

**NORTHERN CROPPING ZONE TECHNICAL GUIDE** 

# RESIDUAL AND BURNDOWN CONTROL WITH FLEXIBILITY





#### Overview

Valor 500WG and Valor EZE 480SC liquid are both highly flexible Group 14 herbicides developed locally by Sumitomo Chemical Australia. Both are registered for a range of new uses making them suitable for Northern cropping zones including pre-emergence weed control prior to planting winter crops and lucerne, as well as for fallow, fence line and irrigation channel maintenance.

These new uses are in addition to a wide range of already established practices prior to summer crops, sugarcane and as a knockdown spike.

The active ingredient in Valor and Valor EZE has several unique attributes making it one of the most versatile compounds in this group.



Valor WG is packaged in water-soluble bags and offers reduced risk of exposure during mixing.

- Valor contains 500 g/kg of flumioxazin as a wettable granule (WG).
- Valor EZE contains 480 g/L of flumioxazin as an suspension concentrate (SC).
- PPO Group 14 mode of action with zero resistance recorded in Australia to date.
- New fallow establishment and pre-sowing residual registrations prior to winter crops and lucerne.
- Rapid burndown and excellent activity as a knockdown spike.
- Robust long-term residual control of weeds on fence lines and channel banks.
- Strength against difficult to control weeds
- Compatible with a wide range of knockdown and pre-emergent herbicides.



Valor EZE is available in Easy Pour 10 L drums.

#### MODE OF ACTION AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

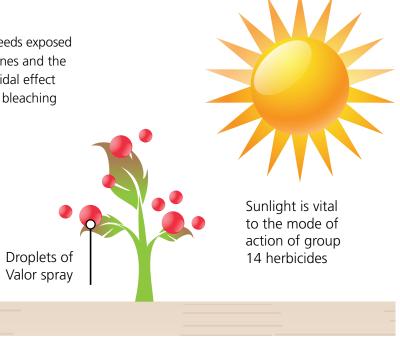
| Properties                     |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Herbicide Mode of Action group | 14   |  |  |  |  |
| МоА                            | Inhibitor of protoporphyrinogen oxidase (PPOs) |  |  |  |  |
| Uptake pathway                 | Foliar and epicotyl                            |  |  |  |  |
| Systemic activity              | None   |  |  |  |  |
| Speed of action                | Rapid  |  |  |  |  |
| Soil degradation               | DT <sub>50</sub> : 17 to 21 days               |  |  |  |  |
| Volatility                     | Non-volatile                                   |  |  |  |  |
| UV stability                   | Very stable                                    |  |  |  |  |
| Soil mobility                  | Koc = 889 (slightly mobile)                    |  |  |  |  |
| Mammalian toxicity             | Oral $LD_{50}$ (mg kg-1) = >5000 (low risk)    |  |  |  |  |

### How do Valor and Valor EZE work?

#### **FOLIAR UPTAKE**

Valor and Valor EZE are group 14 herbicides. Weeds exposed die because of disruption to plant cell membranes and the subsequent leakage of cell content. The herbicidal effect expresses rapidly as browning of the leaves, or bleaching as it is sometimes referred to.

Brownout is caused by the inhibition of photosynthesis and bleaching of the chloroplasts. Affected leaves turn yellow soon after application, followed by desiccation, necrosis and browning. Sunlight is vital to initiate symptoms and instrumental to herbicidal efficacy because of its role in the formation of the chemical agent responsible for the cell wall disruption.

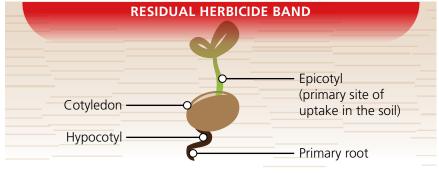




#### **RESIDUAL UPTAKE**

Residual control occurs as the weeds begin to germinate and the active ingredient is taken up by the epicotyl, where it accumulates. Symptoms then occur as soon as the shoot breaks through the soil surface and is exposed to sunlight. With higher residual rates being used with a knockdown mixing partner, emerged weeds can sometimes suffer antagonism under high light intensity. Germinating weeds will normally not be seen as sunlight filters into the top layer of soil activating the herbicide and killing weeds before they emerge.









# Summer crop weed control

Valor and Valor EZE are both registered for long lasting pre-emergence weed control in fallow and prior to planting summer crops and feature:

- Summer crop residual registrations include prior to planting cotton, sorghum, soybeans, mungbeans, peanuts, pigeon peas, navy beans and sunflowers.
- Short plant-back intervals with minimal rainfall requirements.
- Flexibility to alter cropping plans when opportunities or contingencies require it.
- Robust residual control of difficult weeds such as fleabane, Feathertop Rhodes grass and milk/sow thistle.
- Outstanding resistance management tool for summer cropping systems over-reliant on glyphosate and other older chemistry.
- Excellent fit in Roundup® Ready Flex cotton and XtendFlex® cotton systems.
- They can be used more than once in a season as long as minimum plant-back and rainfall requirements are observed.



