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A soluble concentrate, non-selective, foliar, systemic herbicide with a wetting agent for use in glyphosate tolerant crops and for the control of a wide range of annual- and perennial grasses, broadleaf weeds, certain woody perennials and industrial weed control.

**GROUP** 

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**HERBICIDE** 

Active Ingredients: Glyphosate (glycine)......500 g acid equivalent/ℓ (potassium salt)

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#### **Hazard statement:**

Toxic to aquatic life with long-lasting effects. May be harmful if inhaled.



#### Precautionary statements:

Keep out of reach of children. **Prevention:** Avoid release to the environment.

Response: Collect spillage.
Storage: Store locked-up.

Disposal: Dispose of contents/container to an

approved waste disposal plant.

WARNING

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#### 1. WARNINGS:

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#### Waiting period:

- Do not transplant seedlings within 7 10 days after the last TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH application.
- The germination and growth of small seeded crops e.g., onions can be reduced significantly up to eight (8) weeks after application on soils with a very low clay content (< 10% clay).</li>

Withholding periods: Minimum number of days between last application and harvest.

- Harmful if swallowed or inhaled.
- Avoid contact with skin or eyes since product is an eyeirritant and may cause skin sensitisation.
- Store away from food, feed, fertilisers and other chemicals.
- Keep out of reach of children, uninformed persons and animals
- Flammable: Keep away from heat and flames.
- Re-entry: Do not enter treated area until spray deposit has dried unless wearing protective clothing.

#### Transgenic and conventional crops:

Care should be taken to reduce drift of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** to an absolute minimum. **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** can cause serious damage to adjacent crops. This is especially important when **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** is used on glyphosate tolerant crops with conventional crops adjacent or even in the vicinity.

## Aerial application: (Only aquatic and invader plants).

 Notify all inhabitants in the immediate vicinity of the area to be sprayed and issue the necessary warnings. Do not spray over, or allow accidental drift to contaminate water or adjacent areas. However, aerial application is only

- recommended for the control of aquatic and invader weeds despite of them growing in water bodies.
- Glyphosate is a highly active herbicide, that, in very small quantities can cause serious damage to crop seedlings, deciduous fruit trees and grapevines during the budding and early season growth stages. Under the following conditions it can cause serious damage as far as 3 - 5 kilometers from the nearest flight path of the aircraft:
  - Cloudy weather.
  - Relative humidity above 80%.
  - Low air movement of less than 5 km per hour.
- Where such conditions prevail aerial application should not be carried out where crop seedlings, or deciduous fruit and grapevines in budding or early development stages are present within five (5) kilometers of the nearest flight path of the aircraft.

Although this remedy has been extensively tested under a large variety of conditions, the registration holder does not warrant that it will be efficacious under all conditions because the action and effect thereof may be affected by factors such as abnormal soil, climatic and storage conditions, quality of dilution water, compatibility with other substances not indicated on the label and the occurrence of resistance of the disease against the remedy concerned, as well as by the method, time and accuracy of application. The registration holder furthermore does not accept responsibility for damage to crops, vegetation and the environment, or harm to people or animal or for lack of performance of the remedy concerned due to failure of the user to follow the label instructions or to the occurrence of conditions, that could not have been foreseen in terms of the registration. Consult the supplier in the event of any uncertainty.

#### 2. PRECAUTIONS:

Precautionary statements: Keep out of reach of children. Prevention: Avoid release to the environment. Response: Collect spillage. Storage: Store locked-up. Disposal: Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

- Do not eat, drink, or smoke while handling this product.
- Prevent contamination of food, feed, drinking water and eating utensils.

- Wear rubber gloves and a face shield when handling the concentrate. If you get it in your eyes, flush it out at once.
   If you get it on your skin, wash it off at once. If you spill it on your clothes, change and wash them.
- Invert the empty container over the spray or mixing tank and allow to drain for at least 30 seconds after the flow has slowed down to a drip. Thereafter, rinse the container three (3) times with a volume of water equal to a minimum of 10% of that of the container. Add the rinsate to the contents of the spray tank before destroying the container in the prescribed manner.
- While spraying, avoid contact with the spray as much as you can. Avoid spray drift onto other crops, grazing rivers, or dams.
- Clean applicator thoroughly after use and dispose of wash water where it will not contaminate crops, grazing, rivers, or dams. Destroy empty container in the prescribed manner and do not use for any other purpose.
- Change and wash your work clothes. Wash yourself.

#### 3. RELEVANT SUBSTANCES:

Chemical name			
Not applicable			
Classification Concentration (% w/w)			
Not applicable	plicable Not applicable		

#### 4. RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT:

**TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** is a group code 9 herbicide. Any weed population may contain individuals naturally resistant to **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** and other group code 9 herbicides. The resistant individuals can eventually dominate the weed population if these herbicides are used repeatedly and exclusively in programs. These resistant weeds may not be controlled by **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** or any other group code 9 herbicides.

## To delay herbicide resistance:

- Avoid exclusive repeated use of herbicides from the same herbicide group code. Alternate or tank mix with products from different herbicide group codes. Refer to individual product labels when alternating products or when using tank mixtures.
- Integrate other control methods (chemical, cultural, biological) into weed control programs.
- Follow a sound crop rotation system wherein different herbicides from different herbicide mode of action classes can be used e.g., follow glyphosate tolerant maize with conventional soybeans in order to satisfy the requirement for crop rotation and the avoidance of repeated use of glyphosate.
- All cultivation of fields should be done to prevent weeds from flowering and seedling.
- Maintain herbicide-use records for each field.
- Prevent movement of resistant weed seeds and vegetative material to other fields by cleaning harvesting and tillage equipment and planting clean seed.
- Inspect each land annually in order to identify the development of resistance early.
- Populations of Conyza bonariensis, Lolium rigidum and Plantago lanceolata have already been identified and reported with known resistance against glyphosate

- containing herbicides. Avoid spraying such populations with **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH**.
- Due to the fact that these resistance populations vary in size and localities and are difficult to ascertain; it is essential that each field must be inspected annually to identify possible resistance early. If the preventative measures discussed above are not strictly adhered to SYNGENTA cannot be held responsible for the failure of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** to control resistant weeds.
- Always use TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH as part of an integrated crop- and resistance management program (strategy) in order to prevent weed resistance.
- This crop- and resistance management strategy should always include sequences with herbicides of alternative modes of action.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH should not be used more than three (3) times a year per field. If it becomes necessary to spray escapee target plants, use herbicides from another chemical class.
- To control and eliminate resistant or possible resistant weeds the aim should be a total prevention of seeding these biotypes.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH should be used as a tool to manage weed populations in order to prevent or delay resistance to products of various chemical classes and control various levels of resistance to different products and chemical classes.

A local farm strategy for preventing and managing possible resistance or actual resistance should be adopted. For specific information on resistance management contact the registration holder of this product.

