

# **CHRISTMAS TREES - FIRST YEAR PLANTINGS - COARSE**

## General Information

### PRODUCT INFORMATION

Tide Hexar 2SL is a water-dispersible liquid that is mixed in water and applied as a spray for weed control in certain crops, Christmas trees, forestry site preparation and release areas, and industrial areas. It may also be applied undiluted as a basal soil treatment for brush control in reforestation areas, rangeland, pastures and noncrop areas or by stem injection for brush control.

Tide Hexar 2SL is an effective general herbicide providing both contact and residual control of many annual, biennial and perennial weeds and woody plants.

Tide Hexar 2SL is noncorrosive to equipment.

Care must be exercised when applying Tide Hexar 2SL near desirable trees or shrubs as they can absorb Tide Hexar 2SL through roots extending into treated areas.

This product may be applied on agricultural and non-agricultural sites that contain areas of temporary surface water caused by collection of water between planting beds, in equipment ruts, or in other depressions created by management activities. It is permissible to treat intermittent drainage, intermittently flooded low lying sites, seasonally dry flood plains and transitional areas between upland and lowland sites when no water is present. It is also permissible to treat marshes, swamps and bogs after water has receded, as well as seasonally dry flood deltas. DO NOT make applications to natural or man-made bodies of water such as lakes, reservoirs, ponds, streams and canals.

### ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS AND BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

Tide Hexar 2SL is absorbed through the roots and foliage. Moisture is required to activate Tide Hexar 2SL in the soil. Best results are obtained when the soil is moist at the time of application and  $\frac{1}{4}$  -  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches of rainfall occurs within 2 weeks after application.

For best results, apply Tide Hexar 2SL preemergence or postemergence when weeds are less than 2 inches in height or diameter. Foliar activity is most effective under conditions of high temperature (above 80°F), high humidity, and good soil moisture. Foliar activity may be reduced when vegetation is dormant, semi-dormant, or under stress.

On herbaceous plants, symptoms usually appear within 2 weeks after application under warm, humid conditions, while 4-6 weeks may be required when weather is cool or dry, or when plants are under stress. If rainfall after application is inadequate to activate Tide Hexar 2SL in the soil, plants may recover from contact effects and continue to grow.

On woody plants, symptoms usually appear within 3-6 weeks after sufficient rainfall has carried the herbicide into the root zone during periods of active growth. Defoliation and refoliation may occur, but susceptible plants are killed.

The degree and duration of control will depend on the following:

- Use rate
- Weed spectrum and size at time of application
- Environmental conditions at and following treatment

Where a rate range is shown, use the higher levels of the dosage range on hard-to-control species, fine-textured soils, or soils containing greater than 5% organic matter or carbon. Use the lower levels of the dosage range on coarse-textured soils and/or on soils low in organic matter. Refer to specific uses for rate ranges.

#### APPLICATION INFORMATION

Tide Hexar 2SL may be applied by ground equipment and where permitted, aerial equipment. Use rates, minimum spray gallonage, and other application information are described for various uses.

Dispose of the equipment washwater by applying it to a use-site listed on this label or in accordance with directions given in the STORAGE AND DISPOSAL section of this label.

Before spraying, calibrate equipment to determine the quantity of water necessary to uniformly and thoroughly cover the vegetation and soil in a measured area to be treated.

#### INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT

This product may be considered for use on public, private, and tribal lands to treat certain weed species infestations that have been determined to be invasive, consistent with the Federal Interagency Committee for the Management of Noxious and Exotic Weeds (FICMNEW) National Early Detection and Rapid Response (EDRR) System for invasive plants. Effective EDRR systems address invasions by eradicating the invader where possible, and controlling them when the invasive species is too established to be feasibly eradicated. Once an EDRR assessment has been completed and action is advised, a Rapid Response needs to be taken to quickly contain, deny reproduction, and if possible eliminate the invader. Consult your appropriate state extension service, forest service, or regional multidisciplinary invasive species management coordination team to determine the appropriate Rapid Response provisions and allowed treatments in your area.