#### **SUMMARY OF SUMMER CROP USES**

| <b>Crop Situation</b>                      | Use-timing   | Valor WG<br>rate per ha                | Valor EZE<br>rate per ha                | Weeds  | Comments  |
|--|--|--|---|--|---|
| Fallow                                     | Fallow<br>commencement<br>(residual<br>weed control) | 210 g – 280 g                          | 220 mL – 290 mL                         | Residual and burndown control of a range of weeds. See weeds table or label.   | Ideally applied<br>following crop harvest<br>when commencing<br>fallow period.  |
| Pre-plant<br>burndown spike                | Prior to sowing a<br>range of<br>summer crops        | 30 g<br>plus glyphosate<br>or paraquat | 30 mL<br>plus glyphosate<br>or paraquat | For increased speed of<br>brownout and improved<br>final control of a range of<br>weeds. See weeds table<br>or label.  | Apply as a spike with non-selective herbicides.   |
| Soybeans<br>Peanuts                        | PSPE   | 210 g – 280 g                          | 220 mL – 290 mL                         | Wide range of summer and winter broadleaf and  | Needs 15 mm rain to activate and  |
| Pigeon Pea<br>Maize<br>Sorghum<br>Navybean | One month prior to sowing                            |  |   | grasses 6-8 weeks control.  Good on shallow germinating weeds like like: Feathertop Rhodes   | incorporate within 3 weeks.  For PSPE apply within 2 days of planting as  |
| Cotton<br>Sunflower<br>Mungbeans           | Two months prior to sowing                           |  |   | grass, fleabane and milk/sow thistle.  Some large seeded deep germinating grasses like liverseed and barnyard may get through dry surface soil.  Some deep germinating broadleaf like wireweed and caltrop may germinate through cracks in soil.  These may require follow up application of knockdown herbicides. | rain at germination can wash herbicide in around seed and cause phytotoxicity. Efficacy reduced by: Soil movement, trash, big clods and long dry conditions. Can be mixed with other more soluble herbicides like S-metolachlor to improve deep seeded grass control. |

Read label for full details See weeds table for full list of weeds controlled. Always add Hasten® spray oil for enhanced knockdown of emerged weeds

#### MINIMUM RE-CROPPING INTERVALS (MONTHS)

| Cuan   | Valor WG g/ha                   | 30 | 120 | 180 | 210 - 280 | 560 - 700 |
|--|---------------------------------|----|-----|-----|-----------|-----------|
| Crop   | Valor EZE mL/ha                 | 30 | 125 | 190 | 220 - 290 | 580 - 730 |
| Faba beans, Pe   | anuts, Soybean                  | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0         | 5         |
| Chickpeas, Field peas, Pigeon Pea, Maize,<br>Navy beans, Sorghum |                                 | 0  | 0   | 0   | 1         |           |
| Wheat  |                                 | 0  | 0   | 1   | 2         |           |
| Vetch  |                                 | 0  | 1   | 1   | 2         |           |
| Cotton, Sunflow  | Cotton, Sunflowers, Mungbeans   |    |     |     | 2         | 8         |
| Durum  | Wheat                           | 0  | 1   | 1   | 3         |           |
| Barley, Lupins,  | Barley, Lupins, Oats, Triticale |    | 1   | 2   | 3         |           |
| Lentils  |                                 | 0  | 0   | 3   | 4         |           |
| Lucerne (seedling), Medic, Sub Clover                            |                                 | 0  | 3   | 4   | 6         |           |
| Car  | nola                            | 5  | 9   | 9   | 9         | 12        |

Note: 15 mm of rainfall required in addition to minimum time-period for all residual rate re-cropping intervals.

# RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF HERBICIDE TOLERANT VOLUNTEERS

For resistance management, Valor and Valor EZE are Group 14 herbicides with the PPO mode of action. To date Australia has no recorded cases of resistance to this mode of action making Valor and Valor EZE ideal choices to manage weeds with known resistance to other modes of action.

Valor and Valor EZE are also registered at 45 g and 45 mL per hectare for the control of Roundup Ready Flex volunteer cotton.



Valor and Valor EZE are excellent choices for helping control Roundup Ready Flex cotton volunteers.

#### **RULES OF THUMB FOR RESIDUAL APPLICATION**

- 1. Valor and Valor EZE need 15 mm + of rain or overhead irrigation to incorporate and activate.
- 2. Avoid excessively cloddy soil with high trash cover.
- 3. Remove emerged weeds prior to application with a non-selective herbicide if weed coverage is greater than 20%.
- 4. Use a minimum of 80 L per ha of water. Use more when heavy trash or stubble cover is present.
- 5. Significant rainfall following application and sowing can heighten the chance of negative crop effects, particularly in flood irrigated, watered-up scenarios.





#### **EXCELLENT CROP SAFETY ON SUMMER CROPS**

Narrabri.

Sorghum and cotton planted minimum till. Valor applied at 280 g/ha 30 days pre-sowing.

Photo to the right: 26 days after sowing (No observable phtyotoxic effect). Sumitomo recommend not applying Valor at residual rates within 2 months of planting cotton and 1 month of planting sorghum to ensure no risk of crop effect.



#### **EXTENDED WEED CONTROL IN SUMMER FALLOW**

Darling Downs.

Photo below: Untreated control.



Photo below: 12 weeks after treatment.

Valor plot is still weed free with the exception of
2 healthy sorghum plants illustrating the selectivity of
Valor to sorghum.



