State and local authorities. If drum is contaminated and cannot be reused, dispose of in the same manner.

For Bags Containing Water Soluble Packets: Do not reuse the outer box or the resealable plastic bag. When all water-soluble packets are used, the outer packaging should be clean and may be disposed of in a sanitary landfill or by incineration, or if allowed by State and local authorities, by open burning. If burned, stay out of smoke. If the resealable plastic bag contacts the formulated product in any way, the bag must be triple-rinsed with clean water. Add the rinsate to the spray tank and dispose of the outer wrap as described above.

For Metal Containers (non aerosol): Triple rinse (or equivalent) the container. Then offer for recycling or reconditioning, or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, or by other procedures approved by State and local authorities.

For Paper and Plastic Bags: Completely empty bag into application equipment. Then dispose of empty bag in a sanitary landfill or by incineration, or, if allowed by State and local authorities, by burning. If burned, stay out of smoke.

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Shipping Information**DOT/IMO**

Proper Shipping Name: NOT REGULATED

REGULATORY INFORMATION

U.S. Federal Regulations**TITLE III HAZARD CLASSIFICATIONS SECTIONS 311, 312**

Acute: Yes

Chronic: No

Fire: No

Reactivity: No

Pressure: No

In the United States this product is regulated by the US Environmental Protection Agency under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act. It is a violation of federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

EPA Reg. No. 352-439

OTHER INFORMATION

NFPA, NPCA-HMIS**NFPA Rating**

Health: 1

Flammability: 1

Reactivity: 0

NPCA-HMIS Rating

Health: 1

Flammability: 1

Reactivity: 0

Personal Protection rating to be supplied by user depending on use conditions.

The data in this Material Safety Data Sheet relates only to the specific material designated herein and does not relate to use in combination with any other material or in any process.

Responsibility for MSDS: DuPont Crop Protection

Address: Wilmington, DE 19898

Telephone: 1-888-638-7668

This information is based upon technical information believed to be reliable. It is subject to revision as additional knowledge and experience is gained.

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