



# Insecticide

A seed treatment product for protection against damage from, or control of, listed insects on alfalfa

<i>Active Ingredient:</i>	
Thiamethoxam <sup>1</sup> .....	47.6%
<i>Other Ingredients:</i>	52.4%
<i>Total:</i>	100.0%

<sup>1</sup>CAS No. 153719-23-4

Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa is a flowable seed treatment containing 5 pounds thiamethoxam per gallon.

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.  
CAUTION**

See additional precautionary statements and directions for use in booklet.

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PRODUCT ID.

**52825 15 gallons**  
Net Contents



## User Safety Requirements

Follow manufacturer's instructions for cleaning/maintaining PPE. If no such instructions exist for washables, use detergent and hot water. Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

## Engineering Control Statements

When handlers use closed systems in a manner that meets the requirements listed in the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) for agricultural pesticides [40 CFR 170.240(d)(4-6)], the handler PPE requirements may be reduced or modified as specified in the WPS.

## User Safety Recommendations

Users should:

- Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling.
- Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet.
- Remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.
- Remove PPE immediately after handling this product. Wash the outside of gloves before removing. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

## Environmental Hazards

This product is toxic to wildlife and highly toxic to aquatic invertebrates.

Thiamethoxam is highly toxic to bees exposed to direct treatment, and effects may be possible as a result of exposure to translocated residues in blooming crops. Do not contaminate water when disposing of equipment wash water.

## CONDITIONS OF SALE AND LIMITATION OF WARRANTY AND LIABILITY

**NOTICE:** Read the entire Directions for Use and Conditions of Sale and Limitation of Warranty and Liability before buying or using this product. If the terms are not acceptable, return the product at once, unopened, and the purchase price will be refunded.

The Directions for Use of this product must be followed carefully. It is impossible to eliminate all risks inherently associated with the use of this product. Crop injury, ineffectiveness or other unintended consequences may result because of such factors as manner of use or application, weather or crop conditions, presence of other materials or other influencing factors in the use of the product, which are beyond the control of SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION, LLC or Seller. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Buyer and User agree to hold SYNGENTA and Seller harmless for any claims relating to such factors.

SYNGENTA warrants that this product conforms to the chemical description on the label and is reasonably fit for the purposes stated in the Directions for Use, subject to the inherent risks referred to above, when used in accordance with directions under normal use conditions. To the extent permitted by applicable law: (1) this warranty does not extend to the use of the product contrary to label instructions, or under conditions not reasonably foreseeable to or beyond the control of Seller or SYNGENTA, and (2) Buyer and User assume the risk of any such use. TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, SYNGENTA MAKES NO WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE NOR ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY EXCEPT AS WARRANTED BY THIS LABEL.

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## DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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

Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa may be applied by closed or open system seed treatment application processes. **DO NOT** apply more than 215 gallons of Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa per 8-hour day for seed treatments utilizing a closed system. **DO NOT** apply more than 38 gallons of Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa per 8-hour day for seed treatments utilizing an open system.

## AGRICULTURAL USE REQUIREMENTS

Use this product only in accordance with its labeling and with the Worker Protection Standard, 40 CFR part 170. This Standard contains requirements for the protection of agricultural workers on farms, forests, nurseries, and greenhouses, and handlers of agricultural pesticides. It contains requirements for training, decontamination, notification, and emergency assistance. It also contains specific instructions and exceptions pertaining to the statements on this label about personal protective equipment (PPE) and restricted-entry interval. The requirements in this box only apply to uses of this product that are covered by the Worker Protection Standard.

**Do not enter or allow worker entry into treated areas during the restricted-entry interval (REI) of 12 hours.** Exception: If the seed is treated with the product and the treated seed is soil-injected or soil-incorporated, 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.

PPE required for early entry to treated areas that is permitted under the Worker Protection Standard and that involves contact with anything that has been treated, such as plants, soil, or water is:

- Coveralls
- Chemical-resistant gloves made of any waterproof material - Category A (e.g., natural rubber ≥ 14 mils)
- Shoes plus socks

**FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS FOR USE AND PRECAUTIONS ON THIS LABEL MAY RESULT IN CROP INJURY, POOR INSECT AND/OR DISEASE CONTROL, AND/OR ILLEGAL RESIDUES.**

## FIRST AID

<b>If inhaled</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Move person to fresh air.</li> <li>• If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably by mouth-to-mouth, if possible.</li> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.</li> </ul>
<b>If swallowed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice.</li> <li>• Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow.</li> <li>• Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by the poison control center or doctor.</li> <li>• Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.</li> </ul>
<b>If on skin or clothing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take off contaminated clothing.</li> <li>• Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes.</li> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>
<b>If in eyes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes.</li> <li>• Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye.</li> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>

Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment.