# OUTSTANDING WEED CONTROL IN PIGEON PEA

Condamine Plains, S. Qld. Valor applied just prior to sowing.

Photo to the right: 6 weeks after treatment Untreated plot shows significant Amaranth pressure, while Valor treated area is weed free.



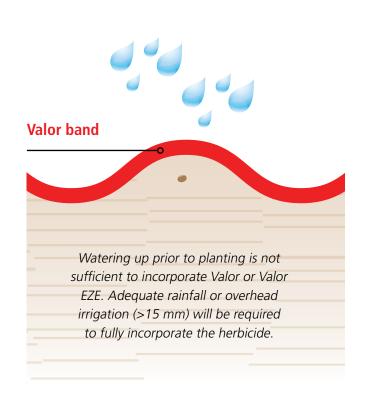
#### WATERING UP

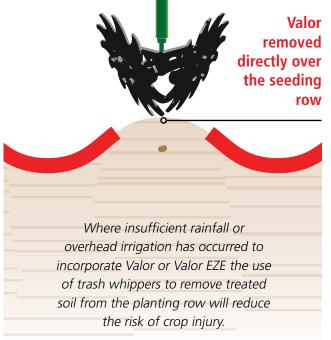
Flood irrigation will not incorporate Valor on the top of the bed. If there has been no rain, Valor and Valor EZE will remain on the surface of the soil while the soil underneath becomes saturated. If rain then falls as crop emergence is taking place, the water can pool on the surface and seedlings can be exposed to a high concentration of Valor in water. This may cause crop damage particularly if accompanied by cooler temperatures that slow down emergence.

If there is doubt about when rainfall may occur prior to planting, it may be preferable to apply residual rates of Valor and Valor EZE two or three months before sowing to allow incorporation by winter or spring rain. This will reduce germination of hard to control weeds like Feathertop Rhodes grass prior to sowing. Knockdown rates of Valor and Valor EZE can still be applied just prior to sowing.

Pigeon peas often do not emerge well if they are sown dry, then watered up, if rain also falls during emergence. If Valor or Valor EZE remain unincorporated on the soil surface in this situation significant damage can also result. It is safer to flood irrigate first then sow the pigeon pea into moisture.

If insufficient overhead irrigation or rain to incorporate the herbicide has occured prior to planting, then trash whippers or wide tynes that move about 1 cm of soil (with the herbicide) away from the seeding zone may reduce the risk of damage from heavy rain falling at crop emergence.









# Winter crop weed control

Valor and Valor EZE are now registered for preemergence residual weed control when planting winter crops and lucerne, including when planting wheat (excluding durum varieties), faba beans, chickpeas, field peas and lentils. In these situations Valor and Valor EZE provide:

- Short plant-back intervals prior to other winter and summer crops with minimal rainfall requirements.
- Flexibility to alter cropping plans when opportunities or contingencies require it.
- Control and suppression of a range of key grass and broadleaf weeds

- Ability to use more than once in a season if minimum plant-back and rainfall requirements are observed.
- Excellent resistance management for winter cropping systems where resistance is present to other herbicide groups. No known resistance has been identified to Valor and Valor EZE in Australia.
- New registration for fallow commencement, providing long lasting residual weed control post-harvest.

#### **VALOR AND VALOR EZE USES IN NORTHERN CROPPING ZONES**

| Crop<br>Situation                          | Use-timing   | Valor WG<br>Rate per ha                              | Valor EZE<br>Rate per ha                            | Weeds   | Comments  |
|--|--|--|---|---|---|
| Fallow                                     | Fallow<br>commencement<br>(residual weed<br>control)   | 210 g - 280 g  | 220 - 290 mL  | Residual and<br>burndown control of<br>a range of weeds. See<br>weeds table or label.                     | Ideally applied<br>following crop harvest<br>when commencing<br>fallow period.                          |
| Pre-plant<br>burndown<br>spike             | Prior to sowing<br>a range of winter<br>and summer crops   | 30 g   | 30 mL   | For increased speed of brownout and improved final control of a range of weeds. See weeds table or label. | Apply as a spike with non-selective herbicides.   |
| Wheat# and<br>Lentils                      |  | 120 g  | 125 mL  | Residual suppression of<br>a range of weeds. See<br>weeds table or label.                                 | Control emerged<br>weeds with a<br>knockdown herbicide  |
| Wheat#                                     | IBS<br>(Incorporated<br>By Sowing)   | 120 g +<br>2 L Triflur* X +<br>3.2 L Avadex*<br>Xtra | 125 mL +<br>2 L Triflur X +<br>3.2 L Avadex<br>Xtra | Residual control and<br>suppression of a range<br>of weeds. See weeds<br>table or label.                  | before applying Valor.  Sowing (IBS) should occur within 7 days of application.                         |
| Faba beans,<br>Chickpeas and<br>Field peas |  | 180 g  | 190 mL  | Residual suppression of<br>a range of weeds. See<br>weeds table or label.                                 | Residual control may<br>be reduced unless<br>25mm of rain occurs<br>within 3 weeks<br>following sowing. |
| Lucerne<br>(at least<br>12 months old)     | Use after heavy<br>grazing, cutting<br>or application of<br>Paraquat or Paraquat/<br>Diquat for winter<br>cleaning | 280 g  | 290 mL  | Residual control and<br>suppression of a range<br>of weeds. See weeds<br>table or label.                  | Only apply to pure lucerne stands.  Do not apply to lucerne with greater than 15cm of growth.           |

Read label for full details. \*Except Durum varieties \*Registered Trademark

### Pre-plant spike

One of the key uses of Valor and Valor EZE is as a spike for glyphosate and paraquat-based herbicides – for the control or burndown of unwanted weeds before planting a range of winter broadacre and summer row crops. Either can be used immediately prior to sowing wheat, oats, barley, chickpeas, fababeans, field peas, lentils, lupins, maize, mungbeans, sorghum, soybeans, navy beans, pigeon peas, cotton, peanuts and sunflower.