#### 5. DIRECTIONS FOR USE: Use only as indicated.

- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH should only be applied to actively growing weeds that are not dormant or under temperature, moisture, or any other stress. Rain or irrigation a few days prior to a TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH application ensures that weeds are actively growing, resulting in optimum efficacy. Weeds growing during a stress period might seem small however, it could have completed its biological growth phase and by should therefore be treated as a mature weed when selecting dosage rates. The same apply to plants that have been grazed, cut, burned or even sprayed once with TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH or any other herbicide.
- Use only clean water with no suspended soil particles in the spray mixture.
- Always ensure that spray equipment is clean, free from all sediments, rust or dust and correctly calibrated before spraying.
- Use a low spray pressure (100 200 kPa) and the correct nozzles to avoid spray drift.
- Ensure even coverage of all weeds under application and apply to incipient runoff.
- When using **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** for chemical seedbed preparation for transplanted tomatoes, tobacco or any transplanted crop with green, soft stems, allow a minimum of 14 days between application and transplanting of seedlings.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH is actively absorbed through immature bark and leaves of most plants and trees. Contact with immature bark, such as in trees

- younger than three (3) years, can result in serious localised or translocated damage. Therefore, contact with leaves, green, or immature bark and fruit of desired plants, whether direct or by spray drift, must be avoided. Always make sure that only undesired plants are treated.
- Do not spray onto pruned vines or fruit trees until wounds have sealed properly.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH is a non-selective systemic herbicide and is only active when applied to the foliage and green bark of plants. The visible effect of TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH on treated foliage usually appears at 7 10 days after treatment but may vary according to weather conditions.
- Rain or irrigation within three (3) hours of application can reduce the efficacy of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH.**
- Do not spray on weed foliage covered with a layer of dust.
   In these situations apply after recent rain.
- Do not apply TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH to weeds that are covered with dew, or in a dormant growth phase or under stress conditions e.g., moisture, heat, or cold stess.
- Do not apply **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** when the atmospheric conditions are less favourable e.g., the humidity is less than 40% or the wind speed is more than 10 km/h.
- Pesticide runoff onto TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECHtreated weeds under trees in orchards can adversely affect
  the herbicide's activity. Do NOT spray other pesticides
  within 12 hours of a TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH
  application. TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH has no
  pre-emergence activity, therefore repeat applications are
  necessary (when applied on its own) to control weeds
  germinating from seed. Ensure that target weeds are fullyexposed to the TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH spray.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH can be applied on glyphosate tolerant cotton, soybean and maize plants. Any individual plants that do not contain the glyphosate tolerant gene would die when sprayed with glyphosate based products e.g., TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH will not control volunteer glyphosate tolerant crops.
- Inconsistent and variable control of weeds even at high rates may be experienced due to a number of reasons namely drought stress; cold or heat stress; plants with waxy layers e.g., Portulaca oleracea, Chenopodium album, Gisekia pharnecoides; natural resistance to glyphosate-based products e.g., Commelina bengalensis, Ipomoea spp. and Conyza bonariensis; acquired resistance due to the repeated use of glyphosate e.g., Lolium spp. and Conyza bonariensis (confirmed resistance in the RSA); poor coverage and penetration of exposed leaves e.g., Argemone subfusiformis; plants with bulbs and tubers e.g., Cyperus spp.; inconsistent relationship between above soil parts and below soil parts e.g., Conyza bonariensis after dry periods or growth during the winter and poor water quality.

## 5.1 Compatibility

**TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** is compatible with CALLISTO (L6795), DUAL GOLD (L5749), METAGAN GOLD (L5748), GARDOPRIM PLUS GOLD (L7736), KARATE (L3752), KARATE ZEON (L6330), tebuthiuron and diuron. Consult the various labels for DOSAGE RATES, WARNINGS and PRECAUTIONS.

#### Adjuvants:

- The addition of 0.5 2% ammonium sulphate in tank mixtures will enhance the efficacy of TOUCHDOWN
   FORTE HITECH when using poor quality water or water of an unknown quality. For optimal weed control ammonium sulphate should be used at all times.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH may not be mixed or used with any other adjuvant other than ammonium sulphate. The use of other adjuvants could lead to reductions in activity for which the registration holder would not accept any responsibility.

#### Atrazine:

TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH is not compatible
with any atrazine-containing product and should not be
tankmixed with any such products. Such mixtures would
result in poor control of weeds.

#### 5.2 Spraying Equipment

- All spray equipment must be properly calibrated and fitted with nozzles that deliver the correct volume of spray mixture in order to reach the spray target while covering the target evenly with droplets.
- The following equipment and corresponding volume spray mixture/ha is suitable for TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH applications (Consult the mobile application Cropwise Spray Assist):

	Tractor boom sprayers	100 - 300 ℓ/ha	
	Knapsack sprayers	100 - 300 ℓ/ha	
1	Aerial	5	
Š	(only aquatic and invader plant control)	30 - 40 ℓ/ha	

- The percentage solution spray recommendations refers to a solution made up of TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH in 100 \( \ell \) water e.g., 2% solution = 2 \( \ell \) TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH in 100 \( \ell \) water.
- **NOTE:** When spraying with such a solution, the minimum application rate is 200  $\ell$  spray mixture/ha.

#### 5.3 Mixing Instructions

- If ammonium sulphate is required, it should be added to the spray water first.
- Agitate the water until the ammonium sulphate is dissolved. Then add the required quantity of TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH.
- Ensure thorough agitation while mixing the spray mixture.
   Agitation must be continuous before and during spraying.
- When using tank mixes with residual herbicides in glyphosate tolerant crops, mix the EC formulations first into the water, then the SC formulations and only then the TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH while continuous agitation is taking place.

**Clean-up procedure:** To avoid subsequent injury to crops, clean application equipment and protective equipment thoroughly immediately after spraying by thoroughly flushing with water.

#### 5.4 Application

Always ensure that spray equipment is clean and free of

- rust and dust.
- Remove sediments e.g., residues of wettable powder pesticides, from spray tanks before use.
- Always use clean water.
- Avoid the use of brack or muddy water, or water with a high colloidal content derived from soils high in organic matter.
- Correctly calibrate all sprayers under field conditions prior to application.
- It is not necessary to spray to the point of runoff, but essential to ensure complete coverage of the target weed.
- Even application is essential for good results.

#### 5.4.1 Ground application

**TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** can be applied with conventional ground equipment (tractor mounted booms, knapsack, etc.) Optimum spray deposits are obtained with ground equipment calibrated to spray 100 - 300  $\ell$ /ha with suitable nozzles to ensure adequate coverage. Where drift is a problem do not exceed 2 bar. Use only the pressures recommended for specific nozzles to avoid drift.

#### 5.4.2 Aerial application

(Only aquatic and invader plant control)

Aerial application of this product may only be done by a registered aerial application operator using a correctly calibrated, registered aircraft according to the instructions of SANS 10118 (Aerial Application of Agricultural Remedies). It is important to ensure that the spray mixture is distributed evenly over the target area and that the loss of spray material during application is restricted to a minimum. It is therefore essential that the following criteria are met:

## a) Application parameters:

- **Volume:** A volume of 30 ℓ/ha is recommended. As this product has not been evaluated at a reduced volume rate, the registration holder cannot guarantee efficacy or be held responsible for any adverse effects if the product is applied aerially at a lower volume rate than recommended above.
- **Droplet coverage:** A droplet coverage of 30 45 droplets per cm<sup>2</sup> must be recovered at the target.
- **Droplet size:** A droplet spectrum with a VMD of 300 350 microns is recommended. Ensure that the production of fine droplets (less than 150 microns high drift and evaporation potential) is restricted to a minimum.
- **Flying height:** The height of the spray boom should be maintained at 3 4 metres above the target. Do not spray when aircraft is in a climb, at the top, during a dive, or when banking.

