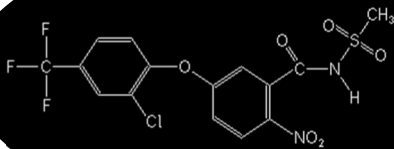


Fomesafen



What is fomesafen?

Fomesafen is an herbicide used to control a variety of weeds.

- ▶ In Wisconsin, fomesafen is used on corn and soybeans.
- ▶ Fomesafen has been detected in private wells and monitoring wells in Wisconsin.

If the level of **fomesafen** in your drinking water is over **25 µg/L**, you should find a way to obtain safe water.

Can fomesafen affect our health?

Animal studies have shown that fomesafen can cause health effects.

- ▶ No studies have evaluated the effect of fomesafen among people.
- ▶ However, studies in research animals show that high levels of fomesafen can affect growth, liver function, reproduction, and immune response.

What can you do to protect your health?

Wisconsin's recommended groundwater standard for fomesafen is 25 µg/L.

If the level of fomesafen in your drinking water is above 25 µg/L, you should find a way to obtain safe water. Options include:

- ▶ Installing a certified treatment device.
- ▶ Drilling a new well.
- ▶ Connecting to a public water system or community well.

µg/L = micrograms per liter equivalent to parts per billion (ppb)



Looking for more information?

- ▶ See the Environmental Protection Agency's [factsheet on fomesafen](#) for more information.
- ▶ Visit the [DHS website](#) to learn more about Wisconsin's recommended groundwater standards.

