

# Chemical Factsheet

## MCPA

### General Information

- Product Names:
  - Riverdale Tri-Power** (Nufarm Americas), formulated with [Dicamba](#), [Mecoprop](#)
  - Lawn Pro Weed N' Feed** (Scotts Company), formulated with [Mecoprop](#)
  - Proturf Fertilizer Plus Dicot Weed Control IV** (Andersons Lawn Fertilizer), formulated with [Mecoprop](#)
  - Trimec 1158 Broadleaf Herbicide** (PBI/Gordon), formulated with [Dicamba](#), [Mecoprop](#)
  - EH1153 Weed and Feed** (PBI/Gordon), formulated with [Dicamba](#), [Mecoprop](#)
- Chemical Class: Phenoxy herbicide
- Uses: Alfalfa, barley, clover, flax, lespedeza, oats, grass, peas, rice, rye, sorghum, trefoil, triticale, and wheat, as well as grass grown for seed, to control a wide spectrum of broadleaf weeds. registered for use on residential lawns, sod farm turf, golf courses, rights-of-way, pasture, and rangeland.
- Alternatives: [Agriculture/pasture](#), [lawns](#), [rights-of-way](#)
- Beyond Pesticides rating: [Toxic](#)

### Health and Environmental Effects

*See citations at end of document.*

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

### Residential Uses as Found in the ManageSafe™ Database

- [Dandelions](#)
- [Plantains](#)

### Additional Information

- Regulatory Status:
  - [EPA Reregistration Eligibility Decision \(RED\) signed](#) (9/2004)
  - [BP Comments February 2026](#)
- Supporting information:

- [Extoxnet MCPA Factsheet](#) (Extension Toxicology Network, 1996)
- [World Health Organization \(WHO\) Chemical fact sheets: MCPA](#) (2022)
- [PAN Pesticides Database: MCPA](#) (Pesticide Action Network)
- Studies [compiled from the [Pesticide-Induced Diseases Database](#)]
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<http://extoxnet.orst.edu/pips/ghindex.html>

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