# TURF GRASSES - CHINCH BUG (SUPPRESSION) AND MOLE CRICKETS

General Information

### APPLICATION TO TURFGRASS

IMIDACLOPRID 2F Insecticide can be used for the control of soil inhabiting pests of turfgrass, such as Northern & Southern masked chafers, Cyclocephala borealis, C. immaculata, and/or C. lurida; Asiatic garden beetle, Maladera castanea; European chafer, Rhizotroqus majalis; Green June beetle, Cotinis nitida; May or June beetle, Phyllophaga spp.; Japanese beetle, Popillia japonica; Oriental beetle, Anomala orientalis; Billbugs, Sphenophorus spp.; Annual bluegrass weevil, Listronotus spp.; Black turfgrass ataenius, Ataenius spretulus and Aphodius spp.; European Crane Fly, Tipula paludosa; and mole crickets, Scapteriscus spp. IMIDACLOPRID 2F Insecticide can also be used for suppression of cutworms and chinch bugs. IMIDACLOPRID 2F Insecticide can be used as directed on turfgrass in sites such as home lawns, business and office complexes, shopping complexes, multi-family residential complexes, golf courses, airports, cemeteries, parks, playgrounds, athletic fields and sod farms.

The active ingredient in IMIDACLOPRID 2F Insecticide has sufficient residual activity so that applications can be made preceding the egg laying activity of the target pests. High levels of control can be achieved when applications are made preceding or during the egg laying period. The need for an application can be based on historical monitoring of the site, previous records or experiences, current season adult trapping or other methods. Optimum control will be achieved when applications are made prior to egg hatch of the target pests, followed by sufficient irrigation or rainfall to move the active ingredient through the thatch.

Applications should not be made when turfgrass areas are waterlogged or the soil is saturated with water. Adequate distribution of the active ingredient cannot be achieved when these conditions exist. The treated turf area must be in such a condition that the rainfall or irrigation will penetrate vertically in the soil profile. Applications cannot exceed a total of 1.6 pints (0.4 lb of active ingredient) per acre per year.

## APPLICATION EQUIPMENT FOR USE ON TURFGRASS

Apply IMIDACLOPRID 2F Insecticide in sufficient water to provide adequate distribution in the treated area. The use of accurately calibrated equipment normally used for the application of turfgrass insecticides is required. Use equipment which will produce a uniform, coarse droplet spray, using a low pressure setting to eliminate off target drift. Check calibration periodically to ensure that equipment is working properly.

#### APPLICATION TO ORNAMENTALS

IMIDACLOPRID 2F Insecticide is for use on ornamentals in commercial and residential landscapes and interior plantscapes. IMIDACLOPRID 2F Insecticide is a systemic product and will be translocated upward into the plant system from root uptake. To assure optimum effectiveness, the product must be placed where the growing portion of the target plant can absorb the active ingredient. The addition of a nitrogen containing fertilizer, where applicable, into the solution may enhance the uptake of the active ingredient. Application can be made by foliar application or soil applications; including soil injection, drenches, and broadcast sprays. Foliar applications offer locally systemic activity against insect pests.

When making soil applications to plants with woody stems, systemic activity will be delayed until the active ingredient is translocated throughout the plant. In some cases, this translocation delay could take 60 days or longer. For this reason, applications should be made prior to anticipated pest infestation to achieve optimum levels of control. For outdoor ornamentals, broadcast applications cannot exceed a total of 1.6 pints (0.4 lb of active ingredient) per acre per year.

#### ANT MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

Use IMIDACLOPRID 2F to control aphids, scale insects, mealybugs and other sucking

pests on ornamentals to limit the honeydew available as a food source for ant populations. IMIDACLOPRID 2F applications can be then be supplemented with residual sprays, bait placements or other ant control tactics to further reduce the pest population.

NOTE: Not for use in commercial greenhouses, nurseries, or on grasses grown for seed, or on commercial fruit and nut trees.

## APPLICATION EQUIPMENT FOR FOLIAR APPLICATIONS

IMIDACLOPRID 2F Insecticide mixes readily with water and may be used in many types of application equipment. Mix product with the required amount of water and apply as desired dependent upon the selected use pattern.

When making foliar applications on hard to wet foliage such as holly, pine, or ivy, the addition of a spreader/ sticker is recommended. If concentrate or mist type spray equipment is used, an equivalent amount of product should be used on the area sprayed, as would be used in a dilute application.

IMIDACLOPRID 2F Insecticide has been found to be compatible with commonly used fungicides, miticides, liquid fertilizers, and other commonly used insecticides. Check physical compatibility using the correct proportion of products in a small jar test if local experience is unavailable.

DO NOT apply through any irrigation system.

## RESTRICTIONS

DO NOT graze treated areas or use clippings from treated areas for feed or forage. Avoid runoff or puddling of irrigation water following application. Keep children and pets off treated area until dry. Avoid application of IMIDACLOPRID 2F Insecticide to areas which are water logged or saturated, which will not allow penetration into the root zone of the plant. DO NOT apply more than 1.6 pt (0.4 lb of active ingredient) per acre per year.

Treated areas may be replanted with any crop specified on an imidacloprid label, or with any crop for which a tolerance exists for the active ingredient.

For crops not listed on an imidacloprid label, or for crops for which no tolerances for the active ingredient have been established, a 12- month plant-back interval should be observed.

Limitations, Restrictions, and Exceptions

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- When adults or large nymphs are present and actively tunneling, IMIDACLOPRID 2F application should be accompanied by a curative insecticide. Follow label instructions for other insecticides when tank-mixing.
- Consult your local turf, State Agricultural Experiment Station, or State Extension Service Specialists for more specific information regarding timing of application.
- NOTE: For optimum control, irrigation or rainfall should occur within 24 hours after application to move the active ingredient through the thatch. Avoid mowing turf or lawn area until after sufficient irrigation or rainfall has occurred so that uniformity of application will not be affected.

#### Method

**Spray** 

Rates

field rates 0

field rates 1

field rates 2

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Restricted Entry Interval

#### 12 hours

Exception: If the product is applied by drenching, the Worker Protection Standard, under certain circumstances, allows workers to enter the treated area if there will be no contact with anything that has been treated.

## **Timings**

For suppression of chinchbugs, prior to the hatching of the first instar nymphs. For control of mole crickets, prior to or during the peak egg hatch period.