- Valor and Valor EZE offer consistent control of a wide variety of broadleaf weeds, as well as certain grasses.
- Valor and Valor EZE have good knockdown strength against a number of problem weeds including wild radish (*Raphanus raphanistrum*), vines (*Ipomoea* spp.) and wireweed (*Polygonum aviculare*).
- Valor and Valor EZE assist in seed bed preparation through rapid removal of existing weeds when mixed with a non-selective herbicide prior to sowing.
- At 30 g and 30 mL per ha Valor and Valor EZE have negligible soil residual carryover and with the exception of canola have no plant-back restrictions (refer to table on page 5).

#### **SUMMARY OF PRE-PLANT SPIKE USES**

| Rate   | Use-timing  | Cro  | ops   | Weeds   | Comments  |
|--|---|--|---|---|---|
| Valor 30 g/ha or<br>Valor EZE 30 mL/ha<br>Plus glyphosate<br>or paraquat<br>Plus Hasten<br>Spray Oil | Pre-plant enhanced<br>burndown  | SUMMER: Cotton Sorghum Maize Soybeans Peanuts Mungbeans Navybeans Pigeon pea Sunflower | WINTER: Wheat Barley Oats Chickpeas Fababeans Field peas Lentils Lupins | 2-6 leaf weeds  Wide range of summer and winter broadleaf | Zero plant-back<br>except for canola<br>(See re-cropping<br>table)  |
| Valor 45 g/ha or<br>Valor EZE 45 mL/ha   | Pre-plant<br>volunteer cotton<br>burn-down<br>including<br>Roundup® Ready         | Sorghum<br>Maize<br>Soybean<br>Mungbean<br>Sunflower                                   |   | Will control small  | Allow at least<br>one hour before<br>sowing.<br>Do not use post<br>sowing.                                |
| Plus Hasten<br>Spray Oil   | Pre-plant or PSPE<br>volunteer cotton<br>burn-down<br>including<br>Roundup® Ready |  |   | broadleaf weeds   | Allow at least<br>one hour before<br>sowing, or apply<br>PSPE up to two<br>days before crop<br>emergence. |

Read label for full details. Refer to weeds table on page 16 for full list of weeds controlled.

# Rules of thumb for knockdown spike

- 1. Apply in 100 L water per ha.
- 2. Always use Hasten spray oil.
- 3. Use flat fan nozzles.
  - Air induction nozzles can give poor coverage when oil is used.
- 4. Target appropriate sized weeds.
  - Targeting young/small weeds gives best results.
  - Avoid older established plants (check roots).
- 5. Use correct rate of mixing partner.



Roundup PowerMax 1 L + Valor 30 q/ha + Hasten 0.5%, 35 DAA.





#### **VALOR AND VALOR EZE FOR COTTON VOLUNTEERS**

Valor and Valor EZE provide an outstanding choice where a non-volatile spike is required to control Roundup Ready Flex cotton volunteers and other summer weeds.

> Valor and Valor EZE deliver robust control of cotton volunteers up to 4 leaf stage including Roundup Ready Flex volunteers.

Valor and Valor EZE give robust control of key summer weed species such as peachvine, milk/sow thistle and volunteer cotton. when used with knockdown sprays.

- Valor and Valor EZE's low volatility and contact action make them a safer option for summer fallow spraying in cotton growing areas, with the risk of damage to nearby cotton crops minimised.
- Valor and Valor EZE are not limited by restrictive environmental conditions that highly volatile herbicides require to avoid off target spray damage. Waiting for these conditions can take over a week in summer with the weeds still growing.



This makes them valuable summer herbicides for cotton growers and their neighbours.

- Be conscious of cotton and other crops sensitive to 2,4-D.
- Be conscious of your neighbours.
- Be conscious that Valor and Valor EZE are non-volatile and only causes a slight risk of drift.
- Be conscious of weather conditions during spraying even when using Valor and Valor EZE.

# Cotton lay-by

Valor and Valor EZE are valuable tools for the control of weeds in emerged cotton. A strategic lay-by application can control difficult or resistant weeds that may have escaped previous control measures. Weed escapes, if left unchecked can rob valuable nutrients and moisture from the crop as well as harbouring insect pests. Applied selectivity to cotton combined their residual and contact activity make Valor and Valor EZE ideal lay-by herbicides in cotton.