#### b) Equipment:

- Use suitable atomising equipment that will produce the desired droplet size and coverage but which will ensure the minimum loss of product either through endodrift (within target field) or exodrift (outside target field).
- The operator must use a setup that will produce a droplet spectrum with the lowest possible relative span.
- All nozzles/atomisers should be positioned within the inner 60 - 75% of the wingspan to prevent droplets from entering the wingtip vortices.

- c) Meteorological conditions:
- The difference in temperature between the wet and dry bulb thermometers, of a whirling hygrometer, should not exceed 8°C. The addition of a suitable anti-evaporant is recommended if the VMD of the droplets is less than 200 - 250 microns. Do not spray when the relative humidity is less than 40%.
- Stop spraying if the wind speed exceeds 10 km/h.
- Aerial application with this product must not be done under turbulent, unstable conditions during the heat of the day when rising thermals and downdraughts occur. Also note that the application of this product under temperature inversion conditions (spraying in or above the inversion layer) may lead to the following:
  - Reduced efficacy due to suspension and evaporation of small droplets in the air (inadequate coverage).
  - Damage to other sensitive crops and/or non-target areas through the movement of the suspended spray cloud away from the target field.

**General:** Do not spray plants covered with a thick layer of dust.

Obtain assurance from the aerial spray operator that the above specifications will be met.

#### 5.5 Application Rates

- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH will control most emerged annual weeds germinating from seed in situations such as fallow land, preplant of crops, reduced or conservation tillage, perennial vine and tree crops and industrial areas.
- Apply the TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH dosage rate according to the weed growth stage: The higher dosage rates within the range should be used when the weeds are older and more established in the specific growth stage. The dosage rates under industrial weed control apply to that sector only.

# CONTROL OF NOXIOUS AND TROUBLESOME WEEDS

## 1.1 NOXIOUS WEEDS AND INVADER PLANTS

Botanical name		Dosage rate	
Common name/ algemene naam	Remarks	ℓ <b>/</b> ha	Solution
Acacia mearnsii black wattle/ swartwattel	Apply in summer to young trees from 0.1 - 2 m high.	<b>2</b> ℓ	1%
Acacia saligna Port Jackson willow/ goudwilger	Apply in autumn or spring. <b>Seedlings only:</b> Bipinnate leaf stage: 1.3 $\ell$ /ha. Up to 60 cm high: 2.6 $\ell$ /ha.	<b>1.3</b> ℓ	1%
Caesalpinia decapetala  Mauritius thorn/ kraaldoring	Apply by knapsack sprayer during summer.	<b>2</b> ℓ	1%
Chromolaena odorata paraffin weed/ paraffienbos	Slash re-growth in winter if necessary. Apply in summer to new growth when more than 0.5 m high.	-	0.7%

# **NOXIOUS WEEDS AND INVADER PLANTS** cont.

NOXIOUS WEEDS	S AND INVADER PL	ANTS	cont.
Botanical name Common name/	Remarks	Dosage rate	
algemene naam	8)	ℓ/ha	Solution
Convolvulus arvensis field bind-weed/ akkerwinde	Apply in summer at onset of flowering. If re-growth occurs spray with 1% solution.	<b>⊗</b> <sup>4</sup> ℓ	5)
Lantana camara common Latana/ gewone Latana	Slash large bushes in winter if necessary. Apply on active growth in summer.	<b>4</b> ℓ	2%
Opuntia ficus- indica prickly-pear/ turksvy	For trees with 20 - 250 cladodes: Drill 4 - 12 holes in stem and inject 3 mℓ of a 22% solution per hole.	18	22%
Phytolacca heptandra ink berry/ inkbossie	Apply in summer by knapsack sprayer.	<b>2</b> ℓ	1%
Plantago lanceolata narrow-leaved ribworth/ smalweëblaar	Apply in spring before flowering.	<u>2</u> ℓ	1%
Rubus cuneifolius American bramble/ Amerikaanse braambos	Slash rank growth in winter. Apply in autumn or summer when new growth is more than 0.5 m high. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1% solution.	4 ℓ	2%
Sesbania punicae red Sesbania/ rooi Sesbania	Seedling plants less than 1 m high: Use 1% solution.  Tall shrubs: Slash, spray re-growth with 1 - 1.3% solution at 1 m high.	<b>2</b> ℓ	1%
Solanum mauritianum bugweed/ luisboom	Apply in spring or summer.  Large trees: Cut to 50 cm, allow new growth of at least 50 cm before application.  Saplings: Apply directly to foliage.	<b>1.3</b> <i>ℓ</i>	1%
Prosopis spp. (e.g., Prosopis glandulosa)	Control of vegeta reproduction proces Mesquite seedlings Prosopis of Suidwes stomp hergroei	ses and co	
after good rains wh actively growing. Apply to seedlings 1 should be actively not show any signs stress. The seedlir foliated before spray Foliar applications	ner (January - March) en <i>Prosopis</i> spp. are - 2 m high. Seedlings growing and should of wilting or any other ngs should be well-		3.5 - 6.6%

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	following year.		3)	
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	growing and should	not show any signs		
		er stress. Care should		
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	glandulosa)	Suidwes doring)	ℓ/ha	Solution
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		en <i>Prosopis</i> spp. are		
	actively growing.			
	Applications should	be done in at least	2	
	30 - 40 spray volum	ne/ha.		
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		between 2 - 3 years		
		cation. These follow-		- R O
up applications will be necessary due				
to re-growth where insufficient coverage				
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	should be done with	a 3% solution.		
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		of new seedlings.		
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	not offer any residual			
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# 1.2 PERENNIAL GRASSES

Botanical name		Dos	age rate
Common name/ algemene naam	Remarks	ℓ/ha	Solution
Cynodon dactylon common couch/ gewone kweekgras	Summer rainfall region Apply to active growth in autumn or summer. If regrowth occurs, spray with 1.65% solution.	4 (	nta
	Winter rainfall region Apply as above in autumn.	<b>6</b> ℓ	-
Eragrostis curvula weeping love grass/ oulandsgras	Apply to active growth in summer or autumn.	1.3 ℓ	1%

