

Chemical Factsheet

Esfenvalerate

General Information

- Fact Sheet: [Synthetic Pyrethroids.pdf](#)
- Product Names:
 - Asana** (Du Pont)
 - Tribute II** (Bayer)
 - Silent** (Reckitt Benckiser)
- Chemical Class: Pyrethroid insecticide
- Uses: Residential and commercial lawns; agriculture including apricots, artichokes, hazelnuts, and potatoes
- Alternatives: [Agriculture](#), [Christmas trees](#), [home and garden](#), [mosquito repellent](#)
- Beyond Pesticides rating: [Toxic](#)

Health and Environmental Effects

See citations at end of document.

- Cancer: Not documented
- Endocrine Disruption: Suspected (1)
- Reproductive Effects: Not documented
- Neurotoxicity: Yes (2)
- Kidney/Liver Damage: Yes (2)
- Sensitizer/ Irritant: Yes (3)
- Birth/Developmental: Not documented
- Detected in Groundwater: Not documented
- Potential Leacher: Not documented
- Toxic to Birds: Not documented
- Toxic to Fish/Aquatic Organisms: Yes (3)
- Toxic to Bees: Yes (3)

Residential Uses as Found in the ManageSafe™ Database

- [Bagworms](#)
- [Cockroaches](#)
- [Bed Bugs](#)
- [Chiggers](#)
- [Fleas](#)
- [Termites](#)
- [Wasps and Yellowjackets](#)

Additional Information

- Supporting information:
 - [Daily News Blog entries](#) (Beyond Pesticides)
 - [Asthma, Children and Pesticides](#) (Beyond Pesticides)

- [Extoxnet Esfenvalerate Factsheet](#) (Extension Toxicology Network)
- [PAN Pesticide Database Information: Esfenvalerate](#) (Pesticide Action Network)
- [Scorecard Esfenvalerate Factsheet](#) (The Pollution Information Site)
- Studies [compiled from the [Pesticide-Induced Diseases Database](#)]
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Gateway Health and Environmental Effects Citations

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https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/documents/hazard_categories.pdf
3. Extension Toxicology Network (EXTOXNET) Pesticide Information Profiles.
<http://extoxnet.orst.edu/pips/ghindex.html>

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