

# Chemical Factsheet

## Wintergreen Oil

### (Methyl Salicylate)

- Only Meant for Use in Small Amounts
- Avoid Contact with Skin, Eyes, Mouth.

### General Information

- Product Names:
  - **Essentria IC3** Central Garden & Pet Company
- Chemical Class: Essential Oil
- Uses: Ornamental plants, indoor and outdoor residential sites (including clothing), garbage dumps. Repels dogs, cats, moths, beetles.
- Beyond Pesticides rating: [Least-toxic](#)

### Health and Environmental Effects

*See citations at end of document.*

- Cancer: No
- Endocrine Disruption: Suggestive if Ingested (1)
- Reproductive Effects: Possible if Ingested (1)
- Neurotoxicity: Possible if Ingested (1)
- Kidney/Liver Damage: Yes if Ingested (1)
- Sensitizer/ Irritant: Yes (2)
- Birth/Developmental: Possible if Ingested (1)
- Detected in Groundwater: No
- Potential Leacher: Insufficiently Studied
- Toxic to Birds: Insufficiently Studied
- Toxic to Fish/Aquatic Organisms: Not Likely (3)
- Toxic to Bees: No

### Additional Information

- Regulatory Status:
  - [EPA Reregistration Eligibility Decision for Methyl salicylate](#) (2005)

### Gateway Health and Environmental Effects Citations

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