# PERENNIAL GRASSES cont.

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Botanical name Common name/	Remarks	Dosa	ge rate
algemene naam	)	ℓ/ha	Solution
Eragrostis curvula weeping love grass/ oulandsgras	Applications to established tufts of weeping love grass could lead to poor control. Follow-up applications of 1% solutions would be necessary to control the regrowth.	<b>1.3</b> ℓ	1%
Paspalum dilatatum common Paspalum/ gewone Paspalum	Apply in summer at flower but before seed drop. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1% solution.	4 (	2%
Paspalum paspalodes couch Paspalum/ kweek Paspalum	Apply in summer at flowering but before seed drop. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1.3% solution or 2.6 $\ell$ /ha. Apply the higher rate in the winter rainfall region.	<b>5.3</b> - 6 ℓ	53
Panicum maximum common buffalo grass/ gewone buffelsgras	Apply in summer to actively growing plants. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1% solution.	2.6 ℓ	1.3%
Pennisetum clandestinum kikuyu/ kikoejoe	Apply in summer to actively growing plants. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1% solution.	2.6 ℓ	1.3%
Setaria megaphylla bush buffalo grass/ bosbuffelgras	Apply to actively growing plants in autumn or summer.  If re-growth occurs, spray with 1% solution.	<b>4</b> ℓ	2%
Sorghum halepense Johnson grass/ Johnsongras	Apply in summer or autumn. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1% solution.	2.6 ℓ	1.3%
Sorghum bicolor subsp. arundinaceum common wildsorghum/ gewone wilde sorghum	Apply to actively growing plants in summer or autumn.	<b>1.3</b> <i>ℓ</i>	1%
Stipa trichotoma nassela tussock/ nassela polgras	Apply in winter using high water volumes. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1% or 1.3% solution.	2.6 ℓ	1%

## 1.3 AQUATIC WEEDS

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Botanical name		Dosa	ge rate	
Common name/	Remarks	0/10-0	Calution	
algemene naam	63	ℓ/ha	Solution	
Eichornia	Ground	4 - 5.3 ℓ	-	

## **AQUATIC WEEDS** cont.

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crassipes water hyacinth/ waterhiasint	application Apply in summer on active growth in 500 - 800 ℓ water/ ha. Follow-up applications may be necessary due to the reproductive and growth habit of the weed. Aerial application Apply in summer on active growth in 30 ℓ water/ha.	4 - 5.3 (	nta a
Phragmites australis common reed/ gewone fluitjiesriet	Ground application Apply in summer at 20 - 30% flowering in 1 000 - 1 500 ℓ spray mixture/ha. Use the lower rate if growing conditions are favourable. Follow-up applications may be necessary due to the reproductive and growth habit of the weed. Slash any re-growth, repeat at 0.5 m height with a 1.3% solution.	- 60'	1.3 - 2 %
erte S	Aerial application Apply in summer in 20 ℓ water/ha at early flowering stage on actively growing weeds. Follow-up applications may be necessary due to the reproductive and growth habit of the weed. To improve the coverage it is recommended that the application should be made with a split application from both directions.	10 ℓ	syllate

# 1.4 SEDGES

Botanical name	400	Dosa	ge rate
Common name/ algemene naam	Remarks	ℓ <b>/ha</b>	Solution
Cyperus esculentus yellow nutsedge/ geeluintjie	Apply in summer at pre-flowering stage. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1% solution or 2 $\ell$ /ha. (Best results in Feb/March).	4 €	2%
Cyperus rotundus purple nutsedge/ rooiuintjie	Apply in summer at pre-flowering stage. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1% solution or 2 $\ell$ /ha. (Best results in Feb/March).	<b>4</b> ℓ	2%

#### 1.5 INDUSTRIAL WEED CONTROL

The rates inducated below are only applicable to industrial weed control.

ı	weed control.			
	Botanical name		Dosage rate	
(	Common name/ algemene naam	Remarks	ℓ/ha	Solution
	Perennial grasses: Cynodon dactylon common couch/ gewone kweekgras	gento	<b>4</b> ℓ	2%
	Cynodon nlemfuensis stargrass/ reuse kweekgras of stergras	Apply to vigorous growing plants in summer or in autumn when nutrients are actively	18	
	senta	translocated to roots, rhizomes and stolons. Follow-up with 2.6 $\ell$ /ha (1.6% solution) if any re-growth occurs.	<b>4</b> ℓ	2%
	Pennisetum clandestinum kikuyu/ kikoejoe	Spray on active growth in summer. Spray re-growth with 2 $\ell$ /ha or 1% solution.	2.6 ℓ	1.3%
	Paspalum paspalodes couch Paspalum/ kweek Paspalum		<b>4</b> ℓ	2%
	Paspalum dilatatum common Paspalum/ gewone Paspalum	Apply on active growing plants. Follow-up with half the recommended dosage rate if re-growth occurs.	<b>4</b> ℓ	2%

## ANNUAL BROADLEAF WEEDS AND ANNUAL GRASSES

	Rotanical name	Common name	Dosage rate	
		(algemene naam)	ℓ/ha	Solution
	Annual broadleaf w	reeds	4	
	Amaranthus hybridus	common pigweed (Kaapse misbredie)	<i>5</i> e	
	Amaranthus spinosus	thorny pigweed (doringmisbredie)	10	
	*Argemone subfusiformis	white flowered Mexican poppy (witblom bloudissel)		
	Bidens bipinnata	Spanish black jack (Spaanse knapsekêrel)		5)
	Bidens pilosa	<b>black jack</b> (knapsekêrel)	2.6 - 4 $\ell$	1.3 - 2%
	Chenopodium album	white goosefoot (withondebossie)		
	Conyza floribunda	tall fleabane (springkaanbos)		40
	Datura ferox	large thorn apple (groot stinkblaar)	se	
	Datura stramonium	thorn apple (stinkblaar)	16	
	Oxalis pes-caprae	yellow sorrel (geelsuring)		

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Common name		Dosage rate	
Botanical name	(algemene naam)	ℓ/ha	Solution
Annual broadleaf w	veeds	<u> </u>	
Polygonum	Prostrate		
aviculare	knotweed		4.0
Richardia	(voëlduisendknoop)		
brasiliensis	tropical Richardia (tropiese Richardia)	361	
Senecio ilicifolius	ragwort (gifbossie)	2.6 - 4 $\ell$	1.3 - 2%
Schkuhria pinnata	dwarf marigold (kleinkakiebos)		
Tagetes minuta	khaki weed (kakiebos)		
Annual Grasses			611
Aristida junciformis	bristle grass (koperdraadgras)		
Cymbopogon plurinodes	bitter turpentine grass (bosveld terpentyn gras)		
Digitaria sanguinalis	<b>crab fingergrass</b> (kruisvingergras)		10
Diheteropogon filifolius	wire blue stem (smalblaarblougras)	961	
Eleusine indica	goose grass (Jongosgras)		
Eragrostis curvula	weeping love grass (oulandsgras)		
Eulalia villosa	golden velvet grass (geel fluweelgras)		5)
Loudetia simplex	russet grass (stingelgras)	.)	
Monocymbium ceresiiforme	wild oat grass (wildehawergras)	<b>2.6 - 4</b> ℓ	1.3 - 2%
Panicum maximum	common		
	buffalograss		
フリ	(gewone buffelsgras)		
Panicum natalense	Natal buffalo		
- Instantination	grass		
	(Natal buffelsgras)		
Rhynchelytrum	Natal red-top		
repens	(Natalse rooipluimgras		
Sporobolus	rush grass		
Sporobolus africanus	(taaipol)		
Stiburus alopecuriodes	pongwa grass (koperdraadgras)	)	
Tragus racemosus	large carrotseed		
	grass		
	(groot		
	wortelsaadgras)		KO
Urochloa	herringbone	DAY	
panicoides	grass		1

<sup>\*</sup> Inconsistent control

## 2. CONTROL OF ANNUAL WEEDS

**TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** will give inconsistent control of

• Commelina benghalensis (wandering Jew).

