

Herbicides for Commercial Truck Crops—1971

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Herbicides are a valuable "tool" for the vegetable producer in his constant battle against weeds. Weeds not only compete with vegetables for light, moisture and nutrients, but also may harbor insects and diseases. In many situations herbicides are the most economical means of controlling weeds. In some situations herbicides may be the only practical means of controlling weeds. However, other methods of weed control (cultivation, mulching) may prove economical or practical in still other situations.

In the chart below are listed herbicides most likely to give satisfactory results under Missouri conditions. Herbicides other than those listed may prove equally effective if they have label approval for the particular vegetable, but they should be used on a limited scale until safety

and effectiveness is determined for your specific soil and environmental conditions.

Herbicide effectiveness is largely dependent upon; 1) temperature, 2) moisture, 3) soil type, 4) weed or grass species, and 5) rate and method of application. Therefore, read the label on the container and understand all the factors leading to the safe and effective use of each herbicide.

The chart below lists the vegetable crop, the common name of the herbicides suggested for use, the weeds controlled, and the time of application. Trade names are in parenthesis. For rates to use, methods of application and special considerations--READ THE LABEL!

Crop	Chemical	Weeds Controlled	Time of Application
Asparagus established beds	monuron (Telvar)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Prior to emergence of spears; if needed, an application post-harvest.
	simazine (Princep)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Prior to emergence of spears; if needed, an application post-harvest.
	dalapon (Dowpon)	perennial grasses	Apply as spot spray.
Beans snap	D CPA (Dacthal)	annual grasses; broad- leaved weeds (not smart- weed or ragweed)	Pre-emergence.
	E P T C (Eptam)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Pre-planting with soil incorporation.
	C D E C (Vegadex)	most annual broadleaved weeds; and annual grasses	Pre-emergence.
	Trifluralin (Treflan)	all annual grasses; many broadleaved weeds	Pre-emergence (soil incorpor- ated prior to planting, at planting or immediately after planting).
Cole Crops broccoli cabbage cauliflower	D CPA (Dacthal)	annual grasses; broad- leaved weeds (not smart- weed or ragweed)	Pre-emergence or after transplanting.
	C D E C (Vegadex)	annual grasses; broad- leaved weeds	Pre-emergence or after transplanting.

Crop	Chemical	Weeds Controlled	Time of Application
Cucurbits cantaloupe cucumber watermelon	NPA (Alanap-3)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Pre-emergence; post emergence before vining.
	DCPA (Dacthal)	annual grasses; most broadleaved weeds	At vining (4-6 weeks after seeding).
	bensulide (Prefar)	annual grasses	Pre-plant with soil incorporation).
pumpkin squash	amiben (Amiben, Vegiben)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Pre-emergence.
Greens & Salad Crops	CDEC (Vegadex)	annual grasses, broad- leaved weeds	Pre-emergence.
collards, endive, escarole, kale, lettuce, mustard, spinach, turnip	DCPA (Dacthal)	annual grasses; most broadleaved weeds	Pre-emergence. Do not use on spinach, endive, escarole.
Onions seeded	DCPA (Dacthal)	annual grasses; some broadleaved weeds	Pre-emergence.
	Petroleum solvent (Stoddard Solvent)	annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Up to loop stage on onion seedling.
sets	DCPA (Dacthal)	annual grasses; some broadleaved weeds	Pre- or post-emergent.
	CIPC (Chloro IPC)	esp. where smartweed a problem	Pre-emergence.
Pepper	amiben (granular) (Amiben, Vegiben)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	After transplanting.
	diphenamid (Dymid, Enide)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	After transplanting.
	Trifluralin (Treflan)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Incorporate before transplanting.
Potato	diphenamid (Dymid, Enide)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Pre-emergence or post- emergence.
	EPTC (Eptam)	annual grasses and some broadleaved weeds	Pre-planting with soil incorporation; or lay-by application.
Sweet Corn	atrazine (Aatrex)	annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Pre-emergence. Do not replant treated area to any crop other than corn during the remainder of the growing season.
	simazine (Princep)	annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Pre-emergence. Do not replant treated area to any other crop other than corn during the remainder of the growing season.
	propachlor (Ramrod)	annual grasses and broadleaved weeds	Pre-emergence.
Sweet Potato	amiben (granular) (Amiben, Vegiben)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	After transplanting.
	diphenamid (Dymid, Enide)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	After transplanting.
Tomato	amiben (granular) (Amiben, Vegiben)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	After transplanting or at lay-by.
(*Note: Injury to tomatoes possible under conditions of heavy rainfall)	diphenamid (Dymid, Enide)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Within one month after transplanting.
	trifluralin (Treflan)	most annual broadleaved weeds and grasses	Incorporate before transplanting.

