

PESTEX®

Contains 1.5g/kg sodium fluoroacetate in the form of a ready to use bait for control of possums and ship rats

DANGER – DEADLY POISON
KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
ECOTOXIC

HSNO Classes 6.1B, 6.8A, 9.1D, 9.3A
HSNO Approval Code HSR002424

General Information

Sale and use: This product must only be sold to and used by a person holding a Controlled Substances Licence issued by an approved Test Certifier. If the product is to be applied aerially, public notification is required. Additional permissions may be required depending on the method of use and location of use. This product must only be used as specified on the label.

Tracking: It is a legal requirement that this product is tracked for its full lifecycle using the unique batch identifiers on this package. Tracking information must include the date, location of its use or means of disposal

Shelf Life: Product must be used by the expiry date stated on this package. Dispose of any expired product according to label directions.

Storage: Product must be stored in a secure facility accessible only to Approved Handlers who hold a current Test Certificate endorsed for Class 6 and Class 9 substances and hold a Controlled Substance Licence endorsed for 1080. For maximum shelf life product should be stored at less than 15 degrees Celsius in a dry and well ventilated facility with a concrete floor. Avoid damp or humid conditions and exposure to direct or diffused sunlight which can cause product to deteriorate. Individual packages should be placed on pallets rather than directly onto the floor. Use storage racks to separate pallets and allow air to circulate around individual packages. Pallets must not be stacked directly on top of each other. Avoid crushing or standing on packaging. Product must be stored in its original packaging and any damage or defective packaging repaired or replaced with new packaging from the manufacturer so as to contain the product and prevent it being spilled or spoiled. Storage must be away from feed or foodstuffs. Storage must be kept free of insects and rodents. Children must not have access to facilities where the product is stored.

Disposal: The active ingredient, sodium fluoroacetate, is degraded through microbial activity and will decompose at temperatures above 200 degrees Celsius. It dilutes readily in water. Product which is expired, surplus or spoiled should be disposed of by burying with other organic material on the active tip face of an appropriately managed landfill or buried within the biologically active layer of soil elsewhere within a secure area. Ensure that a good covering of earth is applied over the bait immediately to prevent access by scavenging birds. Avoid deep disposal or burying where groundwater contamination may occur. Treating the baits through a sewage oxidation facility or other chemical treatment facility is also an acceptable means of disposing of unwanted bait material where this is allowed by local by-laws and regulations. Bury empty bags in a suitable location at a landfill at a depth of at least 60 centimetres. Do not use the empty container for any other purpose.

Directions for Use

Ground Application: Product may be placed into weather-proof bait stations, broadcast by hand or using a mechanical spreader. For best results at least one application of Prefeed Plus or other non-toxic prefeed bait is recommended prior to toxin application. Bait stations should be spaced no greater than 150 metres apart (i.e. one per 2.25 hectares) in forest habitats and at intervals of 50-100 metres along forest-pasture margins and operational boundaries. Bait stations should be attached to the dry side of trees with the opening 25-30 centimetres above the ground. Where weka are present appropriate measures should be taken to minimise their exposure to poisoning. For hand or mechanical broadcast application bait should be applied along transects 5-10 metres in width set out according to industry guidelines and topography, with additional bait sown into habitat containing high target species densities.

Aerial Application: Product may be broadcast aerially by aircraft fitted with suitable equipment. For best results at least one application of Prefeed Plus or other non-toxic prefeed is recommended prior to toxin application. coverage should be completed with no gaps between adjacent swaths unless a strip sowing or cluster baiting methodology is specified.

Application Rates: Rates should be in accordance with industry guidelines for the method of application but may vary according to local factors such as density of target species and habitat type. For ground application methodologies bait uptake should be monitored and application rates adjusted as required to maintain efficacy.

Weather Conditions: Other than when placed into weather-proof bait stations this product should not be applied unless fine weather is expected for 72 hours following application.

Signage: Signs must be erected at every normal point of entry to the place where the substance is to be applied. Signs must remain in place until baits are retrieved or no longer toxic, or until any other legal requirement affecting signage has been met.

Handling Precautions

Precautions: Acutely toxic. May be fatal if swallowed, inhaled or absorbed through the skin. Repeated oral exposure may cause reproductive or developmental damage. When handling open containers or baits, wear protective equipment. Remove protective clothing and wash hands and exposed skin thoroughly before meals and after any contact.

Protective Equipment: When handling open containers or applying product wear overalls worn outside rubber boots and impervious rubber or PVC gloves. When loading aircraft or working in windy conditions, wear goggles and a dust mask as protection against dust entering the eyes or mouth. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using the product or handling open containers. Wash protective clothing and equipment daily after work.

Ecotoxicity: Very toxic to terrestrial vertebrates. Take measures to reduce the risk of non-target animals being exposed to the toxin either through eating baits or by scavenging the carcasses of poisoned animals. Harmful to aquatic organisms. Manage product application rates carefully and comply with any restrictions imposed on applying product over or near waterways. Avoid pollution of any water supply with pellets or used containers.

Livestock: It is extremely important to prevent access to baits by domestic livestock and pets. Stock must be kept off the treatment area until baits have been washed out by rain, removed or destroyed. Dogs and cats are particularly at risk from eating poisoned animal carcasses and pet owners in the immediate vicinity must be notified of this risk. Collect poisoned animal carcasses where practicable for burning or burying at least 600mm below ground, otherwise limit access to the treatment area until poisoned animal carcasses are unlikely to be eaten or contain residues.

Decontamination: Thoroughly wash implements, spreading equipment, aircraft, aircraft and bait stations before removing them from the operational area.

Transport Information

Proper Shipping Name: PESTICIDE SOLID TOXIC N.O.S.:UN 2588, Packing Group II, Toxic 6.1B, Hazchem 2X.

Qualifications: This product may be transported as a "Tool of Trade" in quantities weighing less than 50 kilograms by an Approved Handler who holds a current Test Certificate endorsed for Class 6 and Class 9 substances and a Controlled Substance License endorsed for 1080. A Dangerous Goods Endorsement is required for transportation of quantities weighing 50 kilograms or more.

Loading: Product must be segregated from incompatible substances and secured by suitably rated load restraints so that it cannot move in transit. Do not double stack pallets. Product must not be stowed in the same compartment as foodstuff.

Dangerous Goods Documents: A hazardous substance declaration, emergency response information and Material Safety Data Sheet must be available in the passenger compartment of the vehicle.

Emergency Management

Symptoms of Poisoning: Early symptoms include nausea, vomiting, tingling and numbness in face and hands, stomach pains, apprehension and anxiety. Later symptoms include muscular spasm, blurred vision and mental confusion. Severe symptoms include coma and convulsions.

First Aid: Act immediately if poisoning is suspected. DO NOT induce vomiting. Call a doctor or emergency physician at your nearest hospital immediately. For further advice contact the National Poisons Centre 0800POISONS (Phone 0800 764 766).

Spillage: In the event of major spills, inform the Fire Service immediately and then local health protection officers at your District Health Board or hospital. Isolate the spill area and exclude all bystanders. Take all practicable steps to manage any harmful effects of a spillage including preventing baits from entering streams or waterways. Recover all spilled baits and place into secure containers with appropriate labelling. Dispose of any spoiled bait accordingly to label directions. Use a broom to collect fine material and wash down the spill area with copious volumes of water only after all spilled bait has been recovered.

Transport Emergencies: In the event of a transport emergency dial 111 and ask for Police or Fire Service to be directed to your location. When emergency services arrive at the scene inform them that hazardous substances are present and provide details of the load and handling precautions.



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Net Contents kg

Size

Batch

Expiry

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