

Get the most out of EnviroColor with these simple steps!

Start out right

The right equipment is key to making it easy when using EnviroColor. We recommend a high quality, one gallon pump type sprayer or a backpack pump sprayer. There are several types available ranging in price and features. You'll want to find 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, a quick wash with mild soap and water should do the trick. If it dries, you can clean off any stains on your skin with water and Gojo, Simple Green or a similar type cleaner. EnviroColor is highly likely to stain your clothing so please keep this in mind when handling our powerful concentrates.

Preparing your mulch to be sprayed

By properly preparing your mulch or pine straw 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 or pine straw beds 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 spraying them with water from the 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 have treated 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. With the area prepared you are ready to get started!

Mixing EnviroColor

Read the label carefully when to ensure the right amount of EnviroColor is added to your sprayer. For our pine straw and mulch colors 4 ounces to a gallon should be used. Our 4EverGreen turf colorant should be mixed at 6 - 12 should be used depending on the color of the turf to be sprayed. Be certain to shake the EnviroColor container well and carefully open the cap. Add the correct amount of EnviroColor to your PRE FILLED sprayer. Next, secure the lid of your sprayer and shake it well to ensure that the EnviroColor concentrate is mixed well in to 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, add a little more water, shake and test again. With the sprayer approximately 6-8" from the surface of your

mulch, 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. 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. Exercise caution when spraying near plants, shrubs, trees and other items you don't wish to have treated with EnviroColor. If you encountered over-spray onto any plants, concrete or buildings, simply rinse the object with fresh water immediately to prevent the color from sticking.

For larger projects be certain to rinse out the sprayer reservoir prior to mixing another preparation of EnviroColor. This step ensures that the second tank contains the same amount of EnviroColor as the first and that the colors will match.

Not all sprayers are created equal. In the event that the sprayer nozzle tip becomes obstructed simply remove it, rinse it with water and re-attach it. In some cases, nozzle tips with smaller openings can become clogged. 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 treated immediately after spraying, or for tougher stains, use Gojo or Simple Green or another similar cleaner to remove stains. EnviroColor should be allowed to 2-3 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 before the concentrate has time to dry. You'll want to empty any remaining contents inside the sprayer in to 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 just as you did when applying your EnviroColor. You'll then want to rinse the sprayer wand and nozzle components by emptying the entire contents of the sprayer through the tip. Ensuring that the wand and nozzle tip is well rinsed will prolong the life of your sprayer leaving 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 deserve. Just remember to follow these simple steps to ensure perfect results every time.