Plants with thick waxy leaves e.g., Portulaca oleracea.

The registration holder will not accept any responsibility for poor control of these plants.

#### 2.1 BROADLEAF WEEDS

The following broadleaf weeds will be controlled at the rates of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** and growth stages as indicated below:

Growth stage	Dosage
1 to 12-leaf	0.5 - 0.7 <i>l</i> /ha
12-leaf to pre-bloom	0.7 - 1 $\ell$ /ha
Flowering	1 - 1.3 <i>l</i> /ha
Botanical name	Common name
	(algemene naam)
Alternanthera pungens	khaki bur weed (kakiedubbeltjie)
Amaranthus hybridus	common pigweed (Kaapse misbredie)
Amaranthus spinosus	thorny pigweed
Amaranthus thunbergii	(doringmisbredie) red pigweed
Arctotheca calendula	(rooimisbredie)  Cape marigold
Arctotis venusta	(witgousblom)  Free State daisy
	(soetgousblom)
*Argemone subfusiformis	white flowered Mexican poppy
Bidens pilosa	(witblom bloudissel)  black jack
Boerhavia diffusa	(knapsekêrel) erect Boerhavia
	(regop Boerhavia)
Cenia turbinata	goose daisy (ganskos)
*Chenopodium album	white goosefoot (withondebossie)
*Chenopodium ambrosioides	American goosefoot
*Chenopodium carinatum	(kruiehondebossie) green goosefoot
*Chenopodium murale	(groen hondebossie) nettle-leaved goosefoot
Cirsium arvense	(muurhondebossie)  Canada thistle
	(Kanada-dissel)
Citrullus lanatus	bitter apple (karkoer)
Conyza canadensis	horseweed fleabane (Kanadese skraalhans)
***Conyza floribunda	tall fleabane (vaalskraalhans)
***Coronopus didymus	Swinecress
Cotula tenella	(peperkruid)
Crotalaria sphaerocarpa	(-) mealie Crotalaria
Cucumis spp.	(mielie Crotalaria) wild cucumber
4	(wildekomkommer)
Datura ferox	large thorn apple (grootstinkblaar)
Datura stramonium	thorn apple (stinkblaar)
Emex australis	spiny Emex (Kaapse dubbeltjie)
Fumaria muralis	fumitory
Galinsoga parviflora	(duiwekerwel) gallant soldier
*Gisekia pharnaceiodes	(knopkruid) <b>Gisekia</b>
	(Gisekia)
(2nanhalium auhtalaatum	cuuweeu
Gnaphalium subfalcatum	(-)
Gnaphalium subfalcatum Hibiscus cannabinus	(-) <b>kenaf</b> (wildestokroos)

#### BROADLEAF WEEDS cont.

**Ipomoea purpurea	common morning glory (purpurwinde)
Lepidium africanum	pepper cress
Medicago spp.	(peperbossie)
Oxalis pes-caprae	(-) yellow sorrel
Chaire pos sapras	(geelsuring)
Pentzia grandiflora	stinkweed (stinkkruid)
Physalis angulata	wild gooseberry (wilde appelliefie)
**Portulaca oleracea	purslane
Pseudognaphalium luteo-album	(porslein) <b>cudweed</b>
Pseudognaphalium undulatum	(-) undulate cudweed
Schkuhria pinnata	(-) dwarf marigold
*Senecio burchellii	(kleinkakiebos) molteno-disease-plant
*Senecio consanguineus	(burshell-senecio) starvation Senecio
Sesamum triphyllum	(hongerbossenecio) wild sesame
Sonchus oleraceus	(wildeasem) sowthistle
	(sydissel)
Spergula arvensis	corn spurry
Stellaria media	(sporrie) chickweed
Tagetes minuta	(sterremuur) khaki weed
	(kakiebos)
Tetragonia caesia	<del>-</del> (-)
Tribulus terrestris	dubbeltjie (dubbeltjie)
Veronica spp.	Veronica
	(Veronica)

- \* Inconsistent control of certain populations of *Chenopodium* spp. have been seen. Care should be taken to avoid the development of resistance in these populations by alternating different herbicides from chemical classes as suggested in the paragraph on resistance management of this label.
- \*\* Even at high rates variable control of *Ipomoea* spp. and *Portulacea* spp. can be experienced which would require a follow-up application.
- \*\*\* Inconsistent control and resistance problems.

#### 2.2 GRASSES

The following grasses will be controlled at the rates of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** and growth stages as indicated below:

Growth stage	Dosage
1 to 12-leaf	0.5 - 0.7 ℓ/ha
12-leaf to pre-bloom	0.7 - 1 ℓ/ha
Flowering	1 - 1.3 ℓ/ha
Botanical name	Common name (algemene naam)
<ul><li>Avena spp.</li><li>Avena fatua</li><li>Briza maxima</li></ul>	wild oats (wildehawer) common wild oats (gewone wildehawer) quaking grass
Bromus diandrus Chloris virgata Eleusine indica	(bewertjiesgras) ripgut brome (predikantsluis) feathertop Chloris (witpluimchloris) goose grass (jongosgras)

#### **GRASSES** cont.

Ehrharta longiflora oat-seed grass (hawersaadgras) Hordeum murinum wild barley (wildegras) Italian ryegrass Lolium multiflorum (Italiaanse raaigras) Lolium temulentum darnel (drabok) Panicum schinzii sweet buffalo grass (soet buffelsgras) Paspalum urvillei (seedlings) tall Paspalum (langbeen Paspalum) • Phalaris canariensis canary grass (kanariegras) Phalaris minor little-seeded canary grass (kleinsaadkanariegras) Poa annua winter grass (wintergras) Natal red-top Rhynchelytrum repensx (Natalse rooipluim) Secale cereale Setaria pallide-fusca red bristle grass (rooi borselaras) Setaria verticillata sticky bristle grass (klitsborselgras) Sorghum bicolor subsp wild grain-sorghum (wildegraansorghum) drummondii large carrot-seed grass Tragus racemosus (grootwortelsaadgras) Triticum aestivum volunteer wheat (opslagkoring) volunteer maize \*Zea mays (opslagmielie)

\* TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH will not control volunteer glyphosate tolerant cotton, soybeans or maize.

Even at the higher rates, the control of large-established tufted ryegrass species, weeping love grass tufts and other tufted grasses as well as volunteer conventional maize may be variable which may necessitate a follow-on re-spray. Adjust the rates for volunteer maize according to weed size and density.

