

BioVECTOR® 355

Biological Insecticide

For the control of *Diaprepes* root weevil, blue-green weevil,
and other citrus root weevils.

Granular Formulation

ACTIVE INGREDIENT: Infective juveniles of the beneficial nematode *Steinernema riobrave*.

Container holds not less than 2 billion live nematodes.

CAUTION
KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
FOR AGRICULTURAL USE ONLY

BioVector® 355 is exempt from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Requirements of Registration (FIFRA, Section 25 (b)(1)).

GENERAL INFORMATION

BioVector® 355 Biological Insecticide for Citrus controls the soil dwelling stages of the sugarcane rootstalk borer (*Diaprepes abbreviatus*), citrus root weevil (*Pachnaeus litus*) and the blue-green weevil (*P. opalus*). The active ingredient in **BioVector® 355** is a naturally occurring insect parasitic nematode (*Steinernema riobrave*) that searches out, enters, and kills the target pests. This nematode has not been modified in any way. **BioVector® 355** does not parasitize plants.

The nematodes are formulated in a water dispersible granule. For best results, follow irrigation and application recommendations carefully.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

Read all instructions thoroughly before applying **BioVector® 355** Biological Insecticide.

RECOMMENDED RATES

| | Blue-green or Citrus rootweevil (<i>Pachnaeus</i> spp.) | <i>Diaprepes abbreviatus</i> | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|------------------------------|
| Citrus Grove Treatment | Sandy Soil: 10,000 - 20,000 per square foot* Apply 1-2 times per year | Sandy Soil: 20,000 per square foot Apply 1-3 times per year | |
| | Heavy (Flatwoods) soil: 20,000 - 30,000 per square foot Apply 1-2 times per year | Heavy (Flatwoods) soil: 20,000 - 40,000 per square foot Apply 1-3 times per year | |
| Citrus Bare-root Treatment (Nursery) | 20,000 per square foot Apply 2-3 times per year | 20,000 per square foot Apply 2-3 times per year | |
| Container Nursery Treatment | 2 Billion Nematodes Treats: | | 2 Billion Nematodes Treats: |
| | Square Pots: | Number of Pots: | Square Pots: Number of Pots: |
| | 4" X 4" | 250,000 pots | 4" X 4" 250,000 pots |
| | 6" X 6" | 111,100 pots | 6" X 6" 111,100 pots |
| | Round Pots: | Number of Pots: | Round Pots: Number of Pots: |
| | 8" | 141,460 pots | 8" 141,460 pots |
| | 12" | 35,360 pots | 12" 35,360 pots |

*20,000 per square foot equals 200 million per treated acre under mature citrus grove situations.

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APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS

- **BioVector® 355** is compatible with most agrichemicals (see compatibility table).
- A nematicide should not be applied within 14 days before or after application of **BioVector® 355**.
- For best results, use cool water to dilute and apply **BioVector® 355**.
- Irrigate for 15-30 minutes immediately prior to **BioVector® 355** application, to cool lines and wet surrounding soil surface.
- For best results, apply **BioVector® 355** to moist soil (moist to 2 inch depth). Irrigate prior to application if soil under tree is not moist.
- Agitate feeder tank during mixing and injection.
- For even distribution, inject **BioVector® 355** suspension over a period of at least one hour.
- Irrigate grove (minimum of 0.5 inch) after soil application to incorporate **BioVector® 355** into the soil.

◆ Application through Micro-irrigation Systems:

1. Pre-irrigate grove or nursery if necessary to achieve uniform soil moisture to at least 2 inches (deeper on sandy ridge soils).
2. Prepare irrigation system by removing screens and filters if possible. If screens must remain, a U.S. mesh screen size of 50 or coarser should be used.
3. Do not subject **BioVector® 355** to pump pressures exceeding 300 psi.
4. Calibrate the injection pump to deliver the concentrate over a one hour period.
5. Irrigate for 15-30 minutes immediately prior to starting **BioVector® 355** injection to cool the lines and establish a wetting pattern under trees.
6. Pour water dispersible granules directly into tank water or a slurry may be pre-mixed and then added to the tank water. The water temperature should be between 40-90°F. Add sufficient water to apply product over a period of one hour.
7. The **BioVector® 355** suspension may be held in the agitated tank for up to 24 hours. Keep tank cool (under 90° F).
8. Irrigate grove after application with 0.5-1.0 inch of water.

◆ Band Application with Irrigation in Grove or Nursery

BioVector® 355 may be applied with a modified spray boom or airblast sprayer, followed immediately by irrigation (low volume, set overhead or traveling gun). Remove screens from herbicide filter and nozzles. If screens must remain, a U.S. mesh screen size of 50 or coarser should be used. Pre-irrigate prior to **BioVector® 355** application to moisten soil to at least 2 inches deep. Apply **BioVector® 355** in at least 100 gallons of water per acre in a banding pattern to moist soil inside the drip line of tree. The product should be applied to the root zone between the tree trunk and the drip line. Continue irrigation for a minimum of 1 hour after spraying.

◆ Containerized Nursery Applications

In containerized citrus, best results are achieved by hand-treating pots with a diluted **BioVector® 355** drench followed with 0.5-1.0 inches of overhead irrigation. Please refer to the table on the front for information on treating containers.

BIOVECTOR® 355 COMPATIBILITY TABLE

BioVector® 355 may be used simultaneously with citrus-registered pesticides and fertilizers, except for the following:

| SCHEDULE | CHEMICAL NAME | TRADE NAME(S) |
|--|---|---|
| Do not use one week before / after BioVector® 355 | HERBICIDES 2, 4-D | Various |
| | INSECTICIDES azinphosmethyl bendiocarb chlorpyrifos methomyl | Guthion® Rotate® Lorsban® Lannate® |
| Do not use two weeks before / after BioVector® 355 | NEMATICIDES aldicarb fenamiphos oxamyl | Temik® Nemacur® Vydate® |

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Lorsban® trademark of Dow AgroSciences
Lannate®, Vydate® trademarks of DuPont Crop Protection
Temik® trademark of Aventis CropScience

STORAGE AND HANDLING

Store in a cool, dry location out of direct sunlight. **BioVector® 355** may be stored at temperatures between 45°F and 60°F for up to 60 days. DO NOT FREEZE. Do not store diluted product; apply immediately after mixing.

DISPOSAL

Product container waste resulting from the use of this product, or unused, outdated product, may be disposed of on site or at any approved waste disposal facility in accordance with federal and local regulations.

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