

ATTENTION: Turf Applicators should be Cautious when Applying 'Imprelis'.

Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Pesticide Program's Registration Division

Applicators should be cautious when using 'Imprelis' herbicide near certain evergreen trees. EPA's Registration Division has indicated the herbicide, 'Imprelis', is implicated in 355 complaints reporting damage to approximately 5 – 6,000 sites in 22 states. DuPont has assembled a team of experts to investigate and review the collected data for any trends. DuPont plans on submitting adverse effects data to the Agency by the end of the month and will work with EPA on revising the label, as needed.

DuPont also stated that they plan on calling each of the 22 states affected so far. The objective for the calls is to update each state on DuPont's plan of action and to answer any questions.

Applicators should take special care around ornamentals. Imprelis contains the active ingredient - 'pyrimidine carboxylic acid' - which provides selective broadleaf weed control in cool season and certain warm season turf-grasses on lawns (residential, industrial and institutional), golf courses, parks, cemeteries, athletic fields, and sod farms. This product can affect a wide range of broadleaf weeds and ornamental plants, including ornamental ground covers, foliage plants, flowers, shrubs and trees. Applicators should be wary of drift and root zones of susceptible plants when spraying this chemical. Susceptible plants should not be transplanted into areas sprayed with Imprelis for at least one season.

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