

# Chemical Factsheet

## Methomyl

### General Information

- Product Names:
  - Lannate (Du Pont)
  - Golden Marlin RF-128 Fly Killer (Wellmark) formulated with cis-9-Tricosene
  - Lurectron Scatterbait (Denka) formulated with cis-9-Tricosene
  - Stimukil Fly Bait (Troy) formulated with cis-9-Tricosene
- Chemical Class: Carbamate
- Uses: Restricted use pesticide. Controls insect pests on field, vegetable, and orchard crops; turf (sod farms only); livestock quarters; commercial premises; and refuse containers.
- Alternatives: [Organic agriculture](#)
- Beyond Pesticides rating: [Toxic](#)

### Health and Environmental Effects

*See citations at end of document.*

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

### Additional Information

- Regulatory Status:
  - [EPA Plans New Use Limitations on Carbaryl, Carbofuran, and Methomyl to Protect Salmon and Steelhead in California, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington](#) (5/2010)
  - [EPA Reregistration Eligibility Decision](#) (RED) signed (12/1998)
- Supporting information:
  - [Exttoxnet Methomyl Factsheet](#) (Extension Toxicology Network)
  - [PAN Pesticides Database - Methomyl](#) (Pesticide Action Network)
- Studies [compiled from the [Pesticide-Induced Diseases Database](#)]
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