



# PondMaster®

## SeClear ALGAECIDE & WATER QUALITY ENHANCER®

**READY-TO-USE**

**FOR USE IN STILL OR FLOWING AQUATIC SITES INCLUDING: PONDS, LAKES, AND RESERVOIRS, INCLUDING POTABLE WATER SOURCES.**

**ACTIVE INGREDIENT:**

Copper Sulfate Pentahydrate† (CAS# 7758-99-8) . . . . . 16.2%

**OTHER INGREDIENTS:** . . . . . 83.8%

**TOTAL 100.0%**

†Metallic Copper equivalent = 4.1%

### KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN CAUTION

FIRST AID	
<b>If swallowed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor immediately for treatment advice.</li> <li>• Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow.</li> <li>• Do not induce vomiting unless told to do so by a poison control center or doctor.</li> <li>• Do not give anything to an unconscious person.</li> </ul>
<b>If in eyes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15 to 20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes; then continue rinsing eye.</li> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>
<b>If on skin or clothing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take off contaminated clothing.</li> <li>• Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15 to 20 minutes.</li> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.</li> </ul>
<b>If inhaled</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Move person to fresh air.</li> <li>• If person is not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance; then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth, if possible.</li> <li>• Call a poison control center or doctor for further treatment advice.</li> </ul>
HOTLINE NUMBER	
Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. In case of emergency endangering health or the environment involving this product, call <b>INFOTRAC at 1-800-535-5053</b> .	

**Notice:** Read the entire label before using. Use only according to label directions. Before buying or using this product, read Warranty Disclaimer and Misuse statements inside label booklet. If terms are unacceptable, return at once unopened.

### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

**HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS**

**Caution.** Harmful if swallowed. Causes moderate eye irritation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling and before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco or using the toilet. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

**ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS**

**Fish Advisory Statement:** This copper product is toxic to fish and aquatic organisms. Unlike most organic pesticides, copper is an element and will not break down in the environment and will therefore accumulate with repeated applications. Copper is a micronutrient, but its pesticidal application rate exceeds the amount of copper needed as a nutrient.

Waters treated with this product may be hazardous to aquatic organisms. Treatment of aquatic weeds and algae can result in oxygen loss from decomposition of biomass. This oxygen loss can cause fish and invertebrate suffocation. To minimize this hazard, do not treat more than 1/2 of the water body and wait at least 14 days between treatments at avoid depletion of oxygen due to decaying vegetation (excluding water infrastructure and constructed conveyances such as drainage canals, ditches and pipelines or intakes and aqueducts for drinking water or irrigation use). Begin treatment along the shore and proceed outwards in bands to allow fish to move into untreated areas. Consult with the State or local agency with primary responsibility for regulating pesticides before applying to public waters, to determine if a permit is required.

Application of algaecides to high density blooms of cyanobacteria can result in the release of intracellular contents into the water. Some of these intracellular compounds are known mammalian hepato- and nervous system toxins. Therefore, to minimize the risk of toxin leakage, manage cyanobacteria effectively in order to avoid applying this product when blooms of toxin-producing cyanobacteria are present at high density. In situations where rapidly reproducing toxic algal species pose a public health threat to drinking or recreational water resources, applicators must receive authorization from applicable state, local or tribal water resources authorities to apply copper at intervals shorter than 14 days should the circumstance demand.

Certain water conditions including low pH ( $\leq 6.5$ ), low dissolved organic carbon (DOC) levels (3.0 mg/L or lower), and “soft” waters (i.e., alkalinity less than 50 mg/L), increases the potential acute toxicity to non-target aquatic organisms. The application rates on this label are appropriate for water with pH values  $> 6.5$ , DOC levels  $> 3.0$  mg/L, and alkalinity greater than 50 mg/L. Avoid treating waters with pH values  $< 6.5$ , DOC levels  $< 3.0$ , and alkalinity less than 50 ppm (e.g., soft or acid waters), as koi, trout and other sensitive species of fish may be killed under such conditions.

Consult your state department of natural resources or fish and game agency before applying this product to public waters. Permits may be required before treating such waters.

### DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal Law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. Read all Directions for Use carefully before applying.

