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Mesurool® 200SC – bird repellent for kiwifruit

Mesurool is the most effective bird repellent available to kiwifruit growers. Last season, for the first time since it was launched in 2002, there were reports of some bee deaths associated with the use of Mesurool.

Mesurool is toxic to bees and must not come into contact with plants in flower if they are likely to be visited by bees. However, Mesurool can be used safely when applied according to the product label directions.

Mesurool works by taste/illness induced aversion, after eating treated attractive plant material birds learn to avoid treated areas and look for alternative sources of food.

Bayer is committed to bee health and take this opportunity to remind you of best practice when spraying:

- Read the label carefully before using, and follow label directions when applying Mesurool
- Do not apply Mesurool to any flowering plants
- Mow the sward prior to application to remove flowers that may attract bees from outside the orchard
- Do not spray shelter rows with Mesurool. Birds may roost in shelter but they do not feed there and as explained above birds must first taste test plant material to be repelled
- Only spray when bees are not actively foraging, before 8 am or in the late afternoon/early evening
- Create buffer zones around hives to protect against drift
- Communicate with your neighbours in case they have bees foraging on other crops
- Communicate with your beekeeper



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How to use Mesurol in kiwifruit to repel birds:

Apply Mesurol 200SC at 375ml/100L of water and spray to the point-of-run off (800-1000 L of water/ha). Application should be made in August/September at the first sign of bird damage. In most situations a single application will be sufficient, however heavy rain may require an additional application. If such an application is necessary, remember to observe best practice (overleaf).

Withholding Period:

Do not apply after the start of flowering.

Approved handler:

Mesurol 200SC must be under the control of an approved handler during use.

Mesurol 200SC is TOXIC – keep out of reach of children.

For more information about Mesurol or any other Bayer Crop Science product please contact your local Regional Manager or call 0800 428 246.

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Before using the products read and carefully observe directions, cautionary statements and other information appearing on the product label.

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