

## Application summary

<b>Application number:</b>	ERMA200826, Termidor
<b>Application type:</b>	Rapid Assessment, Importation or manufacture for release, Similar hazard
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<b>Purpose:</b>	To import TERMIDOR, an insect pest control for urban situations.
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Approval is sought, pursuant to section 28 of the HSNO Act 1996, to import the substance Termidor<sup>®</sup> for release. The proposed substance is an insecticide containing the active ingredient fipronil and is similar to a substance already approved for use in New Zealand.

The following hazard classification is indicated for the proposed substance: 6.1D (acute toxicant), 6.3B (skin irritant), 6.4A (eye irritant), 6.9A (target organ systemic toxicant), 9.1A (aquatic ecotoxicant), 9.3B (vertebrate ecotoxicant), 9.4A (invertebrate ecotoxicant).

The proposed substance is intended for use as a dilute spray around buildings and structures in urban situations for the control of certain pests. Although it has a similar hazard profile to that of the reference substance, the potential risks to people and the environment are mitigated by its manner of use. Whereas the reference substance is used in a wide dispersive manner by a broad base of users, the proposed substance will only be used by trained and experienced professional users applying the material in a limited and specific manner around buildings and structures.

The proposed substance will be managed in compliance with the approval controls, the Land Transport Rule 45001, and the New Zealand Standard for the Management of Agrichemicals NZS8409. Information covering identification, safe handling and use, emergency management and disposal will be readily available in the form of the container label, safety data sheet (SDS) and HazNote. Those handling the substance will be trained and experienced personnel. Accordingly, with due care, the hazards and risks associated with the substance can be safely and satisfactorily managed.

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