## HOT LINE NUMBER

For 24-Hour Medical Emergency Assistance (Human or Animal)  
or Chemical Emergency Assistance (Spill, Leak, Fire or Accident)  
Call  
**1-800-888-8372**

## PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

### Hazards to Humans and Domestic Animals

#### CAUTION

Harmful if inhaled, swallowed, or absorbed through the skin. Causes moderate eye irritation. Avoid breathing vapor or spray mist. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, or clothing. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling, and before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

### Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Applicators, Other Handlers and Re-entry Workers Must Wear:

- Long-sleeved shirt and long pants
- Chemical-resistant gloves made of any waterproof material - Category A (e.g., natural rubber ≥ 14 mils)
- Shoes plus socks

**Multiple Task Workers must wear:** (Multiple task workers perform multiple tasks in one day such as mixing, bagging/filling seed containers, product application, bag sewing, and clean up)

- Chemical resistant gloves
- Chemical-resistant coveralls over long sleeved shirt and long pants
- Shoes plus socks

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# Cruiser<sup>®</sup> 5FS Alfalfa Insecticide

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Treatment of highly mechanically scarred or damaged seed, or seed known to be of low vigor and poor quality, except for the purpose of curative control of existing disease pests, may result in reduced germination and/or reduction of seed and seedling vigor. Treat a small quantity of seed using equipment similar to that planned for treating the total seed lot. Conduct germination tests on a small portion of seed before committing the total seed lot to a selected seed treatment. Due to seed quality, crop or variety sensitivity, and seed storage conditions beyond the control of Syngenta, no claims are made to guarantee the germination of carry-over seed or propagating material for all crop seeds.

## USE INFORMATION

Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa is a systemic seed treatment insecticide belonging to the neonicotinoid class of chemistry. Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa controls certain chewing and sucking insects through contact and ingestion. The plant rapidly takes up the active ingredient in Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa as it starts to emerge and establish. The use of Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa is compatible with integrated pest management programs. The length of control of the major insect pests will vary depending on the product use rate, insect pressure, crop growth and maturity, and soil and environmental conditions. When rate ranges are given, use the higher rate when insect pressure is expected to be high.

### Resistance Management

Some insect pests are known to develop resistance to products after repeated use. Because resistance development cannot be predicted, the use of this product should conform to sound resistance management strategies established for the crop and use area. Syngenta encourages responsible product stewardship to ensure effective long-term control of the insects on this label.

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.

Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa contains a Group 4A insecticide (thiamethoxam, belonging to the neonicotinoid class of chemistry). Insect biotypes with acquired or inherent resistance to Group 4A insecticides may eventually dominate the insect population if Group 4A insecticides are used repeatedly as the predominant method of control for targeted species. This may result in partial or total loss of control of those species by Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa or other Group 4A insecticides.

### In order to maintain susceptibility to this class of chemistry:

- Avoid using Group 4A insecticides exclusively for season long control of insect species with more than one generation per crop season.
- For insect species with successive or overlapping generations, apply Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa or other Group 4A insecticides using a "treatment window" approach. A treatment window is a period of time as defined by the stage of crop development and/or the biology of the pests of concern. Within the treatment window, depending on the length of residual activity, there may either be single or consecutive applications (seed treatment, soil, foliar, unless otherwise stated) of the Group 4A insecticides. Do not exceed the maximum Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa allowed per growing season.
- Following a treatment window of Group 4A insecticides, rotate to a treatment window of effective products with a different mode of action before making additional applications of Group 4A insecticides.
- A treatment window rotation, along with other IPM practices for the crop and use area, is considered an effective strategy for preventing or delaying a pest's ability to develop resistance to this class of chemistry.
- If resistance is suspected, do not reapply Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa or any other Group 4A insecticides.

### Other Insect Resistance Management (IRM) practices include:

- Incorporating IPM techniques into your insect control program.
- Monitoring treated insect populations for loss of field efficacy.
- Using tank-mixtures or premixes with insecticides from a different target site of action group as long as the involved products are all registered for the same crop outlet and effective rates are applied.

### For additional information on Insect Resistance Management:

- Contact your local extension specialist, certified crop advisor and/or product manufacturer for additional insect resistance management recommendations.
- Visit the Insecticide Resistance Action Committee (IRAC) on the web at: <http://www.irc-online.org/>.

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## MIXING PROCEDURES

**Important:** Thoroughly shake the container of Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa prior to use.

Apply Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa as a water-based slurry utilizing standard slurry seed treatment equipment which provides uniform seed coverage. Uneven or incomplete seed coverage may not give the desired level of insect or disease control. Thoroughly mix the specified amount of Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa into the required amount of water for the slurry treater and dilution rate to be used. The typical density of Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa is 10.5 pounds per gallon. Consult the manufacturer of the application equipment you plan to use for suitability for this application and for instructions on operation and calibration of the equipment.

- Use an EPA-approved dye or colorant that imparts an unnatural color to the seed as stated in 40 CFR 153.155 (c).
- Allow seed to dry before bagging.
- Store away from feed and foodstuffs.

Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa has been found to be compatible with some liquid inoculant products. Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa may be mixed or applied sequentially with approved liquid inoculants. Consult the maker of the liquid inoculants and a Syngenta Crop Protection representative for directions before applying Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa with inoculants.

## SEED BAG LABEL REQUIREMENTS

The Federal Seed Act requires that bags containing treated seeds shall be labeled with the following statements:

- This seed has been treated with thiamethoxam insecticide.