### PRODUCT INFORMATION

Treatment with this product will not by itself make water potable. For applications in waters destined for use as drinking water, those waters must receive additional and separate potable water treatment. Do not apply more than 1.0 ppm of metallic copper in these waters during any single treatment (equivalent to the amount of metallic copper added by adding 6.5 Gallons of this product to 10,890 sq. ft. with an average depth of 4 ft.).

**Controlling Algae**

This product rapidly disrupts numerous algae cell processes and shuts down growth. It is effective in controlling a broad range of algae including: green, yellow/green and blue-green (cyanobacteria) algae comprising diverse growth forms such as filamentous, colonial, planktonic and macrophytic. Treated algae typically begin to show discoloration within a day and degrade over time.

**Improving Water Quality**

- This product can improve water quality by:
1. Offsetting eutrophication through proactive maintenance programs.
  2. Decreasing phosphorus concentrations from the water column through binding and precipitation of excess phosphorus.
  3. Binding and precipitating suspended solids, thereby reducing turbidity and unwanted coloration.

### APPLICATION DIRECTIONS

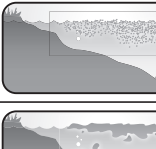

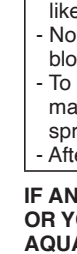
**Important Application Information and Precautions**

- **DO NOT** apply this product in any manner not specifically described in this label. Observe all cautions and limitations on this label and on the labels of products used in combination with this product. Keep containers closed to avoid spills and contamination.
- **DO NOT** allow people or pets to enter the treatment area while this product is being applied.
- **DO NOT** exceed a concentration of 5 gallons per acre foot during any single application; wait a minimum of 14 days between treatments.
- Ensure spray does not drift onto non-target areas.
- **Avoiding Injurious Spray Drift:** Applications must be made only when there is little or no hazard for spray drift. Very small quantities of spray, which may not be visible, may seriously injure susceptible plants. Do not spray when wind is blowing toward desirable susceptible crops or

ornamental plants near enough to be injured. Avoiding spray drift at the application site is the responsibility of the applicator.

- This product may be applied to natural or man-made water bodies.
- **Obtain Required Permits:** Consult with appropriate state or local pesticide and/or water authorities before applying this product in or around public waters. Permits and posting or treatment notification may be required by State, Tribal, or local public agencies.
- Best results are typically achieved by starting applications prior to having excessive algae densities.
- Do not treat more than 1/2 of the surface area of the pond at any one time. (See **Environmental Hazards**)
- Begin by treating from the shoreline, outward toward the middle of water body, to allow fish to move away from the treatment area towards the center of the water body.
- For best results, apply mid-morning, on a sunny, calm day.
- If targeting planktonic algae, evenly distribute the product spray stream around the entire pond, spraying the stream 10-15 feet out from the shore.
- If targeting filamentous algae mats or plant like algae, make sure to spray a coarse stream of this product directly onto the mats or into the water over the targeted algae. Be sure to spray this product to cover the entire surface of the algae mats. (When greater coverage is required for optimal efficacy, this product may be diluted up to a 50% product / 50% water solution to have enough spray solution to completely cover all of the algae mats)
- Apply undiluted product by surface spray application to heavily infested sites.

**What Type of Algae Do I Have?**

	<b>Description</b>	<b>Appearance</b>
Planktonic	Algae suspended throughout the water. Water appears to have an unusual coloration (green, blue, brown, red).	
Filamentous	Large mats of algae that are often present on the edge and surface, but can also cover the bottom of a pond.	
Plant-like	Erect algae attached to the bottom, growing up through the water column.	

**When, How, and How Much Product Do I Apply?**

Follow a proactive **Prevention Program** (see Table 2) to prevent problematic algae infestations from occurring and improve overall water quality in your pond. With a PondMaster SeClear Algaecide and Water Quality Enhancer Prevention Program, you can keep your pond looking good by preventing an algae bloom before it starts and improve water quality/clarity by tying up phosphorus and removing suspended particulates that are in the pond. By starting this program in early spring, you may be able to stop nuisance algae or poor water quality from even occurring.

Follow a specific **Algae Treatment Program** (see Table 3) to quickly control nuisance algae in your pond. Multiple applications may be needed to get your pond looking clean if: 1) you have fast growing algae and/or 2) your algae infestation is very thick.

