

# **TREE NUT CROPS - ALMONDS - CONCENTRATE SPRAY**

## General Information

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Asana XL Insecticide 0.66 emulsible concentrate contains 0.66 pounds of active ingredient per gallon. For the applications given, mix the required amount of Asana XL in sufficient diluent to provide uniform coverage (Refer to Use Tables). Asana XL may be applied by ground or aerial application equipment.

For aerial application use the following directions unless otherwise specified in the label: use a minimum of 2 gallons per acre (gpa) of water, except in tree and orchard crops use a minimum of 10 gpa. Apply at the recommended rates when insect populations reach locally determined economic thresholds.

Consult the cooperative extension service, professional consultants or other qualified authorities to determine appropriate threshold levels for treatment in your area.

### RESISTANCE

For resistance management, Asana XL is a group 3 insecticide. Repeated exclusive use of Asana XL, or other group 3 insecticides may lead to the buildup of resistant strains of insects in some crops. Some insects are known to develop resistance to products used repeatedly for control. Because the development of resistance cannot be predicted, the use of this product should conform to resistance management strategies established for the use area. Consult your local or state agricultural authorities for details.

If resistance to this product develops in your area, this product, or other products with a similar mode of action, may not provide adequate control. If poor performance cannot be attributed to improper application or extreme weather conditions, a resistant strain of insect may be present. If you experience difficulty with control and resistance is a reasonable cause, immediately consult your local company representative or agricultural advisor for the best alternative method of control for your area.

## INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

Valent U.S.A. Corporation recommends the use of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) programs to control pests. This product may be used as part of an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program which can include biological, cultural, and genetic practices aimed at preventing economic pest damage.

Application of this product should be based on IPM principles and practices including field scouting or other detection methods, correct target pest identification, population monitoring, and treating when target pest populations reach locally determined action thresholds. Consult your state cooperative extension service, professional consultants or other qualified authorities to determine appropriate action treatment threshold levels for treating specific pest/crop or site systems in your area.

## SPRAY PREPARATION

Spray equipment must be clean and free of previous pesticide deposits before applying Asana XL.

## TANK MIXING AND COMPATIBILITY

Unless directed otherwise in a specific crop section of the label, do not tank mix Asana XL with fungicides containing fenitrothion hydroxide (trifluoromethyl hydroxide) such as "Super Tin" as crop injury may result.

This product can be mixed with pesticide products labeled for use on crops on the label in accordance with the most restrictive of label limitations and precautions. No label dosage rates should be exceeded. This product cannot be mixed with any product containing a label prohibition against such mixing.

Since formulations may be changed and new ones introduced, it is recommended that users premix a small quantity of a desired tank mix and observe for possible adverse changes (settling out, flocculation, etc.). Avoid mixtures of several materials and very concentrated spray mixtures. For best results, use of spray equipment having continuous agitation is recommended.

Asana XL may be tank mixed with herbicide products when insect populations require control concurrent with the need for weed control. Follow all herbicide and

Asana XL label directions regarding proper usage.

Asana XL may be used in combination with 2,4-D herbicides providing that the following mixing directions are followed: 1) Do not apply the combination in a volume of water less than 2 gallons per acre total spray. 2) Always mix the Asana XL thoroughly in the total volume of spray water first, followed by the addition of the 2,4-D herbicide. Because of the availability of a great variety of 2,4-D herbicide products, a test for physical compatibility should be conducted before field mixtures of a particular combination are made.

## CHEMIGATION

Apply this product only through sprinkler including center pivot, lateral move, end tow, side (wheel) row, traveler, big gun, solid set, or hand move irrigation systems. Do not apply this product through any other type of irrigation system. Asana XL may be premixed in a supply tank with water, oil, fertilizer, or other appropriate tank mixed agricultural chemicals.

A pretest of physical compatibility for untried tank mixes is advised. Agitation may be necessary. Application should be in sufficient water and of sufficient duration to apply the recommended rate evenly to the entire treated area. No runoff can be permitted during chemigation. Crop injury, lack of effectiveness, or illegal pesticide residues in the crop can result from nonuniform distribution of treated water.

Do not apply when wind speed favors drift beyond the area intended for treatment.

If you have questions about calibration, you should contact State Extension Service specialists, equipment manufacturers or other experts. A person knowledgeable of the chemigation system and responsible for its operation, or under the supervision of the responsible person, shall shut the system down and make necessary adjustments should the need arise.

Do not connect an irrigation system (including greenhouse systems) used for Asana XL application to a public water system.

The system must contain a functional check valve, vacuum relief valve, and low pressure drain appropriately located on the irrigation pipeline to prevent water source contamination from backflow. The pesticide injection pipeline must contain a functional, automatic, quick-closing check valve to prevent the flow of fluid back

toward the injection pump.

