

Requirements for Packaging and Labelling of Plant Protection Products¹

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This Regulation is established on the basis of subsection 74 (5) of the Plant Protection Act (RT I 2004, 32, 226).

§ 1. Scope of application

This Regulation establishes requirements for the packaging and labelling of plant protection products.

§ 2. Requirements for packaging of plant protection products

The packaging of plant protection products shall be in conformity with the requirements for the packaging of dangerous chemicals as provided for in the Chemicals Act (RT I 1998, 47, 697; 1999, 45, 512; 2002, 53, 336; 61, 375; 63, 387; 2003, 23, 144; 51, 352; 75, 499; 88, 591; 2004, 45, 315) and the requirements provided for in the Packaging Act (RT I 2004, 41, 278), and shall be clearly distinguishable from other types of packaging.

§ 3. Requirements for labelling of packaging of plant protection products

- (1) The labelling of a plant protection product (hereinafter labelling) shall comply with the requirements for the labelling of dangerous chemicals as provided for in § 74 of the Plant Protection Act, § 23 of the Packaging Act and in the Chemicals Act (RT I 1998, 47, 697; 1999, 45, 512; 2002, 53, 336; 61, 375; 63, 387; 2003, 23, 144; 51, 352; 75, 499; 88, 591) and with the requirements provided for in this Regulation.
- (2) The labelling shall be in Estonian, clearly legible and written in indelible characters.
- (3) The labelling shall be firmly affixed directly to the plant protection product and cover the whole surface of the product.

§ 4. Information on labelling

- (1) The following information shall be marked on a label:

- 1) the name of the plant protection product;
- 2) the type of effect of the plant protection product;
- 3) the chemical name of the active substance present in the plant protection product and the content of the active substance in the product expressed as follows: by means of weight percentage in case of aerosols, solid substances and volatile liquids (boiling point at 50 °C maximum) or viscous liquids; by means of weight percentage and g/l in case of other liquids (at 20 °C); as a percentage by volume in case of gases; by means of grams per unit in case of objects impregnated with active substance; by the number of spores per gram or litre or internationally recognised units per gram or litre in case of microbiological plant protection products;
- 4) indications of danger, danger symbols, danger category and risk and safety phrases;
- 5) the name of very toxic, toxic or harmful and caustic substances (except active substance) present in the plant protection product if the content of the very toxic or toxic substance is over 0,2 per cent and the content of harmful and caustic substance is over 5 per cent;
- 6) the type of preparation of the plant protection product;
- 7) the name and address of the manufacturer and if the packager and the manufacturer are not one and the same person, the name and address of the packager;
- 8) the name and address of the consigner of the plant protection product to Estonia;
- 9) the batch number or a character enabling identification of the batch;
- 10) the date of packaging and preservation time in case of normal storage conditions if the preservation time of the plant protection product is less than two years;
- 11) relevant standard phrases for special risks for humans, animals or the environment selected from the list of risk phrases provided for in Annex IV to Council Directive 91/414/EEC (R-phrases);
- 12) relevant standard phrases for safety of humans, animals or the environment selected from the list of safety phrases provided for in Annex V to Council Directive 91/414/EEC (S-phrases);
- 13) storage conditions;
- 14) first aid in case of intoxication;
- 15) instructions for safe disposal of the plant protection product and the packaging thereof;
- 16) the quantity of the plant protection product (kg, l);
- 17) the registration number of the plant protection product and the date of entry of the product in the register of plant protection products;

- 18) the area of application of the product and the agricultural, plant health and environmental conditions specified in the decision on the authorisation of the plant protection product in the existence of which the use of the product is or is not permitted;
 - 19) the directions for use and the dose route for every area of application specified in the decision on the authorisation of a plant protection product;
 - 20) the waiting period (calculated in twenty-four-hour periods) between the time when the plant protection product was last used and the time of the harvesting;
 - 21) if necessary, a safety interval (interval calculated in days) between the date of the last application of the plant protection product and the sowing or planting of the crop to be protected, the sowing or planting of the subsequent crop, access of humans or animals to the treated field, the harvesting, the use or consumption of the crops;
 - 22) notation concerning the undesirable effect of the plant protection product on plants, including phytotoxic effects, adverse side effects on neighbouring crops and toxicity to bees;
 - 23) if necessary, information on the extended area of application of the plant protection product.
- (2) The labelling of a plant protection product authorised pursuant to the simplified procedure shall indicate, in addition to the information specified in subsection (1), the name of the plant protection product previously authorised in Estonia, the name and address of the manufacturer thereof and the registration number of the plant protection product.
 - (3) The labelling shall indicate information on restrictions on the use and sale of the product.
 - (4) Information to the effect that the authorization relates explicitly to the use of the plant protection product when crops or weeds are in flower or during the season for bees shall be indicated on the label.
 - (5) If it is impossible to indicate the whole of the information on the label due to the size or shape of the label, special instructions shall be used. In such case, a corresponding reference and a sentence "Read accompanying instructions before use" shall be indicated on the label.
 - (6) The labelling of the grouped packaging and transport packaging of a plant protection product shall be in conformity with the requirements provided for in subsection 3 (1) of this Regulation and indicate information provided for in clauses 4 (1) 1), 4), 9), 10) and 13).

§ 5. Dimensions of labelling

The dimensions of labelling depend on the size of the packaging. If the volume of the packaging is:

- 1) up to three litres, the dimensions of the labelling shall be at least 52x74 mm;
- 2) up to fifty litres, the dimensions of the labelling shall be at least 74x105 mm;
- 3) up to fifty to five hundred litres, the dimensions of the labelling shall be at least 105x148 mm;
- 4) over five hundred litres, the dimensions of the labelling shall be at least 148x210 mm.

§ 6. Entry into force of Regulation

This Regulation enters into force on 15 July 2004.

Council Directive 91/414/EEC concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market (OJ L 230 19.08.1991, pp. 20–22); Council Directive 67/548/EEC on the approximation of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances (OJ L 196, 16.08.1967, pp. 1–10); Directive 1999/45/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous preparations (OJ L 200, 30.07.1999, pp. 1–68), amended by Directive 2001/60/EC (OJ L 226, 22.08.2001, pp. 5–6).

² RTL = *Riigi Teataja Lisa* = *Appendix to the State Gazette*

³ RT = *Riigi Teataja* = *State Gazette*