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**In Case of Emergency, Call**  
**1-800-888-8372**

**1. PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION**

Product Name: **KARATE INSECTICIDE (WARNING)** Product No.: A12975F  
 EPA Signal Word: Warning  
 Active Ingredient(%): Lambda-Cyhalothrin (13.1%) CAS No.: 91465-08-6  
 Chemical Name: [1a(S\*),3a(Z)]-cyano(3-phenoxyphenyl)methyl-3-(2-chloro-3,3,3-trifluoro-1-propenyl)-2,2-dimethylcyclopropanecarboxylate  
 Chemical Class: A pyrethroid insecticide  
 EPA Registration Number(s): 100-1086 **Section(s) Revised: New**

**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

## Health and Environmental

Combustible liquid.

Toxic if inhaled or swallowed. May be harmful in contact with skin. Irritating to eyes and skin. Vapors may cause drowsiness and dizziness. May be harmful if swallowed and enters airway.

May cause temporary itching, tingling, burning or numbness of exposed skin, called paresthesia.

## Hazardous Decomposition Products

None known.

## Physical Properties

Appearance: Yellow liquid

Odor: Aromatic

## Unusual Fire, Explosion and Reactivity Hazards

Combustible liquid. Can release vapors that form explosive mixtures at temperatures at or above the flash point. Heavy vapors can flow along surfaces to distant ignition sources and flash back.

During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Material	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV	Other	NTP/IARC/OSHA Carcinogen
Mineral Oil	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (mist)	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (mist); 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (STEL)	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (mist); 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (STEL) **	No
Petroleum Solvent	Not Established	Not Established	100 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (15 ppm) *	No
Lambda-Cyhalothrin (13.1%)	Not Established	Not Established	0.04 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (skin) ***	No

\* recommended by manufacturer

\*\* recommended by NIOSH

\*\*\* Syngenta Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL)

Ingredients not precisely identified are proprietary or non-hazardous. Values are not product specifications.  
Syngenta Hazard Category: C, S

#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Have the product container, label or Material Safety Data Sheet with you when calling Syngenta (800-888-8372), a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment.

- Ingestion: If swallowed: Call Syngenta (800-888-8372), a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice. Do not give any liquid to the person. Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so after calling 800-888-8372 or by a poison control center or doctor. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
- Eye Contact: If in eyes: Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call Syngenta (800-888-8372), a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.
- Skin Contact: If on skin or clothing: Take off contaminated clothing. Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes. Call Syngenta (800-888-8372), a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.
- Inhalation: If inhaled: Move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth if possible. Call Syngenta (800-888-8372), a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.

##### Notes to Physician

There is no specific antidote if this product is ingested.

Skin contact paresthesia effects (itching, tingling, burning or numbness) are transient, lasting up to 24 hours. Treat symptomatically.

Contains petroleum distillate - vomiting may cause aspiration pneumonia.

##### Medical Condition Likely to be Aggravated by Exposure

None known.

#### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

##### Fire and Explosion

- Flash Point (Test Method): 167°F (Pensky-Martens CC)
- Flammable Limits (% in Air): Lower: Not Applicable Upper: Not Applicable
- Autoignition Temperature: 671°F
- Flammability: Combustible liquid

##### Unusual Fire, Explosion and Reactivity Hazards

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During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

##### In Case of Fire

Use appropriate extinguishing media for combustibles in the area. Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus. Evacuate nonessential personnel from the area to prevent human exposure to fire, smoke, fumes or products of combustion. Prevent use of contaminated buildings, area, and equipment until decontaminated. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. If water is used to fight fire, dike and collect runoff.

#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

##### In Case of Spill or Leak

Control the spill at its source. Contain the spill to prevent from spreading or contaminating soil or from entering sewage and drainage systems or any body of water. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions outlined in Section 8. Cover entire spill with absorbing material and place into compatible disposal container. Scrub area with hard water detergent (e.g. commercial products such as Tide, Joy, Spic and Span). Pick up wash liquid with additional absorbent and place into compatible disposal container. Once all material is cleaned up and placed in a disposal container, seal container and arrange for disposition.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Store the material in a well-ventilated, secure area out of reach of children and domestic animals. Do not store food, beverages or tobacco products in the storage area. Prevent eating, drinking, tobacco use, and cosmetic application in areas where there is a potential for exposure to the material. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION ARE INTENDED FOR THE MANUFACTURE, FORMULATION, PACKAGING AND USE OF THIS PRODUCT.**

**FOR COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS AND/OR ON-FARM APPLICATIONS CONSULT THE PRODUCT LABEL.**

- Ingestion: Prevent eating, drinking, tobacco usage and cosmetic application in areas where there is a potential for exposure to the material. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling.
- Eye Contact: Where eye contact is likely, use chemical splash goggles.
- Skin Contact: Where contact is likely, wear chemical-resistant (such as nitrile or butyl) gloves, coveralls, socks and chemical-resistant footwear.  
Stringent housekeeping measures are necessary to prevent translocation of the material from contaminated work surfaces to uncontaminated surfaces (railings, doors, etc.). Unprotected contact with such translocated material can result in paresthesia effects (see Section 11 of MSDS).
- Inhalation: A combination particulate/ organic vapor respirator may be necessary until effective engineering controls are installed to comply with occupational exposure limits. Use a NIOSH approved respirator with an organic vapor (OV) cartridge or canister with an HE prefilter.