<b>Application Timing (before algae appears)</b>	<b>Gallons of product per acre foot</b>	<b>Application Method</b>
Day 1: Initial Application	1 - 2 gallons	- Set spray nozzle to coarse spray - Pump up sprayer to high pressure
Day 30: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Application	1 - 2 gallons	- Direct product stream into pond, not exceeding 10-15 feet from shoreline
Day 60: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Application	1 - 2 gallons	- Spray evenly around pond edge

Continue applications on this schedule to maintain an algae free pond with remarkable clarity. If you start to see algae, switch to the Algae Treatment Program (See Table 3).

<b>Application Timing (an algae infestation has already appeared)</b>	<b>Gallons of product per acre foot</b>	<b>Application Method</b>
Day 1: Initial Application	3 - 5 gallons	- Set spray nozzle to coarse spray - Pump up sprayer to high pressure
Day 14: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Application	2 - 4 gallons	<b>For Planktonic algae</b> Direct product stream into pond, not exceeding 10-15 feet from shoreline; Spray evenly around pond edge
Day 28: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Application	2 - 4 gallons	<b>For Filamentous or plant-like algae</b> Direct the spray stream onto the algae mats/beds, ensure to completely cover the beds with the product spray solution, and apply evenly around the pond edge
Day 60: 4 <sup>th</sup> Application	1 - 2 gallons	

- Use the lower spray volumes for controlling planktonic algae
- Use the higher spray volumes for controlling filamentous and plant-like algae
- No need for product dilution when applying to control planktonic blooms
- To entirely cover high levels of filamentous algae mats, this product may be diluted by as much as 50/50 with water to ensure enough spray volume to entirely cover all visible algae mats/beds
- After the 3rd application, resume the Prevention Program

**IF ANY OF THE CONTENT OF THIS LABEL IS NOT UNDERSTOOD, OR YOU NEED FURTHER ASSISTANCE, CONTACT A PBI/GORDON AQUATIC SPECIALIST, OR CALL 1-800-884-3179 WITH QUESTIONS SPECIFIC TO YOUR APPLICATION.**

**STORAGE AND DISPOSAL**

**Pesticide Storage:** Keep from freezing. Store in original container only. Do not store near feed or foodstuffs. In case of leak or spill, use absorbent materials to contain liquids and dispose as waste.

**Pesticide Disposal and Container Handling**  
**Non-refillable Container. DO NOT reuse or refill this container.**  
**If empty:** Place in trash or offer for recycling if available. **If partly filled:** Call your local solid waste agency for disposal instructions. Never place unused product down any indoor or outdoor drain.

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**Misuse:** Federal law prohibits the use of this product in a manner inconsistent with its label directions. To the extent consistent with applicable law, the buyer assumes responsibility for any adverse consequences if this product is not used according to its label directions. In no case shall PBI/Gordon Corporation be liable for any losses or damages resulting from the use, handling or application of this product in a manner inconsistent with its label.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF USE**

If terms of the *Warranty Disclaimer* and *Misuse* provisions on the product label as well as the *Inherent Risks of Use* and *Limitation of Remedies* statements below are not acceptable, return unopened package at once to the seller for a full refund of purchase price paid. Otherwise, to the extent consistent with applicable law, use by the buyer or any other user constitutes acceptance of the terms under *Warranty Disclaimer*, *Misuse*, *Inherent Risks of Use*, and *Limitation of Remedies*.

**INHERENT RISKS OF USE**

It is impossible to eliminate all risks associated with use of this product. Plant injury, lack of performance, or other unintended consequences may result because of such factors as use of the product contrary to

label instructions (including use under conditions noted on the label such as unfavorable temperatures, soil conditions, etc.), abnormal conditions (such as excessive rainfall, drought, tornadoes, hurricanes), the presence of other materials, the manner of application, or other factors, all of which are beyond the control of PBI/Gordon Corporation or the seller. To the extent consistent with applicable law, all such risks shall be assumed by the buyer and/or user of the product.

### LIMITATION OF REMEDIES

To the extent consistent with applicable law, the exclusive remedy for losses or damages resulting from this product (including claims based on contract, negligence, strict liability, or other legal theories) shall be limited to, at PBI/Gordon Corporation's election, one of the following:

1. Refund of purchase price paid by buyer or user for product bought, or
2. Replacement of amount of product used.

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#### Questions, Comments or Information Call 1-800-884-3179

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