

**RCO**  
PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS



# OMEGA

GOPHER GRAIN BAIT

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN

**DANGER**

**POISON**



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EPA REG No. 5042-32 EPA EST No. 67442-OR-002  
NET CONTENTS 16 oz.

Manufactured by: RCO International, Inc. • P.O. Box 191, Harrisburg, Oregon 97446  
SEE INSIDE FOR ADDITIONAL PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

**ACTIVE INGREDIENT:**  
Strychnine Alkaloid ..... 50%  
**INERT INGREDIENTS** .... 99.50%  
**TOTAL** ..... 100.00%

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## FIRST AID

**IF SWALLOWED:** CALL A PHYSICIAN OR POISON CONTROL CENTER IMMEDIATELY. If less than ten (10) minutes have passed since the poison was taken, give 1 or 2 glasses of water and induce vomiting by touching the back of the throat with finger. Repeat until vomit fluid is clear. Have patient lie down in a quiet, darkened room and keep him warm and quiet. If person is unconscious, do not give anything by mouth and do not induce vomiting.

**IF INHALED:** Remove victim to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention.

**IF IN EYES:** Hold eyelids open and flush with steady, gentle stream of water for 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

**IF ON SKIN:** Wash with plenty of soap and water. Get medical attention.

## NOTE TO PHYSICIAN

Administer 100% OXYGEN by positive pressure to provide as much pulmonary gas exchange as possible, despite seizures. Administer ANTI-CONVULSANT DRUGS intravenously to control convulsions. **NOTICE:** It may be difficult or impossible to stop the seizure activity without stopping respiration. Be prepared to maintain pulmonary ventilation mechanically.

Tracheotomy may be necessary if seizures are prolonged.



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# **PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENT HAZARD to HUMANS and DOMESTIC ANIMALS**

**DANGER:** **Convulsive poison!** Fatal if swallowed or inhaled. Harmful if absorbed through skin. Do not get in eyes or on clothing. Avoid contact with skin. Do not breathe dust. Do not apply this product in a way that will contact any person or pet. Wash hands before eating, drinking, chewing gum, using tobacco, or using the toilet. Remove contaminated clothing and wash clothing before reuse.

## **PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)**

Applicators and other handlers must wear: *Long-sleeved shirt and long pants, cotton gloves, and shoes plus socks.*  
Keep and wash PPE separately from other laundry.

## **USER SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS**

Users should remove clothing immediately if pesticide gets inside. Then, wash thoroughly and put on clean clothing.

Users should remove PPE immediately after handling this product. As soon as possible, wash thoroughly and change into clean clothing.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS**

This product is toxic to fish, birds, and other wildlife. Do not allow bait to be exposed on soil surface. Do not apply directly to water, or to areas where surface water is present, or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water by the cleaning of equipment or disposal of wastes. Do not apply directly to food or feed crops.

## **ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSIDERATIONS**

**NOTICE:** The killing of a member of an endangered species during strychnine baiting operations may result in a fine under the Endangered Species Act. Before baiting, the user is advised to contact the Regional U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Endangered Species Specialist) or the local Fish and Game Office for specific information on endangered species. Strychnine baits should not be used in the geographic ranges of the following species except under programs and procedures approved by the USEPA: California condor, San Joaquin kit fox, Morrow Bay kangaroo rat, gray wolf and grizzly bear.

## **STORAGE AND DISPOSAL**

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal.

**PESTICIDE STORAGE:** Store only in original container, in a dry place inaccessible to children, pets and domestic animals.

**PESTICIDE DISPOSAL:** Recover any spilled product. Securely wrap in several layers of newspaper, and discard in trash.

**CONTAINER DISPOSAL:** Securely wrap original container in several layers of newspaper and discard in trash.

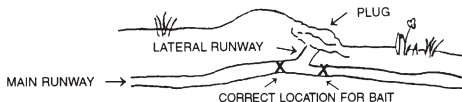
# DIRECTIONS FOR USE

It is a violation of Federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling.

**USE RESTRICTIONS:** This product may be used only in manual, subterranean applications in terrestrial food crops, and terrestrial nonfood and forestry areas to control the following species of pocket gophers: Northern (*Thomomys talpoides*); Southern (*Thomomys umbrinus*); Camas (*Thomomys bulbivorus*); Valley (*Thomomys bottae*); Mazama (*Thomomys mazama*); Plains (*Geomys bursarius*); Mountain (*Thomomys monticola*); and Townsend's pocket gophers (*Thomomys townsendii*).

Bait must be deposited in pocket gophers' underground runways. Do not apply bait above ground. Do not apply this product by means of a burrow-builder machine. Do not apply this product over food or feed crops. Do not expose baits in a manner which presents a hazard to humans, pets, poultry, or livestock. Keep pets, domestic animals, and people not involved with the application out of the treatment area while product is being applied.

**BAITING:** Burrowing pocket gophers throw out low, fan-shaped dirt mounds on either side of their underground runways. Short lateral tunnels connect the mounds to the main runway. Except when a pocket gopher is throwing out dirt, its lateral tunnels are plugged with soil at the mound, often creating a horseshoe-shaped depression. Pocket gophers may be controlled by placing bait in the main runway, after gaining access by removing plugs in lateral tunnels or by probing soil to locate the main runway.



**LATERAL TUNNELS:** With a long-handled spoon or other suitable tool, carefully remove dirt plug. Insert a teaspoonful of bait at the junction of the lateral tunnel and the main runway. Re-close hole, taking care to exclude light and not to allow soil to cover bait. Pick up and properly dispose of any spilled bait.

**PROBING:** With a metal rod or other suitable implement, probe soil 6 to 8 inches around mound, starting from plug side, to locate main runway. When runway is entered, resistance on probe will decrease abruptly. Remove probe and insert a teaspoonful of bait through probe hole (enlarged if necessary). Cover opening with a rock, a clump of soil, or other object that will exclude light. Take care not to permit dirt to cover bait. Pick up and properly dispose of any spilled bait.

**APPLICATION RATE:** Make two to five sets per burrow system, depending upon its apparent size. Depending upon pocket gopher density, one pound of bait will treat one to eight acres.

**NOTICE:** Because RCO Inc. has no control over storage, handling and conditions of use, which are of critical importance, RCO Inc. makes no representation of warranty, either expressed or implied, for results due to misuse, improper handling or storage of this material. Nor does RCO Inc. assume any responsibility for injury to persons, crops, animals, soil or property arising out of misuse, improper handling or storage of this material.

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