

Thank you for purchasing the top selling and most highly regarded landscape color concentrates available today. By taking the time to read this in its entirety you'll be fully equipped to get the very most out of your EnviroColor purchase. If at any point you have questions, please feel free to call us at 678-648-5620. Please visit our website for tutorials, videos and tips.

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- 1 – SHAKE CONCENTRATE WELL EACH TIME BEFORE OPENING
- 2 – ADD WATER TO YOUR SPRAYER
- 3 – ADD CONCENTRATE TO SPRAYER
- 4 – SHAKE SPRAYER WELL, THEN SPRAY ONTO SURFACE
- 5 – RINSE SPRAYER AND NOZZLE IMMEDIATELY WHEN FINISHED

Start out right

The right equipment is key to making it easy to use EnviroColor. We recommend a high quality backpack pump sprayer or a one gallon pump type sprayer. There are several types available ranging in price and features. You'll want to use a sprayer with high quality components, especially a fan type nozzle tip. The fan nozzle will allow you to get the most coverage out of your EnviroColor and allow for even, accurate application.

Once you have decided on your sprayer it's time to get started. We always recommend the use of disposable gloves anytime you are handling EnviroColor to prevent staining on your skin. In the event you get EnviroColor on your hands, wash quickly with soap and water. If it dries, you can clean off any stains on your skin or sprayer with water and Krud Kutter, Gojo, Simple Green or a similar type cleaner. EnviroColor is highly likely to stain your clothing so please keep this in mind when handling it.

Preparing your area to be sprayed

By properly preparing your mulch, pine straw or lawn to be sprayed you'll make the process much simpler and ensure a desired result. Clear any areas to be treated of debris, sticks, leaves, pine cones and other materials that don't belong. If your mulch, pine straw beds or lawn contain any figurines or statues that are easily moved, we'd recommend doing this first to avoid over spray possibly coming in contact with those items.

Next you will want to prepare unmovable items such as plants, trees, shrubs, concrete walk ways, driveways, downspouts, pavers and home foundations by wetting them with water from a hose or an additional sprayer. EnviroColor will only adhere to dry surfaces therefore maintaining a wet or moistened surface on areas you don't wish to be colored, you'll avoid unwanted color adhesion.

If you have areas that are bare or have very little mulch or pine straw we would recommend filling those areas in with material from other areas that have a thicker coverage to ensure a uniformed look. EnviroColor will not color dirt, sand or soil. With the area prepared you are ready to get started!

Mixing EnviroColor

Read the label carefully to ensure the right amount of EnviroColor is added to your sprayer. For our pine straw and mulch colors 3 to 4 ounces to a gallon of water should be used. Our 4EverGreen turf colorant should be mixed at 6 to 12 ounces per gallon of water depending on the shade of green desired. Be certain to shake the EnviroColor container well and carefully open the cap. Fill your sprayer with water to the appropriate level, then add the correct amount of EnviroColor to your sprayer. Next, secure the lid of your sprayer and shake it well to ensure that the EnviroColor concentrate is mixed well into the water. Pressurize your sprayer by pumping several times and listen for any air leaks. If you hear any air leaking from the sprayer, stop, and make certain the lid is securely fastened to the reservoir. When your sprayer is properly pressurized and your EnviroColor is well mixed, you are ready to begin transforming your landscape.

Applying EnviroColor

Start in an inconspicuous area of mulch or pine straw to ensure that the color you have chosen matches your expectations. If you would like to lighten the color or darken the color, add a little more water or concentrate, shake your sprayer and test again. With the sprayer nozzle approximately 6-8" from the surface to be colored, activate the trigger releasing the concentrate. You'll want to keep in the wand in motion at all times to ensure for even coverage.

We recommend using two passes to apply EnviroColor for mulch and pine straw. Spray a small area using a left to right motion; then spray the same area perpendicular to the first the pass. This pattern ensures that as much surface area as possible is evenly covered. While spraying grass color, spray in a single motion left to right in rows; avoid overlapping spray in order to avoid stripes. Exercise caution when spraying near plants, shrubs, trees and other items you don't wish to have treated with EnviroColor. To avoid overspray, you can use a small piece of cardboard to cover any objects from being colored. If you encountered over-spray onto any plants, concrete or buildings, immediately rinse the object with fresh water to prevent the color from sticking.

In the event that the sprayer nozzle tip becomes obstructed simply remove it, rinse it with water and re-attach it. Some sprayers contain a filter on the pickup hose in the bottom of the container, if this becomes clogged, either remove it and rinse it, or remove it entirely.

Finishing the job

With the application complete you're almost done. Check for any over-spray of objects that have unintentionally come in contact with EnviroColor. It can be removed with water if rinsed immediately after spraying, or for tougher stains, use Krud Kutter, Simple Green, Gojo or another similar cleaner to remove stains. EnviroColor should be allowed to 3-4 hours to dry before walking on any treated areas or allowing pets, or children to enter those areas. 24 hours is necessary for EnviroColor to completely cure on to the surface on pine straw, mulch or turf.

Cleaning up

With the job complete it's time to clean up your sprayer before it has time to dry. You'll want to empty any remaining contents inside the sprayer onto an area that won't be negatively impacted by exposure to the concentrate. With your sprayer now empty rinse it clean with water thoroughly until all of the concentrate has been removed from the reservoir.

Next you'll want to fill your clean sprayer with clean water and secure the lid. Pressurize the sprayer and pull the trigger to allow the clean water to flow through the nozzle. Ensuring that the wand and nozzle tip is well rinsed will prolong the life of your sprayer leaving it ready for use in the future.

Touch ups

EnviroColor is perfect for areas that simply need a touch up and can be used as often as you like to achieve the color you desire. Just remember to follow these simple steps to ensure perfect results every time.

Storage of unused concentrate

EnviroColor can be stored for an extended period of time. Ensure that the cap is tight, and don't allow the concentrate to freeze. Before your next use, be sure to shake the concentrate very well.

Helpful Hints

Sprayer Filters

Occasionally pump sprayers will have filters on the supply tube in the reservoir which can hinder spraying. We recommend removing or cleaning that filter prior to mixing to ensure nothing hampers the flow.

Rain/Water

Please keep an eye on the weather before applying EnviroColor. Our concentrates MUST have ample time to completely dry before they are exposed to rain or water of any kind to ensure the longest lasting results. It's always best to error on the side of caution and not apply EnviroColor until you have a window of 24 hours dry weather. Sprinkler systems should be disabled for a minimum of 24 hours. Heavy dew or high humidity will extend drying time and reduce color adhesion and lifespan.

Coverage & Color Density

To ensure you get the proper coverage from EnviroColor please carefully follow the mixing instructions. It is always best to apply the concentrates as per label instructions and to allow the application to dry completely. If a lighter color is desired, use more water in the mixture; if a darker color is desired, a second application can be made using the same concentration. A second application for darker color is not included in the expected coverage. Increasing the amount of concentrate, or reducing the amount of water will lead to extended drying time, greater likelihood of sprayer clogs and reduced coverage.

Raw/green wood chips

Please ensure that raw, never colored mulch is allowed ample time to dry out or "season" prior to applying EnviroColor. This process can take months. New chips or wood chipper mulch contain a very high moisture content which will prevent EnviroColor from curing completely. It is always best to allow new/green mulch to "season" or dry until it turns gray or the individual fibers of the chips become visible – applying EnviroColor to new/green mulch that hasn't been afforded ample time to dry will result in less than desirable results.

Still Have Questions

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