#### **SUMMARY OF COTTON LAY-BY USE**

| Rate  | Use-timing         | Crops  | Weeds   | Comments   |
|---|--------------------|--------|---|--|
| Valor 60 - 90 g/ha or<br>Valor EZE 60 - 95 mL/ha<br>Plus Hasten spray oil | Lay-by application | Cotton | Hard to kill broadleaf<br>weeds and vines such<br>as peachvine and<br>bladder ketmia<br>2-12 leaf depending on<br>species | Use shielded sprayer,<br>avoid contact with<br>green leaves and green<br>bark. |

Read label for full details.

Refer to weeds table on page 16 for full list of weeds controlled.

- Apply as a shielded spray underneath the cotton foliage and to the inter rows to control late germinating weeds, or already emerged weeds.
- Best results are obtained if emerged weeds are less than 6 leaf stage.
- Do not spray until cotton plants are 40 cm high.
- Valor and Valor EZE will burn any cotton foliage or green stems that is contacted by the spray. Apply when lower stems are at brown bark stage.
- Ideal herbicide resistance management options when used in the Roundup Ready Flex and Extend Flex growing systems.
- Do not apply in conditions conducive to drift.



Lay-by application using shielded sprayer.

# Channel banks and drainage ditches

Valor and Valor EZE are highly valuable and safe tools for residual weed control and enhanced knockdown in irrigation channel banks and drainage ditches.

#### For best results:

- Channels should be empty at time of application.
- Needs 15 mm of rain within 3 weeks after application to incorporate (once this occurs – its ok to fill channel and irrigate).
- If adequate rain has not fallen in time, then fill channel with water, allow to stand for 24 hrs, drain water off to waste and refill channel for irrigation.
- Remove weeds with a separate knockdown herbicide application prior to applying Valor or Valor EZE if weed coverage is greater than 20%.

Note: Valor and Valor EZE are not taken up by plant roots, therefore there is no risk of residues in any emerged crop through soil from the channel inadvertently moving into the field.

#### **SUMMARY OF CHANNEL BANK USES**

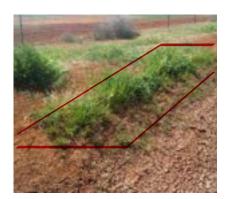
| Rate   | Use-timing    | Weeds   | Comments   |
|--|---------------|---|--|
| Valor 560 - 700 g/ha or<br>Valor EZE 580 - 730 mL/ha<br>Plus glyphosate or | Channel banks | Wide range of summer<br>and winter broadleaf and<br>grasses | Channel must be empty at spraying<br>Needs 15 mm rain to activate and<br>incorporate within 3 weeks. |
| paraquat<br>Plus Hasten spray oil  |               | Several months control                                      | If dry, fill channel for 24 hours, drain to waste, then irrigate.                                    |

Read label for full details.

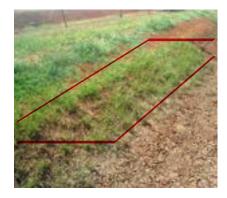
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#### CHANNEL BANK TRIAL – RED CRACKING CLAY SOIL, SWAN HILL, VIC

Photos: 155 days after treatment.



Untreated.



Alternative knockdown and residual herbicide.



Valor 700 g/ha.





### Fallow commencement

An ideal time to apply Valor at residual rates is after harvest and at the commencement of a fallow period where weed control of 2-3 months can be achieved, while still providing the flexibility for planting a range of crops and pastures the following autumn or spring.

Note: Canola is one of the only exceptions to these short plant-back periods, requiring a 9 month re-cropping interval when used at residual rates. This means applying Valor or Valor EZE immediately following canola harvest is the ideal use situation as it is very unlikely canola will be sown in that field again the following autumn. As most cropping programs are carefully planned well in advance, Valor or Valor EZE can also be used with confidence following other winter crops where canola is not planned to be grown the following season.

# VALOR OR VALOR EZE USED AT RESIDUAL RATES IN FALLOW REDUCES THE NEED FOR MULTIPLE SUMMER KNOCKDOWN APPLICATIONS

Even one application of glyphosate alone can be costly when application costs are included, and once tank-mix partners such as 2,4-D amine, 2,4-D ester or fluroxypyr are added, the applied cost can be even more significant.

Whilst 210 g/ha of Valor or 220 mL/ha of Valor EZE plus glyphosate or paraquat costs around \$45/ha including application, the length of control achieved can remove the need for a second or even a third knockdown application, saving growers valuable time and money. Reducing applications also removes the need to find multiple safe application windows, meeting buffer zone restrictions and the need to have extra labour on hand on multiple occasions. Valor and Valor EZE are also non-volatile and can be used at all times of the year, even in herbicide control zones such as those present over summer in Victoria.

### Fence lines

Valor and Valor EZE are valuable tools for the control of weeds on fence lines and non-crop boundary areas. Fence lines act as a sink for weed seeds, becoming a significant source of in-field contamination, so practicing good hygiene by using Valor or Valor EZE for long term weed control makes excellent sense. With a Group 14 PPO mode of action Valor and Valor EZE are also an ideal choice for resistance management on fence lines, helping reduce the pressure on valuable knockdown chemistry and extending their life for in field use.



Valor and Valor EZE used along fence lines and noncrop boundary areas can provide extended weed control for up to 12 months.

#### Lucerne

When used at 280 g/ha and 290 mL/ha respectively, Valor and Valor EZE offer robust long term weed control in established lucerne. Applied in autumn prior to the main germination of winter weeds they will provide up to 16 weeks residual weed control in lucerne, improving dry matter production and feed quality. A short 4-week WHP on grazing lucerne needs to observed, however.