#### MODE OF ACTION

Hexazinone is a Group 5 herbicide based on the mode of action classification system of the Weed Science Society of America and a C1 photosynthesis photosystem II inhibitor as classified by the Herbicide Resistance Action Committee (HRAC).

#### RESISTANCE

When herbicides that affect the same biological site of action are used repeatedly over several years to control the same weed species in the same field, naturally-occurring resistant biotypes may survive a correctly applied herbicide treatment, propagate, and become dominant in that field.

Adequate control of these resistant weed biotypes cannot be expected. If weed control is unsatisfactory, it may be necessary to retreat the problem area using a product affecting a different site of action.

To better manage herbicide resistance through delaying the proliferation and possible dominance of herbicide resistant weed biotypes, it may be necessary to

change cultural practices within and between crop seasons such as using a combination of tillage, retreatment, tank-mix partners and/or sequential herbicide applications that have a different site of action. Weed escapes that are allowed to go to seed will promote the spread of resistant biotypes.

It is advisable to keep accurate records of pesticides applied to individual fields to help obtain information on the spread and dispersal of resistant biotypes. Consult your agricultural dealer, consultant, applicator, and/or appropriate state agricultural extension service representative for specific alternative cultural practices or herbicide instructions available in your area.

## INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

This product may be used as a part of an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program that can include biological, cultural, and genetic practices aimed at preventing economic pest damage. IPM principles and practices include 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 systems in your area.

## CHEMIGATION

Apply this product through irrigation equipment only to crops and diseases for which the chemigation use is specified. Apply this product only through center pivot or linear-move sprinkler irrigation systems. Do not apply Tide Hexar 2SL through any other type of irrigation system. Crop injury, lack of effectiveness, or illegal pesticide residues in the crop can result from non-uniform distribution of treated water. Therefore, to ensure that the mixture is applied evenly at the labeled rate, use sufficient water, apply the mixture for the proper length of time and ensure sprinkler produces a uniform water pattern. Do not permit run-off during chemigation. If you have questions about calibration, you should contact State Extension Service specialists, equipment manufacturers or other experts.

Do not connect an irrigation system (including greenhouse systems) used for pesticide application to a public water system unless the pesticide label-prescribed safety devices for public water systems are in place. A person knowledgeable of the chemigation system and responsible for its operation or under the; supervision of

the responsible person, must shut the system down and make necessary adjustments should the need arise.

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 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.

Maintain continuous agitation in mix tank during mixing and application to assure a uniform suspension. Allow sufficient time for pesticide to be flushed through all lines and all nozzles before turning off irrigation water. Pesticide may be applied continuously for the duration of the water application.

#### POSTING OF AREAS TO BE TREATED

Posting of areas to be chemigated is required when 1) any part of a treated area is within 300 feet of sensitive areas such as residential areas, labor camps, businesses, daycare centers, hospitals, in-patient clinics, nursing homes, or any public areas such as schools, parks, playgrounds, or other public facilities not including public roads, or 2) when the chemigated area is open to the public such as

golf courses or retail greenhouses.

Posting must conform to all the following requirements:

- Treated areas shall be posted with signs at all usual points of entry and along likely routes of approach from the listed sensitive areas. When there are no usual points of entry, signs must be posted in the corners of the treated areas and in any other location affording maximum visibility to sensitive areas.
- The printed side of the sign must face away from the treated area towards the sensitive area. The signs shall be printed in English.
- Signs must be posted prior to application and must remain posted until foliage has dried and soil surface water has disappeared. Signs may remain in place indefinitely as long as they are composed of materials to prevent deterioration and maintain legibility for the duration of the posting period.
- All words shall consist of letters at least 2 ½ inches tall, and all letters and the symbol shall be a color which sharply contrasts with their immediate background. At the top of the sign shall be the words "KEEP OUT", followed by an octagonal stop sign symbol at least 8 inches in diameter containing the word "STOP". Below the symbol shall be the words "PESTICIDE IN IRRIGATION WATER".
- Posting required for chemigation does not replace other posting and reentry requirements for farm worker safety.

