

Chemical Factsheet

Chlorothalonil

General Information

- Fact Sheet: [Chlorothalonil.pdf](#)
- Product Names:
 - Bonide Fung Onil Multi Purpose Fungicide Ready to Use** (Bonide Products)
 - Ortho Multi Purpose Fungicide Daconil 2787 Plant Disease Control** (Solaris Group), formulated with Propylene glycol
 - Duron Weathershield Exterior Acrylic Semi Gloss, Accent Base** (Duron), formulated with Ethylene glycol, Diethylene glycol monobutyl ether, Kaolin clay, Titanium dioxide, Acrylic resin(s), Crystalline silica
 - Ortho Garden Disease Control Concetrate** (Ortho Group)
 - Instrata** (Syngenta), formulated with Propiconazole, Fludioxonil
- Chemical Class: Organochlorine fungicide
- Uses: Agricultural crops, Christmas trees, turf and golf course, residential lawns, adhesive and grout additive, paint preservative, wood treatment
- Alternatives: [Agriculture](#), [Ornamental/Lawn](#)
- Beyond Pesticides rating: [Toxic](#)

Health and Environmental Effects

See citations at end of document.

- Cancer: Likely (1)
- Endocrine Disruption: Not documented
- Reproductive Effects: Yes (2)
- Neurotoxicity: Yes (3)
- Kidney/Liver Damage: Yes (4)
- Sensitizer/ Irritant: Yes (5)
- Birth/Developmental: Not documented
- Detected in Groundwater: Yes (2)
- Potential Leacher: Yes (5)
- Toxic to Birds: Not documented
- Toxic to Fish/Aquatic Organisms: Yes (5)
- Toxic to Bees: Not documented

Additional Information

- Regulatory Status:
 - [EPA Reregistration Eligibility Decision \(RED\) signed](#) (9/1998)
 - New York tolerance [petition](#)
- Supporting information:
 - [Daily News Blog entries](#) (Beyond Pesticides)
 - [Asthma, Children and Pesticides](#) (Beyond Pesticides)
 - [NCAP Chlorothalonil Factsheet](#) (Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides)
 - [Exttoxnet Chlorothalonil Factsheet](#) (Extension Toxicology Network)

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