For best results when applying to established lucerne:

- Apply after much of the growth has been removed by grazing or cutting to maximise soil coverage.
- Apply evenly to predominantly bare earth, before significant ground cover occurs from germinating winter weeds.
- Time the application in front of a moderate rainfall event or irrigation to incorporate and activate the herbicide.
- Valor and Valor EZE should be applied in a tank mixture with either paraquat or a paraquat/diquat mixture to control weeds that have already emerged.
- Valor and Valor EZE should be applied using a minimum of 80 L/ha of water.



Applying Valor or Valor EZE to established lucerne in autumn before winter weeds germinate will maximise weed control and productivity of your lucerne stand.



# Weeds controlled

Valor controls an extensive range of weeds. See table below where weeds are listed by registered use pattern and rate.

|  | Valor WG g/ha    | 30       | 60 - 90                                | 120                   | 120        | 180   | 210 - 280                | 280        | 560 - 700        | 700            |
|--|------------------|----------|--|-----------------------|------------|---|--------------------------|------------|------------------|----------------|
|  | Valor EZE mL/ha  | 30       | 60 - 95                                | 125                   | 125        | 190   | 220 - 290                | 290        | 580 - 730        | 730            |
| Weed species   | Use situation    | Spike    | Knockdown  – Lay-by application cotton | Wheat and<br>Lentils# | + 2 L/ha   | Faba beans,<br>Chickpeas<br>and Field<br>peas | Fallow com-<br>mencement | Lucerne    | Channel<br>Banks | Fence<br>lines |
| Amaranthus spp.  |                  | ~        | ~                                      |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Annual ryegrass (Lolium rigio<br>Annual polymeria (Polymeria)        |                  | ~        | ~                                      |                       | <b>V</b>   |   |                          | V          |                  | ~              |
| Barley grass (Hordeum lepon  |                  |          |  |                       | <b>✓</b> ▲ |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Barnyard grass (Echinocloa co  | olona)           |          |  |                       |            |   | V                        | <b>✓</b> ▲ | <b>✓</b>         | V              |
| Balsam pear (Mormordica cha  |                  |          |  |                       |            |   |                          |            | <b>V</b>         |                |
| Bellvine (Ipomoea plebeid<br>Bifora (Bifora testiculata              |                  | ~        | V                                      |                       |            | <b>V</b> A                                    |                          |            |                  |                |
| Black bindweed (Fallopia conve                                       |                  | ~        |  | ✓▲                    |            | VA  |                          |            |                  |                |
| Black pigweed (Trianthema portu                                      |                  | V        | V                                      |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Bladder ketmia (Hibiscus trio  |                  | V        | ~                                      |                       |            |   | V                        |            | V                |                |
| Bluetop/Billygoat weed (Ageratum he<br>Bromegrass (Bromus diand      |                  |          |  |                       | ✓▲         |   | ~                        |            | <b>V</b>         |                |
| Calopo (Calopogonium mucui   |                  |          |  |                       |            |   | V                        |            | V                |                |
| Caltrop/Yellowvine (Tribulus terrestris &                            | T. micrococcus)  | V        | V                                      |                       | <b>✓</b> ▲ |   | V                        |            | V                | V              |
| Canola volunteers (Brassica r.                                       |                  | <b>V</b> |  | ✓▲                    | <b>✓</b> ▲ | <b>✓</b> ▲                                    |                          |            |                  |                |
| Capeweed (Arctotheca caler   |                  | ~        |  | ✓▲                    | ✓▲         | ✓▲  |                          | <b>V</b>   |                  | V              |
| Carrot weed (Cotula austra<br>Clammy goosefoot (Chenopodiur          |                  |          |  |                       |            |   |                          | V.A.       |                  | 7              |
| Common chickweed (Stellaruia   |                  |          |  | ✓▲                    | <b>✓</b> ▲ | <b>✓</b> ▲                                    |                          |            |                  |                |
| Corn gromwell (Buglossoides a  | invensis)        |          |  |                       | V          |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Cow/Peach vine (Ipomoea lonch  |                  | <b>V</b> | V                                      |                       |            |   |                          |            | <b>V</b>         |                |
| Crassula (Crassula sieberia<br>Crowsfoot (Eleusine indic             |                  |          |  | ✓▲                    | ✓▲         | <b>✓</b> ▲                                    | ./                       |            | ./               |                |
| Dead nettle (Lamium amplexi  |                  | ~        |  |                       | <b>V A</b> |   |                          | ~          | · ·              | ~              |
| Doublegee (Emex austral  |                  | V        |  |                       | · -        |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Erodium/Storksbill (Erodium cic                                      |                  | <b>V</b> |  |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  | <b>V</b>       |
| False castor oil (Datura stromo                                      |                  | V        |  |                       |            |   |                          | 4.         |                  |                |
| Fat hen (Chenopodium alb<br>Feathertop rhodes grass (Chloris         |                  |          |  |                       |            |   | ./                       |            | 4                | ~              |
| Fleabane (Conyza bonarier  |                  |          |  |                       |            | <b>V</b> A                                    |                          | 7          | ~                | 7              |
| Fumitory (Fumaria spp.)  |                  |          |  |                       | V          | VA  |                          |            |                  | ·              |
| Green summer grass (Brachiaria sub                                   |                  |          |  |                       |            |   |                          |            | <b>V</b>         |                |
| Heliotrope (Heliotropium europ                                       |                  |          |  | 4.4                   | 4.4        | 4.4   |                          | <b>✓</b> ▲ |                  | ~              |
| Indian hedge mustard (Sisymbriun<br>Ipomea spp.                      | n orientale)     | V        | V                                      | <b>✓</b> ▲            | ✓▲         | <b>✓</b> ▲                                    | <b>V</b>                 |            | V                |                |
