

# POISON

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

READ SAFETY DIRECTIONS BEFORE OPENING OR USING

# METAREX<sup>®</sup>

## SNAIL AND SLUG BAIT

**ACTIVE CONSTITUENT: 50 g/kg METALDEHYDE**

For control of snails and slugs in agricultural and horticultural crops, vineyards, direct drilled pastures and other agricultural, industrial & commercial situations where snails and slugs congregate.



contains deterrent to help with pet safety



**DE SANGOSSE**  
THE POWER BEHIND THE PELLET

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**DIRECTIONS FOR USE**

**Restraints**

**DO NOT** apply to windrowed crops.

**DO NOT** apply to edible plant parts or to crops where baits may be collected with harvested commodities.

**DO NOT** heap baits. Clean up spilled baits immediately, including after filling applicator.

<b>Crop/Situation</b>	<b>Pest</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>Critical Comments</b>
<b>Agricultural crops</b> Cereals, oilseeds (including poppies), pulses <b>Horticultural crops</b> Fruit (including grapevines), vegetables	Snails and slugs (except small brown snails)	5 - 8 kg/ha	Broadcast evenly over the surface of the ground where snails and slugs are active, or incorporate with seed when direct drilling. Use low rate only when snail density is low. Use higher rate for moderate to high density infestations.
	Small brown snails ( <i>Microxeromagna vestita</i> )	10 kg/ha	For best results on small brown snails, use 10 kg/hg rate in an Integrated Program with careful monitoring of the area.
Direct drilled pasture	Slugs	5 – 8 kg/ha	Incorporate with seed when direct drilling. Use low rate only when slug density is low. Use higher rate for moderate to high density infestations.
Container plants	Snails and slugs	35-40 baits /m <sup>2</sup>	For best results place baits close to base of container. Scatter evenly.
Other agricultural, industrial & commercial situations where snails and slugs congregate	Snails and slugs (except small brown snails)	5 – 8 kg/ha	Broadcast evenly over the surface of the ground where snails and slugs are active. Use low rate only when snail density is low. Use higher rate for moderate to high density infestations.
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**WITHHOLDING PERIODS**

**HARVEST**

**HORTICULTURAL CROPS, VINEYARDS: DO NOT APPLY LATER THAN 7 DAYS (1 WEEK) BEFORE HARVEST.**

**AGRICULTURAL CROPS: DO NOT APPLY LATER THAN 8 WEEKS BEFORE HARVEST.**

**GRAZING**

**DO NOT ALLOW STOCK OR POULTRY TO GRAZE TREATED CROPS, VINEYARDS OR OTHER AREAS.**

**DO NOT ALLOW STOCK TO GRAZE TREATED PASTURE FOR 8 WEEKS.**

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

METAREX kills snails and slugs by irreversibly destroying the mucus producing cells that are essential for movement. Where the attack is heavy it may be necessary to repeat the application. Best results are achieved by application during mild damp weather when slugs and snails are most active but when rain is not imminent. Snails need to be active to come into contact with the bait.

Scatter baits evenly using an appropriate applicator by ground or air, or direct drill with seed for slug control. **DO NOT** place in heaps. Clean up any spilled baits, including after filling applicator.

**TIMING:** Apply baits when crops are most vulnerable and when the pest is evident and active. For broadacre crops, start when rain / moisture triggers snail activity in autumn and before significant egg laying.

For other crops, time the application to protect the sensitive growth stage. For seedlings best results may be achieved by applying 5-10 days prior to planting. See your distributor for further advice.

## **PRECAUTIONS**

Do not use human flaggers/markers unless they are protected by engineering controls such as enclosed cabs.

## **PROTECTION OF WILDLIFE, FISH, CRUSTACEANS AND ENVIRONMENT**

DO NOT contaminate streams, rivers or waterways with the chemical or used containers.

## **PROTECTION OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS AND LIVESTOCK**

Keep away from animals, poultry, ducks and domestic pets as accidental poisoning may be fatal. If pets or livestock are poisoned contact a veterinary surgeon.

## **STORAGE AND DISPOSAL**

Store in the closed original container in a dry, cool, well ventilated area, out of direct sunlight. Store in a locked room or place out of the reach of children, animals, food, feedstuff, seed and fertilisers. Shake container empty into application equipment. DO NOT dispose of unused product on site. If not recycling, break, crush or puncture containers and deliver empty packaging to an approved waste management facility. DO NOT burn empty containers or product.

## **SAFETY DIRECTIONS**

Harmful if swallowed. Harmful if inhaled. Do not inhale dust. Wash hands after use.

When opening the container, preparing the product for use (loading) and if applying by hand, wear cotton overalls buttoned to neck and wrist (or equivalent clothing) and elbow-length rubber gloves and disposable dust mask. After each day's use, wash gloves and contaminated clothing.

## **FIRST AID**

If poisoning occurs contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre. Telephone 13 11 26.

## **MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET**

Additional information is listed in the Material Safety Data Sheet.

BAR CODE:

Batch Number:

DOM:

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