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New Evopac from Syngenta

Greenkeepers and turf managers in the UK and Ireland will be among the world's first to experience the innovative new Syngenta Evopac packaging this season. The Evopac makes spraying operations simpler and safer, while also being fully compatible with closed transfer systems (CTS) using the easyconnect coupling.

On display for the first time at BTME in Harrogate (21 – 23 January 2025), Evopac and easyconnect offers ease of handling packaging, accurate measuring and fast sprayer filling essential for timely turf applications. The new packaging will start to arrive with turf managers from January 2025, and introduced across the company's range of liquid products over coming months.

Designed in close collaboration with practical sprayer operators in the UK, the Evopac includes a range of features for ease of handling and safe use. It has significant advances for use with conventional measure and pour sprayer filling, as well as the new CTS technology.

The ergonomic pack includes handles that are designed to rotate for left or right-handed operators, as well as being large enough to work easily when wearing protective gloves. The handle design enables operators to easily remove packs from the box, as well as to carry multiple packs.

A translucent pack allows operators to clearly see the contents, along with graduations of measurements marked up→down and down→up – to show remaining contents when pouring manually, or when using upside down on a CTS dispenser to measure part packs. The pack also means operators can visually check that the container has rinsed fully.

When used in conjunction with a CTS - as will increasingly become the norm for operators – products can be transferred direct into the sprayer without the need to open or pour the container manually, thereby eliminating the risk of associated spills or any operator exposure.

The symmetrical Evopac design is balanced and stable when mounted on the CTS. It also facilitates more efficient automatic container rinsing that ensures all the product ends up in the tank and working on the turf, as well as creating clean packaging for 100% recycling. The easyconnect caps on the Evopac are made from the same material as the bottle, so can be left on to drain and recycle together.

Introducing the Evopac, Sarah Hughes, Syngenta Turf Business Managers for the UK & Ireland, said: “Evopac plays a key role in Syngenta’s sustainability responsibilities, as well as providing a better experience for customers.

“Turf protection products can have risks associated with them when it comes to their handling and useage. Evopac and closed transfer systems are an important step in mitigating those risks for operators, customers’ businesses and the environment.”

Leading sprayer operator, Iain Robertson, added: “The features of the Evopac we’re most excited about is the translucent pack, so you can see what’s in the can and check the rinsing after use. The fact that the labels aren’t wrapped all around the can, so you can see the graduations. Plus, you can invert the pack and the graduations still work in both orientations for how much is in there.

“The new caps are fantastic too, as you can either use it as a conventional lid by unscrewing it, or with the CTS unit. No foils, it’s Syngenta standard, but love that. The handles are rigid enough to feel safe lifting them, but pliable enough to fold out of the way. Little grips on the bottom make it easy to handle when you’ve got your PPE on.

“When you use the Evopac in practice, you realise that all the little wish lists as an operator have been ticked. The whole package makes it safer and easier for everyone to use.”

Evopac will become the standard packaging for all Syngenta liquid products for turf supplied in 1, 3, 5 and 10 litre packs.

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