The pesticide injection pipeline must also contain a functional, normally closed, solenoid-operated valve located on the intake side of the injection pump and connected to the system interlock to prevent fluid from being withdrawn from the supply tank when the irrigation system is either automatically or manually shut down. The system must contain functional interlocking controls to automatically shut-off the pesticide injection pump when the water pump motor stops. The irrigation line or water pump must include a functional pressure switch which will stop the water pump motor when the water pressure decreases to the point where pesticide distribution is adversely affected. Systems must use a metering pump, such as a positive displacement injection pump (e.g., diaphragm pump) effectively designed and constructed of materials that are compatible with pesticides and capable of being fitted with a system interlock.

## CROP ROTATION

ALL ROTATION CROPS MAY BE PLANTED IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING LAST APPLICATION.

## BUFFER ZONES

### Vegetative Buffer Strip

Construct and maintain a minimum 10-foot-wide vegetative filter strip of grass or other permanent vegetation between the field edge and down gradient aquatic habitat (such as, but not limited to, lakes, reservoirs, rivers, permanent streams, marshes or natural ponds, estuaries, and commercial fish farm ponds).

Only apply products containing esfenvalerate onto fields where a maintained vegetative buffer strip of at least 10 feet exists between the field and down gradient aquatic habitat. For guidance, refer to the following publication for information on constructing and maintaining effective buffers:

Conservation Buffers to Reduce Pesticide Losses, Natural Resources Conservation Services. USDA, NRCS. Fort Worth, Texas 21pp.

[http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\\_DOCUMENTS/nrcs143\\_023819.pdf](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/nrcs143_023819.pdf)

Buffer Zone for Ground Application (groundboom, overhead chemigation, or airblast)

Do not apply within 25 feet of aquatic habitats (such as, but not limited to, lakes, reservoirs, rivers, permanent streams, marshes, natural ponds, estuaries, and commercial fish ponds).

#### Buffer Zone for ULV Aerial Application

Do not apply within 450 feet of aquatic habitats (such as, but not limited to, lakes, reservoirs, rivers, permanent streams, marshes, natural ponds, estuaries, and commercial fish ponds).

#### Buffer Zone for Non-ULV Aerial Application

Do not apply within 150 feet of aquatic habitats (such as, but not limited to, lakes, reservoirs, rivers, permanent streams, marshes, natural ponds, estuaries, and commercial fish ponds).

### SPRAY DRIFT REQUIREMENTS

#### Wind Direction and Speed

Only apply this product if the wind direction favors on target deposition.  
Do not apply when the wind velocity exceeds 15 mph.

#### Temperature Inversion

Do not make aerial or ground applications into temperature inversions. Inversions are characterized by stable air and increasing temperatures with height above the ground. Mist or fog may indicate the presence of an inversion in humid areas. The applicator may detect the presence of an inversion by producing smoke and observing a smoke layer near the ground surface.

#### Droplet Size

Use only Medium or coarser spray nozzles (for ground and non-ULV aerial application) according to ASAE (S572) definition for standard nozzles. In conditions of low humidity and high temperatures, applicators should use a coarser droplet size.

#### Additional Requirements for Ground Applications

Wind speed must be measured adjacent to the application site on the upwind side,

immediately prior to application.

For ground boom applications, apply using a nozzle height of no more than 4 feet above the ground or crop canopy.

For airblast applications, turn off outward pointing nozzles at row ends and when spraying the outer two rows. To minimize spray loss over the top in orchard applications, spray must be directed into the canopy.

#### Additional Requirements for Aerial Applications

The spray boom should be mounted on the aircraft as to minimize drift caused by wingtip or rotor vortices.

The minimum practical boom length should be used and must not exceed 75% of the wing span or 80% rotor diameter.

Flight speed and nozzle orientation must be considered in determining droplet size.

Spray must be released at lowest height consistent with pest control and flight safety. Do not release spray at a height greater than 10 feet above the crop canopy unless a greater height is required for aircraft safety.

When applications are made with a cross-wind, the swath will be displaced downwind. The applicator must compensate for this displacement at the downwind edge of the applications area by adjusting the path of the aircraft upwind.

#### SPRAY TANK CLEANOUT

Immediately following application of Asana XL, thoroughly clean all mixing and spray equipment. Flush the tank, pump, hoses, and boom with several changes of water after removing nozzle tips and screens (clean these parts separately). Take all necessary precautions when cleaning equipment. Do not clean near wells, water sources or desirable vegetation. Dispose of waste rinse water in accordance with local regulations.

#### Limitations, Restrictions, and Exceptions

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Acres treated per gal of Asana XL: 13.2 - 6.6

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Do not graze livestock on treated orchard floors.

Peach Twig Borer (Dormant) - Make application with an EPA registered dormant oil; for specific recommendations on use of oil consult manufacturer's label. For best performance, ground application equipment is recommended.

Note:

- CA only: Peach Twig Borer (Dormant)

Method

[Broadcast/Foliar Air](#)

[Broadcast/Foliar Ground](#)

Pre-Harvest Interval

21 days

Rates

[field rates 0](#)

[field rates 1](#)

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Restricted Entry Interval

12 hours

Timings

[When insect populations reach locally determined economic thresholds.](#)