

FIFRA Section 2(ee) Recommendation



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ADDITIONAL APPLICATION METHOD ON APPLES FOR HARVEST MANAGEMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF FRUIT QUALITY: AERIAL

This FIFRA Section 2(ee) Recommendation Expires December 31, 2022.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

This recommendation is made as permitted by FIFRA Section 2(ee) and has not been submitted to or approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. This 2(ee) recommendation contains directions for use, which do not appear on the package label and must be in the possession of the user at the time of ReTain[®] Plant Growth Regulator application. Follow all applicable directions, restrictions, Worker Protection Standard requirements, and precautions on the EPA registered label.

Aerial applications of *ReTain* to apple for harvest management in the state of Washington may be made by helicopter:

- Apply in a minimum application volume of 15 gallons of finished spray solution per acre.
- Do not exceed 1 pouch per acre per application when applying by air.
- Two applications for harvest management of apple may be made per season.
- A second application by helicopter may follow a first application made by either ground or air 14 to 21 days after the first application but not less than 7 days before harvest.
- Do not exceed a total of 2 pouches of *ReTain* per acre for harvest management per season.

Do not apply ReTain when the risk of excessive drift is expected due to temperature inversion, wind patterns and humidity. To prevent drift into neighboring crops and bodies of water obey the following: Consider the direction of the wind in relation to the spraying pattern that the aircraft will have to follow to make the application. Do not apply if wind direction can push droplets towards other crops and bodies of water. Do not apply when wind speeds are greater than 10 mph and consider droplet size. Smaller droplets, which include smaller than 200 microns, are more likely to cause drift. Consider a larger size droplet that also provides good coverage on the crop canopy.

For all other use directions, including timing of applications, refer to the EPA registered label.

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