

Safety Warning regarding the J K Injection System (“the Product”).

This safety warning shall include all parts of the J K Injection System, including replacement parts, attachments, items ancillary to the J K Injection System and commercial products embodying future improvements to the J K Injection System. The manufacturer of the Product is J K International LLC, a Limited Liability Company whose principal place of business is at 5027 136th Street SE, Snohomish, Washington, 98296.

The distributor of the Product is Stem Injection Systems (Europe) Ltd, company registered number 6052348, whose principal place of business is at Houldsworth Mill, Houldsworth Street, Stockport, SK5 6DA, England.

The Product must only be used with the herbicides approved for use in hand held applicators. The Herbicide should only be used in accordance with its manufacturer’s instructions and guidance. The Herbicide does not form part of and is not supplied with the Product and neither the manufacturer nor the distributor of the Product accept any responsibility or liability for any defect, loss, damage or injury caused by the Herbicide.

The Product is to be used solely for the purpose of injecting the Herbicide into hollow stem weeds listed below and referred to throughout as “the Specified Weeds”.

- Japanese Knotweed
- Giant Hogweed
- Canada Thistle
- Poison Hemlock
- Yellow Flag Iris
- Himalayan Balsam

The Product must not be used in any other way unless prior authorisation in writing is granted by Stem Injection Systems (Europe) Ltd. A failure to comply with this warning may result in serious injury, death or other damage.

The Product is to be used only by professionals who are trained and qualified in the use of pesticide and herbicide spraying techniques.

The Product should not be used to apply herbicide, pesticide or any other substance to any plant or vegetation other than the Specified Weeds. A failure to comply with this warning will result in damage being caused to the plant or vegetation in question.

Do not use the Product to inject, store, spray, spread or in any other way apply the Herbicide to anything other than the Specified Weeds.

Do not use the Product to spray or apply any substance towards or on the human body. To do so may cause serious injury, death or other damage.

The Product must be used with extreme caution. The injector system is sharp and can puncture or cut skin if used improperly. If the skin is punctured the Herbicide may cause poisoning to the body resulting in serious injury, death or other damage. Urgent medical attention must be sought by a user or third party who receives injury from the Product.

Do not use the Product as a gun or in any illegal or harmful way as to do so may cause a danger to health, including death to the user or a third party.

Do not use the Product to threaten or in any way make contact with another person, livestock or animal. Failure to comply with this warning may result in injury or death to the user or third party.

Do not allow animals, children or anyone who is not fully qualified in the use of pesticides and herbicides in to contact with the Product.

When using the Product, the user must at all times wear full protective clothing and goggles. No area of the skin or body must be allowed to come into physical contact with the Product.

The Product contains moving parts. Care must be taken to avoid fingers or any other part of the body becoming trapped in the moving parts.

The Product must not be used to inject any substance or matter into water or any form of water supply, pool, reservoir, lake, river or other body of water.

The Product should be calibrated to the Herbicide manufacturer's guidelines and checked before each application.

In the event that insufficient Herbicide is used then its application will not be successful.

In the event that excessive amounts of the Herbicide are used then contamination to the soil may be caused.

The operator must follow the Herbicide manufacturer's minimum guidelines in the use of protective clothing (PPC).

Full PPC should be worn at all times whilst handling the Product including whilst cleaning.

A full risk assessment should be completed prior to each application.

When handling the Product, before, during and after use, protective gloves, overalls and face protector should be used as a minimum, even when equipment is empty. Herbicidal residue may still be present even after cleaning.

Ensure that when filling canisters, it is done in a protected environment and carry out a risk assessment before completing the task. Ensure that no spillage can occur, and keep away from water including drainage channels. Also keep away from members of the public and always wear protective clothing including face masks. Always report all spillages to the appropriate authorities and take preventative measures to stop contamination.

Never eat, smoke or drink when using the Product.

The Product should be stored in its protective case when not in use and kept away from children and animals. The Product must always be stored in a safe place. A failure to do so may cause injury or death.

Needles should only be installed into the Product when on site and ready to commence use.

Needles should be removed and stored in the plastic protective phial when injection is complete or halted.

Care should be taken when assembling equipment and parts should not be forced together. Do not over tighten canister but ensure seal is secure.

The Product should be holstered when being moved or carried.

The correct needle should be used for the appropriate conditions and application.

Needles should be inserted and locked into injection system with the hole pointing down.

The injection system should be triple rinsed after use or rinsed in accordance with COSHH regulations, whichever imposes the higher duty of care, and waste disposed of in a secure manner in accordance with the Herbicide manufacturer's guidelines.

The Product should be cleaned with water after each application, including the holster.

Seals should be inspected and cleaned after each application.

Worn and damaged parts should be reported and replaced immediately.

The Product should be serviced on a regular basis by a qualified member of staff.

Dispose of used needles in the accompanying plastic phial and keep in a marked, sealed container, such as a Chem Safe. Dispose in an appropriate, controlled manner.

Dispose of replaced parts in the accompanying plastic phial and keep in a marked, sealed container, such as a Chem Safe. Dispose in an appropriate, controlled manner.

In the event that a needle snaps, cracks or becomes defective in any way, remove with pliers only to avoid serious injury.

The optimum time for injecting the Specified Weeds is from June until the first frost each calendar year. Canes may split if injected prior to June.

Inject Japanese Knotweed in canes that are 3/4 inch or larger between 1st and 2nd node above root crown.

Damage, personal injury or death may result unless all of the warnings and recommendations above are followed.