Limitations, Restrictions, and Exceptions

#### CHRISTMAS TREES

Unless otherwise directed in separately published Tide International USA, Inc. instructions, do not use Tide Hexar 2SL on Christmas trees in the following states:

Alabama, Louisiana, New Jersey, Texas, Arkansas, Maine, New York, Vermont, Connecticut, Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia, Delaware, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Georgia, Mississippi, Rhode Island, Florida, New Hampshire, South Carolina

#### APPLICATION INFORMATION

##### EASTERN US

Apply Tide Hexar 2SL as a broadcast spray in the spring prior to bud break. If application is made after bud break, use directional spray equipment to prevent contact with foliage.

#### WESTERN US

Areas of greater than 20 inches annual rainfall – Tide Hexar 2SL may be applied as a broadcast spray in the spring prior to conifer bud break. If application is made after bud break, use directional spray equipment to prevent contact with foliage.

Areas of less than 20 inches annual rainfall – Tide Hexar 2SL may be applied in the fall before the soil freezes or in the spring after snow cover melts, but before conifer bud break occurs.

#### USE RATES

The rates listed below are for broadcast application. For band application, use proportionately less; for example, use  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the broadcast rates when treating a 3-foot band where row spacing is 6 feet. Use the higher end of the rate range on the heavier soil type.

Do not make more than one application of Tide Hexar 2SL per year.

First year plantings – Transplant stock that is 2 years old or more (1 year old for loblolly pine). Apply Tide Hexar 2SL only if rainfall has settled the soil around the base and root systems of the transplants.

#### SPRAY EQUIPMENT

Tide Hexar 2SL may be applied by ground equipment or by air.

Select a spray volume that will ensure a through and uniform application. Apply a minimum of 5 gallons per acre by air and a minimum of 10 gallons per acre by ground equipment.

#### USE PRECAUTIONS - CHRISTMAS TREES

- Weed control results from spring applications depend on sufficient moisture to activate Tide Hexar 2SL.
- Poor weed and brush control may result from the following:
  - Heavy duff or slash present at the time of application.
  - Use on poorly drained sites.
  - Applications made when soil is saturated with water and rain is imminent within 24 hours.
- Applications to soils high in organic matter (greater than 5%).

- Injury may occur when Tide Hexar 2SL is used on the -following:
- Trees that show poor vigor, insect damage, disease, winter injury, or other stress conditions.
- Any soil containing less than 1% organic matter
- Loamy sand or sandy loam with less than 2% organic matter (except Jeffrey Pine and Ponderosa Pine).
- Foliage after bud break.
- Gravelly or rocky soils, exposed subsoils, clay knobs, sand, or sandy soil with 85% or more sand.

#### USE RESTRICTIONS - CHRISTMAS TREES

- Do not use Tide Hexar 2SL in nurseries, seed beds, or ornamental plantings.
- Do not add a surfactant in applications over the top of conifers.
- Do not cut treated vegetation for feed, or graze livestock on treated areas for 60 days following application of Tide Hexar 2SL at broadcast rates exceeding 4.5 pints per acre.
- Livestock may be grazed immediately following a broadcast application of Tide Hexar 2SL at rates of 4.5 pints per acre or less. Do not feed livestock treated vegetation for 38 days following application. Treated vegetation may be cut, dried, and fed after 38 days.

#### Method

[Broadcast/Foliar Air](#)

[Broadcast/Foliar Ground](#)

#### Rates

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#### Restricted Entry Interval

48 hours

#### Soils

[Coarse](#)

[Loamy Sand](#)

[Sandy Loam](#)

#### Timings

[In the spring prior to bud break.](#)