| Lesser loosestrife ( <i>Lythrum hyss</i>                             | sopifolia)       |          | •                                      |                       |            |   | •                        |            | •                | V              |
| Liverseed grass (Urochloa pani                                       |                  | V        |  |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Lucerne (seedling only) (Medicag                                     |                  | <b>V</b> |  |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Marshmallow ( <i>Malva parvif</i><br><i>Medicago</i> spp.            | flora)           | V        |  |                       |            |   |                          | <b>V</b>   |                  |                |
| Milk/Sow thistle (Sonchus olei                                       | raceus)          | •        |  |                       |            |   | V                        |            | V                |                |
| New Zealand spinach ( <i>Tetragonia te</i>                           |                  |          |  | ✓▲                    | <b>✓</b> ▲ | <b>✓</b> ▲                                    |                          |            | •                |                |
| Milk weed (Euphorbia hetero  |                  |          |  |                       |            |   | V                        |            | <b>V</b>         |                |
| Noogoora burr (Xanthium occi   | dentale)         | V        | ~                                      |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Oats (Avena sativa) Paradoxa grass (Phalaris para                    | ndova)           |          |  |                       | ~          |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Paterson's curse (Echium planta                                      |                  | V        |  |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Phyllanthus spp.   |                  |          |  |                       |            |   | V                        |            | <b>V</b>         |                |
| Prickly lettuce (Lactuca serr  |                  |          |  | ✓▲                    | <b>✓</b> ▲ | <b>✓</b> ▲                                    |                          |            |                  | <b>V</b>       |
| Red pigweed (Portulaca oler  |                  | V        | V                                      |                       |            |   | ~                        |            | V                |                |
| Redroot amaranth (Amaranthus r<br>Rough poppy (Papaver hydri         |                  | -        |  |                       | 4          | <b>✓</b> ▲                                    |                          |            |                  |                |
| Sand fescue (Vulpia fascicu  |                  |          |  |                       | V          |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Seedling lucerne (Medicago s   | sativa)          | V        |  |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Shepherd's purse (Capsella bursa                                     |                  | <b>V</b> |  |                       |            |   |                          | <b>~</b>   |                  | <b>V</b>       |
| Sicklepod (Cassia obtusifo   |                  |          |  |                       |            |   | ~                        |            | <b>V</b>         |                |
| Silver grass (Vulpia bromoie<br>Slender celery (Ciclospermum lep     |                  |          |  |                       | V          | <b>✓</b> ▲                                    |                          | V          |                  | V              |
| Speedwell (Veronica spp  |                  |          |  |                       | <b>V A</b> |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Sowthistle (Sonchus olerace  | eus)             | ~        | V                                      | ✓▲                    | <b>✓</b> ▲ | ✓▲  |                          | V          |                  |                |
| Spiked malvastrum (Malvastrum al                                     |                  |          | V                                      |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Spurred vetch ( <i>Vicia monan</i> Square weed ( <i>Spemacoce la</i> |                  | ~        |  |                       |            |   | ./                       |            |                  |                |
| Stinging nettle ( <i>Urtica ure</i>                                  |                  |          |  |                       |            |   |                          | <b>V</b>   |                  | VA             |
| Subteraneum clover ( <i>Trifolium sub</i>                            |                  | V        |  |                       |            |   |                          | VA         |                  |                |
| Summer grass (Digitaria cilli  | iaris)           |          |  |                       |            |   | <b>V</b>                 |            | <b>V</b>         |                |
| Sunflower (Helianthus anni   |                  | V        |  |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Tarvine (Boerhavia domin<br>Three horned bedstraw (Galium tr         |                  | V        |  | <b>V</b> A            | V A        | <b>V</b> A                                    |                          |            |                  |                |
| Toadrush (Juncus bufoniu   |                  |          |  | VA                    | <b>V</b> A | <b>V</b> A                                    |                          |            |                  | ~              |
| Turnip weed (Rapistrum rugo  | osum)            | V        |  |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  | V              |
| Volunteer cotton (including Roundup                                  | Ready varieties) | <b>*</b> |  |                       |            |   |                          |            |                  |                |
| Wild radish (Raphanus raphan   |                  | V        |  | <b>V</b>              | ✓▲         | ✓▲  |                          |            | .,               |                |
| Wild rose (Cleome aculea<br>Wild oats (Avena spp.)                   |                  |          |  |                       | V          |   | V                        |            | V                |                |
| Winter grass (Poa annua  |                  |          |  |                       | ~          |   |                          | V          |                  | V              |
| Wireweed (Polygonum avicu  | ulare)           | V        |  | ✓▲                    | V          | <b>✓</b> ▲                                    |                          |            |                  |                |
| Yellow burr weed (Amsinckia  | spp.)            |          |  |                       | <b>✓</b> ▲ |   |                          |            |                  |                |

### General application guidelines

#### MIXING AND HANDLING

For ease of use **Valor WG** is conveniently packed into 350 g water soluble sachets, each in an outer foil envelope. Two carton sizes are available, a 1.75 kg carton (including 5 x 350 g sachets) and a 10.5 kg carton (including 6 x 1.75 kg foil envelopes each with 5 x 350 g water soluble bags). Simply tear the foil envelope starting from the notch and empty the contents into the spray tank. Avoid contacting the sachet with wet hands.