#### 2.3 BROADLEAF WEEDS

The following broadleaf weeds will be controlled at the rates of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** and growth stages as indicated below:

Growth stage	Dosage
1 to 12-leaf	0.8 - 1 ℓ/ha
12-leaf to pre-bloom	1 - 1.3 ℓ/ha
Flowering	1.6 - 2 ℓ/ha
Botanical name	Common name (algemene naam)
Acalypha glabrata	-
Ageratum conyzoides	invading Ageratum
Aizoon canariense	(indringer-Ageratum)
Boerhavia erecta	erect Boerhavia
Cleome gynandra	spider wasp
*Conyza bonariensis	flax-leaf fleabane
Corchorus trilocularis	(kleinskraalhans)
Echium lycopsis	purple Echium
Euphorbia chamaesyce	hairy creeping milk weed (harige kruipmelkkruid)

#### **BROADLEAF WEEDS** cont

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	Euphorbia geniculata	painted milkweed
	Euphorbia hirta	red milkweed (rooimelkkruid)
	Euphorbia inaequilatera	smooth creeping milk weed
	Fimbristylis hispidula	(gladdekruipmelkkruid) slender sedge
	Flaveria bidentis	smelter's bush
	Gnaphalium undulatum	(smeltersbossie) undulated cudweed
	Hyporchoeris radicata	(groenbossie) hairy wild lettuce
	*Ipomoea plebeia	(harige skaapslaai)
	Lactuca serriola	wild lettuce
	Lepidium bonariense	(wildeslaai) pepper cress
	Melinis nerviglumis	(peperbossie)
	Nicandra physaloides	(-) apple of Peru
	Oenothera rosea	(basterappelliefie) rose evening primrose
	Oxalis spp.	(rooskleurige nagblom) sorrel
	Oxygonum sinuadum	(suring)
	Parthenium hysterophorus	Domonia weed
	Polygonum arviculare	(domoniabossie) prostrate knotweed
	Raphanus raphanistrum	(voëlduisendknoop) wild radish
	Senecio apifolius	(ramenas)
	Sida cordifolia	(-) heartleaf Sida
	Sida rhombifolia	(hartblaartaaiman) arrowleaf-Sida
	Solanum nigrum	(smalblaartaaiman) black nightshade
	Tephrosia polystachya	(nastergal)
	Trianthema portulacastrum	(-) -
	Verbena officinalis	(-) European Verbena
ı		(-)

\* Even at high rates variable control of *Ipomoea* spp. and *Conyza bonariensis* can be experienced which would require a follow-up application.

#### 2.4 GRASSES

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Growth stage	Dosage
1 to 12-leaf	0.8 - 1 <i>l</i> /ha
12-leaf to pre-bloom	1 - 1.3 ℓ/ha
Flowering	1.6 - 2.6 ℓ/ha
Botanical name	Common name (algemene naam)
Bothriochloa insculpta	-
Brachiaria eruciformis	(-) sweet signal grass (litjiesinjaalgras)
Dactyloctenium aegyptium	crowfoot
Digitaria sanguinalis	(hoenderspoor) crab finger-grass (kruisvingergras)
Echinochloa colona	marsh grass
Echinochloa crus-galli	(moerasgras) barnyard grass (hanepootmanna)
Eragrostis capensis	
Eragrostis ciliaris	(-) (-)

#### GRASSES cont.

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Eragrostis virescens	Chilean love grass (Chileense eragrostis)
Heteropogon contortus	common spear grass
Hyparrhenia gazensis	(gewone pylgras)
Panicum maximum	common buffalo grass
Paspalum urvillei	(gewone buffelsgras) tall Paspalum
Pseudobrachiaria deflexa	(langbeen Paspalum) false signal grass
Setaria sphacelata	(bastersinjaalgras)
Themeda triandra	(-) -
Tragus berteronianus	(rooigras) small carrot-seed grass
Urochloa mosambicensis	(kleinwortelsaadgras) <b>bushveld herringbone grass</b>
Urochloa panicoides	(bosveld beesgras) herringbone grass
Trystachia leucotrix	(beesgras)
n jotas na rodostnik	(-)

#### 2.5 BROADLEAF WEEDS

The following broadleaf weeds will be controlled at the rates of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** and growth stages as indicated below:

Growth stage	Dosage
1 to 12-leaf	1 - 2 ℓ/ha
12-leaf to pre-bloom	2 ℓ/ha
Flowering	2 ℓ/ha
Botanical name	Common name (algemene naam)
Erodium moschatum	musk heron's bill (turknael)

Malva parviflora	small mallow (kiesieblaar)
Botanical name	Common name (algemene naam)
Flowering	not to be sprayed
12-leaf to pre-bloom	2 ℓ/ha
1 to 12-leaf	0.5 - 2 ℓ/ha

- Not recommended for Malva parviflora (small mallow) control at flowering.
- For control of *Malva parviflora* (small mallow) and *Oenothera stricta* (evening primrose) (smaller than 12-leaf stage), apply **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** at 2 ℓ/ha in combination with the recommended SIMAZINE SC rate for the soil type.

Dosage
5 - 6 ℓ/ha
5 - 6 ℓ/ha
5 - 6 ℓ/ha
Common name (algemene naam)
sheep sorrel (steenboksuring)

# 2.6 DIFFICULT-TO-CONTROL WEEDS IN UNDER COLD STRESS CONDITIONS

For spraying in midwinter in the winter rainfall areas when conditions are less favourable for plant uptake of herbicides, the following application rates are recommended:

9	Growth stage	Dosage
	1 to 12-leaf	2 ℓ/ha
	12-leaf to pre-bloom	2.3 ℓ/ha

Flowering	2.5 ℓ/ha
Botanical name	Common name (algemene naam)
Arctotheca calendula	Cape marigold
Chenopodium album	(soetgousblom) white goosefoot (withondebossie)
Conyza floribunda	tall fleabane
Erodium moschatum	(vaalskraalhans) musk heron's bill (turnael)
Hypochoeris radicata	hairy wild lettuce
* Lolium spp.	(harige skaapslaai) ryegrass (raaigras)
Medicago poly-morpha	clover
	(klawer)
Raphanus raphanistrum	wild radish (ramenas)
Sonchus oleraceus	sow thistle
	(sydissel)

<sup>\*</sup> Refer to the RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT paragraph of this label.

#### 3. SPECIFIC CROP RECOMMENDATIONS

Crop	Remarks
General Aloes, hops, olives and prickley pears.	See weed tables for dosage rates of <b>TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH</b> .
Deciduous Fruits Apples, apricots, nectarines, peaches, pears, plums, prunes and quince.	Protect young trees with green bark from direct spray.
Subtropical fruits Avocados, bananas, citrus, coffee, granadilla, guava, kiwi fruit, litchies, mangoes, pawpaw, pineapples and tea.	5) <sup>(1</sup>
<b>Nut and berry crops</b> Almonds, blackberry, cherries, macadamia- and pecan nuts.	Colo
Vines and fruit trees	Apply before bud burst to vines older than two (2) years. Younger vines with green bark should be shielded. Spray should be directed onto weeds. Do not spray onto pruned vines or fruit trees until wounds have sealed properly.
enta®	Crop-cover destruction in grapevines For the control of <i>Avena</i> spp. (bearded oats, common oats), *Lolium spp. (Italian ryegrass, darnel) and *Secale cereale (rye grass), apply TOUCHDOWN Forte HITECH at 0.7 \( \ell / \text{ha}. \) Apply 10 days or more after pruning and before bud burst.
Sisal	Applications can be made to nursery and mature plants.
Arable land	Use <b>TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH</b> after harvesting of previous crop. Do not disturb target plants before six (6) hours after application (before planting of crops) and prior to emergence of new crop. Weeds should always be active growing at time of application.

