FIFRA 2(ee) Recommendation for the Control of Fresh Water Leeches in Recreational Lakes

Copper Sulfate Crystals
EPA Reg. No. 56576-1

Directions for Use
• It is a violation of federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.
• This labeling must be in the possession of the user at the time of pesticide application.
• Follow all applicable directions, restrictions, and precautions on the product label.
• The use of Copper Sulfate Crystals to control fresh water leeches in recreational lakes must be performed under the direction or supervision of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation.
• This product is a restricted use pesticide in New York State. Pesticide applicator certification or a special use permit is required for sale, possession, or use. Each individual treatment must be approved by the Department of Environmental Conservation. Therefore, you must contact the Pesticide Control Specialist at the appropriate regional office of the Department in advance of the proposed treatment.
• For use in recreational lakes ONLY in areas where leeches have been identified. 5.32 – 13.3 lbs/acre-ft Copper Sulfate Crystals (i.e., 2-5 ppm copper sulfate) is usually sufficient for treatment of leeches. Use surface area in acres multiplied by average depth in feet to determine water volume and application rate. Apply only along shoreline swimming area and/or to leech infested areas on a calm sunny day when water temp is at least 60° F. Not allowing swimming for at least 12 hrs following treatment is recommended. A second application may be made if necessary, 10 to 14 days later. DO NOT make more than two applications a season. Apply medium grade crystals by hand broadcast method of application only. Do not exceed 1 ppm copper (4 ppm Copper Sulfate) in potable water systems.