

SUGARCANE - MEXICAN RICE BORER

General Information

GENERAL INFORMATION

Confirm 2F insecticide mimics the action of the natural insect hormone 20-hydroxyecdysone, the physiological inducer of the molting and metamorphosis process in insects. Confirm 2F is highly active against most lepidopterous larvae while having practically no activity at typical use rates against other orders of insects. The selectivity of Confirm 2F allows for the maintenance of the populations of beneficial and predatory insects, which is a key element in integrated pest management programs. Confirm 2F controls lepidopterous larvae through a novel mode of action by the induction of a premature lethal molt which initiates within hours of ingestion of treated crop surfaces. Contact activity has also been observed in some insects. Actual death of the larvae will take several days to occur, although feeding by the insects generally ceases within 24 hours of ingestion.

Application Timing

The activity of Confirm 2F is expressed primarily through ingestion by the target larvae. Consequently, the timing of application is dependent upon the feeding behavior of the target pest. For internal feeding larvae, application must be made prior to the time that surface feeding occurs. For foliar or surface feeding larvae, application made while active feeding is occurring will be effective.

Reapplication may be required to protect new flushes of foliage or rapidly expanding fruit. The reapplication interval will vary depending upon how rapidly the crop is growing and the generation time of the target pest. While Confirm 2F is essentially equally effective against all instars, it is generally good practice to make applications to early instars to avoid the heavy damage that can be inflicted by later instar larvae. For best results, begin applications when first signs of feeding damage or when threshold levels of moths, eggs or larvae occur. Consult the Cooperative Extension Service, or other qualified professional authorities, to determine the appropriate threshold for application in your area.

Limitations, Restrictions, and Exceptions

APPLICATION TIMING

Under heavy infestations, continuous moth flights and/or egg masses and larvae in all stages of development, reapplication on a 10- to 14-day schedule will be required to protect new growth until moth flights and/or hits subside.

RESTRICTIONS

- Do not apply more than 16 fl oz per application and do not exceed 64 fl oz per season.
- Allow at least 14 days to elapse between final application and harvest.
- See Rotational Crop Restrictions in the label.

Ground Application: Make applications by conventional ground sprayers that are calibrated to deliver a minimum of 10 gallons per acre.

Aerial Application: Make applications of Confirm 2F in a minimum of 2 gallons per acre. Higher carrier volume may be required to provide thorough coverage under conditions of high temperatures, low humidity or dense crop canopy.

Spray Adjuvant: Use of a spreader-binder following the manufacturer's labeling is recommended to maximize coverage and distribution of spray

mixture.

Method

[Broadcast/Foliar Air](#)

[Broadcast/Foliar Ground](#)

Rates

[field rates 0](#)

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Restricted Entry Interval

4 hours

Timings

[N.A.](#)