#### FORESTRY USAGE

FORESTRY US	AGE	1,0	
Situation	Botanical name	Dosage rate	
Situation	(Common name/ algemene naam)	ℓ/ha	Solution
Forest maintenance (Established forests)	Acacia mearnsii (black wattle/swart wattel) Apply to young trees from 0.1 - 2 m high.	2 - 2.6 ℓ/ha	1 - 1.3%
5)	Solanum mauritianum (bugweed/ luisboom) Large trees: Cut to 50 cm, allow new growth of at least 50 cm before application. Saplings: Apply directly to foliage.	1.3 ℓ/ha	1%
gent <sup>a</sup>	Rubus spp. (American Bramble/ Amerikaanse Braam) Slash excessive Growth in winter. Apply when new growth is more than 0.5 m high. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1% solution.	4 ℓ/ha	2%
Fire-breaks Fire-breaks Fire-breaks preparation either tracer belts or total area.	The weed population would include perennials and annuals. Refer to list under INDUSTRIAL USAGE. A minimum of 200 ℓ spray mixture/ ha must be applied when using the 1.3% solution. A follow-up treatment may be necessary to control some hardy perennials using a 1.3% solution on a spot spray basis.	2.6 ℓ/ha	1.3%
Band preparation for tree seedlings Situations suitable for such treatments include: a) Virgin veld b) Clear/felled forests	The weed population would include perennials and annuals. Refer to list under INDUSTRIAL USAGE. A minimum of 200 \( \ell \) spray mixture/ha must be applied when using the 1.3% solution. A follow-up treatment may be necessary to control some hardy perennials using a 1.3% solution on a spot spray basis.	2.6 ℓ/ha	1.3%
General	Eucalyptus grandis (bluegum/ bloekomboom) Apply 50 mℓ solution to a clean cambium area	Single stem stumps	3.3%

#### FORESTRY USAGE cont.

General	immediately after felling.	Single stem stumps	3.3%
5Y	Apply 100 mℓ solution to a clean, fully-exposed cambium layer immediately after felling. If re-growth occurs, spray with 1.3% solution.	Multistem stumps	4.6%

#### 4. SPECIALISED PRACTICES

#### 4.1 SUGARCANE ERADICATION

Crop	Dosage	Remarks
SUGARCANE ERADICATION (minimum tillage)	5.3 - 6.6 <i>ℓ</i> /ha	TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH will effectively kill last ratoon sugarcane after it has been harvested and allowed to re-grow to a height of ± 45 cm, when tillering is complete. Spray actively growing sugarcane when tillers have emerged, using 100 - 600 $\ell$ /ha. Re-growth can be removed by hand. Contact your distributor for detailed information on all aspects of minimum tillage before spraying.
enta	6.6% solution	For spot eradication of diseased (e.g., smut) and off-type cane stools. Apply as a directed spray on the target plant foliage.
9	1.3% solution	For spot spraying around fields, telephone poles etc.

## 4.2 GROWTH SUPPRESSION (chemical mowing)

The growth and flowering tempo of tufted and running perennial grasses can be suppressed by applying sub-lethal rates of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH**, 5 - 10 days after mowing and before growth of seed heads has started. Depending on species and dosage rate, grass growth can be prevented or reduced for up to 70 days (see dosage rates below).

High dosage rates will have a longer growth suppression period and a corresponding increase in chlorosis (yellowing).

Over-application of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** can lead to severe injury or death of the plants. Do not apply to grasses under stress conditions, e.g., drought, waterlogging etc. Adverse climatic conditions may lead to variable results and periods of growth suppression are those expected under prevailing weather conditions. After mowing, excess plant material which may prevent the spray from coming into contact with the green grass foliage, should be removed prior to spraying.

Grasses are most sensitive to **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** in autumn and chlorosis can be expected to be greater in this period. Where minimum levels of chlorosis are required, dosage rates should not exceed 0.4  $\ell$  **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH**/ha in summer or in

autumn. Spray volumes should be from 50 - 150  $\ell$ /ha and ensure even droplet distribution on the green petal foliage. Spray runoff should be avoided.

Rates of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** and expected periods of growth suppression:

#### 4.2.1 TUFTED PERENNIAL GRASS

Botanical name	Rate	Period
(common/algemene naam)	product/ha	(days)
Digitaria smutsii (smuts finger grass/ smutsvingergras) Hyperrhenia hirta (common thatching grass/ gewone dektamboekiesgras)	0.3 \( \ell \) 0.4 \( \ell \) 0.5 \( \ell \) 0.7 \( \ell \)	30 50 60 70
Festuca spp. (fescues) Lolium spp. (ryegrass/raaigras)	0.4 - 0.5 $\ell$	30
Sporobolus africanus (rush grass/taaipol)	0.4 ℓ 0.5 ℓ 0.7 ℓ	20 40 50

#### 4.2.2 RUNNING AND PERENNIAL GRASSES

Botanical name (common/algemene naam)	Rate product/ha	Period (days)
Cynodon dactylon (common couch/gewone kweekgras)	0.3 \( \ell \) 0.4 \( \ell \) 0.5 \( \ell \) 0.7 \( \ell \)	10 20 30 40
Pennisetum clandestinum (kikuyu/kikoejoe)	0.13 ℓ 0.26 ℓ 0.40 ℓ	30 40 60

#### 4.2.3 FOLLOW-UP APPLICATIONS

The period of growth suppression can be extended by follow-up sprays, which must take place before excessive foliar growth and seed heads start forming. The follow-up rate of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** is dependent on desired length of growth suppression. Do not exceed a total of  $0.65~\ell/ha$ .

First spray product/ha	Follow-up spray product/ha
0.3 - 0.7 ℓ	0.3 - 0.4 ℓ

#### 4.2.4 BROADLEAF PLANTS AND GRASS SEEDLINGS

The growth of broadleaf plants will also be suppressed by these rates of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH**. Seedlings and young plants may be controlled by these treatments.

#### 4.3 UNWANTED WEEDS

TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH	Remarks	
2 - 4 ℓ/ha	Aerial application	
5)	<ul> <li>Apply on actively growing plants in 30 - 50 ℓ water/ha.</li> <li>Dosage rate will depend on plant size and density.</li> <li>Plants 500 - 900 mm; apply 2 ℓ/ha.</li> <li>Plants 1 - 1.9 m; apply 2.6 ℓ/ha.</li> <li>Plants &gt; 2 m; apply 3.3 ℓ/ha.</li> </ul>	

#### **UNWANTED WEEDS** cont.

2 - 4 //ha	<ul> <li>On very dense plant growth apply 4 l/ha.</li> <li>Do not apply more than 2 l/ha in ecologically sensitive areas.</li> </ul>		
	Ground application  • Apply as above in 100 - 600 ℓ water/ ha.		