- Do not use for feed, food or oil purposes.
- Excess treated seed may be used for ethanol production only if (1) by-products are not used for livestock feed and (2) no measurable residues of pesticide remain in ethanol by-products that are used for agronomic practice.
- User is responsible for ensuring that the seed bag meets all requirements under the Federal Seed Act.

In addition, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requires the following statements on bags containing seeds treated with Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa (thiamethoxam):

- Ground Water Advisory: This product has properties and characteristics associated with chemicals detected in ground water. This chemical may leach into the ground water if used in areas where soils are permeable, particularly where the water table is shallow.
- Pollinator Precautions: Thiamethoxam is highly toxic to bees, and effects are possible as a result of exposure to translocated residues in blooming crops. To mitigate this potential exposure, the first cutting of alfalfa should occur before bloom.
- Store away from food and feedstuffs.
- Wear long-sleeved shirt, long pants and chemical-resistant gloves when handling treated seed.
- Treated seeds exposed on soil surface may be hazardous to wildlife. Cover or collect treated seeds spilled during loading.
- Dispose of seed packaging in accordance with local requirements.
- In the event of crop failure or harvest of a crop grown from Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa treated seed, the field may be replanted immediately to alfalfa, Brassica (cole) leafy vegetables, cereal grains (including barley, buckwheat, corn, pearl millet, proso millet, oats, popcorn, rice (dry-seeded), rye, sorghum, teosinte, triticale, wheat and wild rice), canola, cotton, cucurbit vegetables, dry bulb onions, fruiting vegetables, leafy vegetables, legume vegetables, mint (peppermint and spearmint), oil seed crops (black mustard seed, borage seed, crambe seed, field mustard seed, flax seed, Indian mustard seed, Indian rapeseed seed, peanuts, rapeseed seed, and safflower seed), root vegetables, strawberry, sunflowers, tobacco, and tuberous and corn vegetables. For any other crop, the minimum plant back interval is 120 days from the date the Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa treated seed was planted. A cover crop other than the crops listed above that is planted for erosion control or soil improvement may be planted sooner than the 120 day interval; however, the crop may not be grazed or harvested for food or feed.
- Do not allow children, pets, or livestock to have access to treated seed.
- Treated seed must be planted into the soil at a depth greater than 1 inch.
- Dispose of all excess treated seed. Leftover treated seed may be double-sown around the headland or buried away from water sources in accordance with local requirements. Do not contaminate water bodies when disposing of planting equipment washwaters.
- Do not make any soil or foliar application of products containing thiamethoxam to crops grown from seed treated with Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa (thiamethoxam).
- For alfalfa: Do not use at a rate that will result in more than 0.022 lb. thiamethoxam per acre (10.0 grams ai/A) per season. This seed has been treated with thiamethoxam at \_\_\_x\_\_\_ mg ai/seed.

## CROP USE DIRECTIONS

### ALFALFA

Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa seed treatment will protect young alfalfa seedlings from damage caused by aphids and leaf hoppers for the first cut crop only. Apply Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa at 0.001 milligrams thiamethoxam per seed\* (each fluid ounce of Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa contains 17.7 grams of thiamethoxam).

\*Based on an average of 210,000 alfalfa seeds per pound.

It is highly recommended to use Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa with compatible and registered seed treatment fungicides proven to provide seed and seedlings against diseases. These fungicides must show safety on treated seed, alone or in combination with Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa.

### Restrictions:

Do not use a Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa rate that will result in more than 0.022 lb thiamethoxam per acre (10 grams ai/A) per season.

Apply Cruiser 5FS Alfalfa to alfalfa seed in commercial seed treatment facilities only. Do not use in hopper box, slurry box, or other farmer-applied applications.

## STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage, disposal, or cleaning of equipment.

### Pesticide Storage

Store in a cool, dry place. Do not store above 90°F for extended periods.

For minor spills, leaks, etc., follow all precautions indicated on this label and clean up immediately. Take special care to avoid contamination of equipment and facilities during cleanup procedures and disposal of wastes.

### Pesticide Disposal

Wastes resulting from the use of this product must be disposed of on site or at an approved waste disposal facility. If these wastes cannot be used according to label instructions, contact your State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency or the Hazardous Waste representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance in proper disposal methods.

### Container Handling

Refillable container. Refill this container with pesticide only. Do not use this container for any other purpose. Cleaning the container before final disposal is the responsibility of the person disposing of the container. Cleaning before refilling is the responsibility of the refiller. To clean container before final disposal, empty the remaining contents from this container into application equipment or mix tank. Fill the container about 10 percent full with water. Agitate vigorously or recirculate water with the pump for 2 minutes. Pour or pump rinseate into application equipment or rinseate collection system. Repeat this rinsing procedure two more times. Then offer for recycling if available or puncture and dispose of in a sanitary landfill, by incineration, or by other procedures allowed by state and local authorities.

**CONTAINER IS NOT SAFE FOR FOOD, FEED, OR DRINKING WATER!**

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