When pre-mixing chemicals in a separate mixing vessel, concentration and saturation time might limit the number of sachets that can be added to the vessel at a time. Users are advised to add one sachet at a time, while employing strong agitation, to determine the optimal mixing regime.

**Valor EZE** is packed in 10 L drums and users are advised to keep the agitation system engaged and mix thoroughly until fully dispersed.

#### **WATER PH**

Valor and Valor EZE have a reduced half life in high pH water due to alkaline hydrolysis. At pH 8 or above the half life of Valor and Valor EZE can be as low as 2 hours. At pH 7 or below the spray mixture will be stable beyond 24 hours. In the case of high pH water Sumitomo recommend buffering the spray water to pH 7 or below.

#### **DECONTAMINATING SPRAY EQUIPMENT**

Equipment with Valor or Valor EZE residue remaining in the system may result in crop injury to a subsequently treated crop.

Spray equipment, including mixing vessels and nurse tanks, must be cleaned following application. After Valor or Valor EZE is applied, it is important to follow the decontamination steps as outlined on the Valor label.



To enhance the effective removal of Valor or Valor EZE from the spray system, add a tank cleaner such as All Clear™ DS or Kleenup™ Granular, DO NOT use ammonia. Follow the instructions on the product

label for these products. All-Clear DS has very detailed instructions on how to achieve effective decontamination. Scan QR to watch video on decontamination:



#### **RE-ENTRY**

Do not enter treated areas until the spray has dried, unless wearing suitable protective clothing. Refer to the registered product label for details.

# CHANNEL BANKS AND DRAINAGE DITCH APPLICATION

For application to channel banks and drainage ditches follow the general application guidelines above although make sure channels are completely empty of water at time of application.

#### **COMPATIBILITY**

Valor and Valor EZE are highly compatible formulations with no known incompatibilities. The herbicides and adjuvants listed below have been tested and proven as physically and biologically compatible with Valor and Valor EZE. Brand names are used, as alternative products containing the same actives, whilst likely to be compatible, were not tested.

|                             | Compatibility status |                 |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
|                             | Valor 500WG          | Valor EZE 480SC |  |  |  |  |
| Amicide® 500                | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Amicide® Advance 700        | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Avadex® Xtra                | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Atrazine 900WG              | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Balance®                    | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Basta®                      | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Boxer Gold®                 | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| BS 1000                     | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Clincher® Gold              | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Colex® D                    |                      | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Crucial®                    | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Diuron 900DF                | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Dual® Gold                  | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Du-Wett®                    | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Factor® WG                  | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Flame®                      | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Gesaprim® 900WG             | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Gramoxone® 250              | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Gramoxone® 360              | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Hasten®                     | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Janitor® 700WG              | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Kwickin®                    | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Kyte™ 700 WG                | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| LI-700®                     | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Nuquat®                     | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Revolver™                   | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Roundup® CT                 | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Roundup® UltraMAX           | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Roundup® Ready<br>Herbicide | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Sakura®                     | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Sencor®                     | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Sequence®                   | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Simazine 900WG              | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Spinnaker® 700WG            | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Spray.Seed®                 | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Stomp®                      | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Stomp® Xtra                 | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Terbyne® Xtreme             | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Triflur® X                  | Yes                  | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| UAN                         |                      | Yes             |  |  |  |  |
| Uptake® Oil                 | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |
| Weedmaster® Duo             | Yes                  |                 |  |  |  |  |

#### **RAINFAST**

Valor and Valor EZE are rainfast after one hour but when using for enhanced knockdown follow the recommendations of the partner herbicide.

#### **AERIAL APPLICATION**

Do not apply by air.





# Rules of thumb when applying Valor and Valor EZE

# Knockdown spike

- 1. Apply in 100 L water per ha.
- 2. Always use Hasten spray oil.
- 3. Use flat fan nozzles.
  - Air induction nozzles can give poor coverage when oil is used.
- 4. Target appropriate sized weeds.
  - Targeting young/small weeds gives best results.
  - Avoid older established plants (check roots).
- 5. Use correct rate of mixing partner.

# **Residual application**

- 1. Valor and Valor EZE need 15 mm of rainfall in the 3 weeks following sowing to incorporate and activate.
- 2. Avoid excessively cloddy soil or high trash cover.
- 3. Remove emerged weeds prior with a non-selective herbicide if coverage is greater than 20%.
- 4. Use a minimum of 80 L per ha of water.
  Use more when heavy trash or stubble cover is present.
- 5. Prolonged wet weather following application and sowing can heighten the chance of negative crop effects.





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