Use a self-contained breathing apparatus in cases of emergency spills, when exposure levels are unknown, or under any circumstances where air-purifying respirators may not provide adequate protection.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

- Appearance: Yellow liquid
- Odor: Aromatic
- Melting Point: Not Applicable
- Boiling Point: Not Available
- Specific Gravity/Density: 0.91 g/cm<sup>3</sup> @ 68°F (20°C)
- pH: 5.29 (1% solution in deionized H<sub>2</sub>O @ 77°F [25°C])
- Solubility in H<sub>2</sub>O
- Lambda-Cyhalothrin : 0.004mg/l
- Vapor Pressure
- Lambda-Cyhalothrin : 1.5 x 10(-9) mmHg @ 68°F (20°C)

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

- Stability: Stable under normal use and storage conditions.
- Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.
- Conditions to Avoid: None known.
- Materials to Avoid: None known.
- Hazardous Decomposition Products: None known.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity/Irritation Studies (Finished Product)

- Ingestion:
- Oral (LD50 Female Rat) : 92.91 mg/kg body weight
- Dermal:
- Dermal (LD50 Rat) : > 2000 mg/kg body weight

Inhalation: Inhalation (LC50 Rat) : > 0.55 mg/l air - 4 hours  
Eye Contact: Mildly Irritating (Rabbit)  
Skin Contact: Moderately Irritating (Rabbit)  
Skin Sensitization: Not a Sensitizer (Guinea Pig)

#### Reproductive/Developmental Effects

Lambda-Cyhalothrin : Not a developmental or reproductive toxicant.

#### Chronic/Subchronic Toxicity Studies

Lambda-Cyhalothrin : Reversible paresthesia (abnormal skin sensation).  
Reversible clinical signs of neurotoxicity in mammals.

#### Carcinogenicity

Lambda-Cyhalothrin : No treatment-related tumors in rats or mice.

#### Other Toxicity Information

In humans, contact with exposed skin may result in temporary itching, tingling, burning or numbness, called paresthesia. The effect may result from splash, aerosol, or hot vapor contact, or transfer to the face from contaminated gloves and hands. The symptoms normally disappear within 24 hours. Face and genital areas are especially susceptible to this effect. Paresthesia involving the face is also known as "subjective facial sensation" or SFS.

#### Toxicity of Other Components

##### Mineral Oil

May cause respiratory irritation when inhaled as a mist.

##### Petroleum Solvent

Slight eye irritant. Frequent or prolonged contact may cause skin irritation or dermatitis. High vapor/aerosol concentrations may cause headaches, dizziness, anesthesia, drowsiness, unconsciousness and other CNS effects.

#### Target Organs

##### Active Ingredients

Lambda-Cyhalothrin : Liver, nervous system

##### Inert Ingredients

Mineral Oil: Respiratory tract

Petroleum Solvent: Eye, respiratory tract, CNS

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Summary of Effects

##### Lambda-Cyhalothrin :

Very toxic to aquatic life.

#### Ecotoxicity Effects

##### Lambda-Cyhalothrin :

Fish (Rainbow Trout) 96-hour LC50 0.19 ppb

Bird (Mallard Duck) LD50 Oral > 3950 mg/kg

Invertebrate (Water Flea) 48-hour EC50 0.04 ppb

#### Environmental Fate

##### Lambda-Cyhalothrin :

The information presented here is for the active ingredient, lambda-cyhalothrin.  
Not persistent in soil or water. Immobile in soil. Sinks in water (after 24 h).

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### Disposal

Do not reuse product containers. Dispose of product containers, waste containers, and residues according to local, state, and federal health and environmental regulations.

Characteristic Waste: Not Applicable

Listed Waste: Not Applicable

### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### DOT Classification

Ground Transport - NAFTA

Proper Shipping Name: Pyrethroid Pesticides, Liquid, Toxic (Lambda-Cyhalothrin)

Hazard Class or Division: Division 6.1

Identification Number: UN 3352

Packing Group: PG III

#### B/L Freight Classification

Insecticides, NOI, Poison

#### Comments

Water Transport - International

Proper Shipping Name: Pyrethroid Pesticides, Liquid, Toxic (Lambda-Cyhalothrin), Marine Pollutant

Hazard Class or Division: Division 6.1

Identification Number: UN 3352

Packing Group: PG III

Imdg EMS #: F-A, S-A

Air Transport - International

Proper Shipping Name: Pyrethroid Pesticides, Liquid, Toxic (Lambda-Cyhalothrin)

Hazard Class or Division: Division 6.1

Identification Number: UN 3352

Packing Group: PG III

Packing Instructions:

Passenger: PI 611 - Max. inner package 2.5 liter, Single packages 60 liter Max

Cargo: PI 618 - 5 liter. Inner packages, 220 liter single packages

### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### EPCRA SARA Title III Classification

Section 311/312 Hazard Classes: Acute Health Hazard  
Chronic Health Hazard  
Fire Hazard

Section 313 Toxic Chemicals: Not Applicable

#### California Proposition 65

Not Applicable

#### CERCLA/SARA 302 Reportable Quantity (RQ)

None

#### RCRA Hazardous Waste Classification (40 CFR 261)

Not Applicable

#### TSCA Status

Exempt from TSCA, subject to FIFRA

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

NFPA Hazard Ratings

Health: 2  
Flammability: 2  
Instability: 0

HMIS Hazard Ratings

Health: 2  
Flammability: 2  
Reactivity: 0

0	Minimal
1	Slight
2	Moderate
3	Serious
4	Extreme

For non-emergency questions about this product call:

1-800-334-9481

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