

Emergency authorisation:

'Tutavir' for tomato grown under permanent protection with full enclosure

This emergency authorisation relates to the use of 'Tutavir' as an insecticide for use on tomato grown under permanent protection with full enclosure to control South American Tomato Moth (*Tuta absoluta*) only.

Application is to be made by broadcast sprayer with air assistance / variable geometry boom sprayer or by handheld application with a hydraulic nozzle in 200 to 1800 L water / ha. A 4 day application interval must be observed

Marketing company: Andermatt Biocontrol UK Limited

Authorisation no: 0148 of 2024

Active: 2×10^{13} OB (occlusion bodies) / L (522.96 g / L)

Extent of authorisation: England & Scotland Only

Emergency Authorisation starts: 10 January 2024

Emergency Authorisation ends:

- For placing on the market:
 - 10 January 2024 to 19 January 2024
 - 19 February 2024 to 07 June 2024
- For use: 30 September 2024
- For storage and disposal of stocks: 28 October 2024

IMPORTANT: When applying this product under the terms of this emergency authorisation, comply with any resistance guidance or restrictions stated on the product label.

IMPORTANT: The assessment undertaken to support this emergency authorisation has identified that the active substance meets at least one of the criteria for active substances that are exempt from MRLs. Therefore, MRLs do not apply to products treated in accordance with this emergency authorisation.

Restrictions

Please see the Emergency Authorisation notice for obligatory conditions for operator and environmental protections.

Included are the following restriction:

Operator Protection:

- (1) Engineering control of operator exposure must be used where reasonably practicable in addition to the following personal protective equipment:

Operators must wear suitable protective clothing (coveralls), suitable protective gloves and suitable respiratory protective equipment* when handling the concentrate or applying the product. *Disposable filtering facepiece respirator to at least EN149 FFP3 or equivalent.

- (2) However, engineering controls may replace personal protective equipment if a COSHH assessment shows that they provide an equal or higher standard of protection.

Environmental protection:

- (1) Treatment must only be made under 'permanent protection' situations which provide full enclosure (including continuous top and side barriers down to below ground level) and which are present and maintained over a number of years.

- (2) Do not contaminate water with the product or its container. Do not clean application equipment near surface water. Avoid contamination via drains from farmyards and roads.

Specific restrictions are listed below for your attention:

- (1) This product must only be applied in accordance with the terms of this emergency authorisation, the product label and/or leaflet and any additional guidance on extensions of authorisation.

- (2) This product must only be applied for the control of South American Tomato Moth (*Tuta absoluta*) in accordance with the terms of this emergency authorisation, the product label and/or leaflet, the safety information provided by the product owner and any additional guidance on emergency authorisations.

- (3) This emergency authorisation is for use in England and Scotland only.

- (4) This product must only be placed on the market for the following agreed sale periods, not exceeding a total of 120 days:

- i. 10 January 2024 to 19 January 2024
- ii. 19 February 2024 to 07 June 2024

- (5) The use of 'Tutavir' must cease by 30 September 2024 and any additional unused stocks are to be recalled and collected by the product owner.

- (6) Contains *Phthorimaea operculella granulovirus* (PhopGV). Micro-organisms may have the potential to provoke sensitising reactions.

Stewardship

See Appendix 3 of the Emergency Authorisation for the full stewardship document which must be followed as a condition of the authorisation.

The intended route of product supply of Tutavir is direct from the product owner (or via relevant distributors) to tomato growers. Andermatt Biocontrol UK Limited will co-ordinate the appropriate recall and collection of all unused product after the authorised use period.

Tomato growers and agronomists are responsible for monitoring pest pressure, recording product use, and submission of data for collation. Data must be collected and collated on the location of use and total amount of product used. For each location, information on application dates, application rates of product and water volumes should be recorded, as well as the hectare and variety treated. Records on pest pressure should also be maintained during the application period.

HSE may require monitoring and stewardship information to be provided to them.

Further Grower Information

Restrictions stipulated on the Article 53 Notice of Authorisation are statutory and therefore must be complied with to permit use of this product on the specified crop. Please read the notice of authorisation in full before applying the product for control of the specified target organism.

Should you require any further advice on restrictions stipulated on the Notice of Authorisation, please contact Joanna McTigue (joanna.mctigue@hcpltd.org)

Disclaimer

Emergency Authorisations are granted only in relation to a particular product for specified uses. It is an offence to use an approved product in a manner that does not comply with the specific conditions of approval that is laid down in the statutory Appendix 1 “Conditions of Extension of Authorisation” of the Emergency Authorisation. To demonstrate compliance with such terms, a user must have read and understood the document before commencing application. Possession of a current Emergency Authorisation document is generally taken as part of the “burden of proof” of this requirement. Only the original authorisation document, held by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE), constitutes a valid legal document. No reliance should be placed on an Emergency Authorisation by a user in relation to products which, although similar to an approved product, are not expressly covered by the Emergency Authorisation.

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