#### 4.4 GENETICALLY MODIFIED CROPS

(Glyphosate tolerant cotton, soybeans and maize)

- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH can be applied on glyphosate tolerant cotton, soybean- and maize plants. Any individual plant that does not contain the glyphosate tolerant gene will die when sprayed with glyphosate based products e.g., TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH.
- Special care should be taken to apply it only over glyphosate tolerant crops or cultivars within the crop.
- Avoid drift, or the application of TOUCHDOWN FORTE
  HITECH on conventional crops (non-glyphosate tolerant
  crops) as this will result in severe crop injury, reduced
  yields and crop losses.
- **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** may not be applied by means of aerial application to glyphosate tolerant crops.
- As Syngenta does not control the quality of glyphosate tolerant seed production no responsibility can be taken if certain individuals from glyphosate tolerant seed population are controlled by **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** due to the fact that they do not contain the glyphosate tolerant gene.
- Take into account when planning to plant a glyphosate tolerant crop, the control of the volunteer plants in the following season as **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** does not control any volunteer glyphosate tolerant plants from the previous season.

Сгор	Weeds (Refer to the tables above for individual weeds)	Rate/ha
	Before weeds are 100 mm high	<b>1.5</b> ℓ
Glyphosate	When weeds are 100 - 200 mm hight	<b>1.8</b> $\ell$
tolerant cotton, soybeans and maize	The following weeds are controlled inconsistently and would require a follow on spray: Commelina bengalensis, Chenopodium spp., Cyperus esculentus, Ipomeae purpurea and Portulaca oleracea.	<b>2.2</b> ℓ

### **GENERAL**

- Care should be taken of the WARNINGS and USE DIRECTIONS on this label as it also applies to glyphosate tolerant crops.
- The weed spectrum in cotton, soybean and maize fields can differ due to the following variables e.g., region, moisture and light as well as soil type resulting in a weed population with different weeds and in several different growth stages. The table above indicates rates that should control most weed populations within the size parameters set in the tables on this label. For other weeds, refer to the other tables on this label. Other provisions on this label should be adhered to e.g., relating to growth stages.

- Applications should be made very early in the growth stage of the weeds but before the 6-leaf stage. In this case only one (1) application of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** would be necessary to control an existing population. This would also minimize weed competition in very critical stages of the cotton, soybeans and maize.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH has no residual weed control and repeated follow-on applications could be necessary to control weeds germinating after application.

#### **GLYPHOSATE TOLERANT SOYBEANS**

- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH can be applied to glyphosate tolerant soybeans post-emergent from soon after emergence up to the end of flowering.
- A minimum of 14-days should be allowed between application and harvesting.
- Up to three (3) applications of **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** could be made on glyphosate tolerant soybeans without any damage to the crop. Do not spray more than 7.2 ℓ/ha (3 600 g ae/ha) cumulatively in one (1) particular season.
- The use of residual herbicides would be recommended at all times as soybeans do not tolerate any weed competition. METAGAN GOLD or BATELEUR GOLD (L6136) should be used at planting and TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH should only be used later in the season to control new flushes of weeds. METAGAN GOLD can be applied in combination with TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH to provide residual grass control.

#### **GLYPHOSATE TOLERANT MAIZE**

- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH may be applied postemergence in glyphosate tolerant maize (e.g., Roundup Ready®, Agrisure® GT) for the control of the weeds listed.
- On glyphosate tolerant maize, TOUCHDOWN FORTE
  HITECH can only be applied from soon after emergence
  up to the V8-leaf stage of the maize. This stage is
  reached when the first plants in the field have 8 leaves
  with closed collars around the main stem. (The actual
  number of leaves may be more).
- Do not make broadcast applications if mechanical crop damage due to the passing of the sprayer will or has occurred or if hail damage has occurred.
- Where sequential applications are necessary to control specific weed species (e.g., *Cyperus esculentus*), the second application should not occur within 10 days of the first application in order to allow the weeds to become actively growing again.
- If the maize is beyond the V8-stage, a directed application must be done.
- Care must be taken not to spray the reproductive parts of the maize plant.
- On glyphosate tolerant maize up to two (2) applications of up to 2.2 ℓ/ha at a time can be made without any damage to the crop. Do not spray more than 4.4 ℓ/ha (2 160 g ae/ha) cumulatively in one (1) particular season.
- The use of residual herbicides would be recommended at all times as maize does not tolerate any weed competition. CALLISTO, DUAL GOLD or PRIMAGRAM GOLD (L7308) should be used at planting.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH must only be used later in the season after initial application of residual

- herbicides at planting to control new flushes of weeds or difficult to control weeds.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH can be applied in tankmixes with CALLISTO and METAGAN GOLD or GARDOPRIM PLUS GOLD to provide residual control.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH may not be applied with atrazine-containing products e.g., GESAPRIM 90WG, GESAPRIM SUPER, PRIMAGRAM GOLD, or with any adjuvants as on the CALLISTO label. The post-emergence recommendation of CALLISTO on the CALLISTO label should then be changed to replace GESAPRIM 90WG (L4764) or GESAPRIM SUPER (L3914) or PRIMAGRAM GOLD with TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH.
- No tank mixture with **TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH** should contain any adjuvant. See the comment "adjuvants" under COMPATIBILITY in this label.

#### **GLYPHOSATE TOLERANT COTTON**

- The above-recommended TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH rates may be applied in cotton varieties which are designated glyphosate tolerant cultivars.
- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH can be recommended in combination with a pre-emergence application of METAGAN GOLD at rates as recommended on the METAGAN GOLD label.

#### POST-EMERGENCE BROADCAST APPLICATION

#### **OVER-THE-TOP OF THE COTTON PLANTS**

- A broadcast application of TOUCHDOWN FORTE
  HITECH can ONLY be applied from the ground cracking
  stage up to the fourth true leaf stage of the cotton. This
  growth stage is reached when the first cotton plants in
  the field have reached the 4-leaf stage.
- A broadcast application after this time could result in boll loss, delayed maturity or even yield loss.
- Between the soil cracking stage and the 4-leaf stage of the cotton only two (2) or less applications of TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH may be done.
- If a second TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH application is needed.
  - the period between the first and the second application should be at least 10 days.
  - the cotton must have grown at least two (2) more leaves leaves since the first application.
- If by this time the cotton is beyond the 4-leaf/node stage a post-directed (see below) application will be necessary.

#### Post-emergence directed application

- TOUCHDOWN FORTE HITECH can be applied as a directed spray between the cotton. This application method is essential if applications are after the 4-leaf stage of the cotton.
- Equipment such as spray guards should be used to protect the cotton foliage from excessive spray drift. The weeds within the cotton row however should be wellcovered by the spray for effective control.
- For best results, make applications while weeds are small (less than 100 mm high). Sequential directed applications must also be at least 10 days apart and two (2) nodes of

incremental growth between applications.

 Only two (2) applications should be made between the fifth leaf to the fifteenth node stage.

Repeated applications of TOUCHDOWN FORTE
 HITECH can be avoided by applying effective pre emergence residual herbicides e.g., METAGAN GOLD.

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