2020/2021 Mid-Atlantic Commercial Vegetable Production Recommendations

Critical Updates, January 2021

Chapter B. Soil and Nutrient Management

Table B-4.
Soil Test Categories for Nutrients Extracted by Mehlich 3 and Mehlich 1 – University of Delaware (UD)

| Soil Test Category | UD Fertility Index Value (FIV) | Phosphorus (P) | Potassium (K) | Magnesium (Mg) | Calcium (Ca) |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| | | Mehlich 3 Soil Test V | alue (lb/A) | | |
| Low | 0-25 | 0 - 50 | 0 – 91 | 0 – 65 | 0 – 500 |
| Medium | 26 - 50 | 51 – 100 | 92 – 182 | 66 – 131 | 501 – 1000 |
| Optimum (High) | 51 – 100 | 101 - 200 | 183 – 364 | 123 – 262 | 1001 – 2000 |
| Excessive | 101+ | 201+ | 365+ | 263+ | 2001+ |
| (Very High) | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | Mehlich 1 Soil Test V | alue (lb/A) | | |
| Low | 0-25 | 0 - 25 | 0 – 70 | 0 – 55 | 0 – 450 |
| Medium | 26 - 50 | 26 - 50 | 71 – 140 | 56 – 110 | 451 – 900 |
| Optimum (High) | 51 – 100 | 51 – 100 | 141 – 280 | 111 – 220 | 901 – 1800 |
| Excessive | 101+ | 101+ | 281+ | 221+ | 1801+ |
| (Very High) | | | | | |

Soil Test Category Interpretation – University of Delaware (UD)

| Soil Test Category | UD Fertility Index Value (FIV) | Interpretation |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Low | 0-25 | The nutrient concentration in the soil is inadequate for the growth of most plants and will very likely limit plant growth and yield. There is a high probability of a favorable economic response to additions of the nutrient. |
| Medium | 26-50 | The nutrient concentration in the soil may be adequate for plant growth, but should be increased into the optimum range to ensure that plant growth and yield are not limited. There is a low to moderate probability of a favorable economic response to additions of the nutrient. |
| Optimum (High) | 51-100 | The nutrient concentration in the soil is in the range recommended for the growth of all plants. Since there is a very low probability of a favorable economic response, nutrient additions are rarely recommended. |
| Excessive (Very High) | 101+ | The nutrient concentration in the soil is above the range recommended for the growth of all plants. Additions of the nutrient will be unprofitable, may have undesirable effects on plant growth, and hence are not recommended. Erosion and runoff from soils that are excessive in phosphorus (P) can have negative effects on surface water quality. |

Chapter F. Commodity Recommendations

Additional Variety Recommendations

Beans recommended:

| Snap | Variety | Color | Length | Sieve | Use | Days | Heat | Reported Disease Resistance | | | | | | |
|-------|---------|-------|--------|-------|-----|------|------|-----------------------------|------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|
| Beans | | | (inch) | Size | | | Tol. | BCMV | BCTV | Cl | Ua | Psp | Xap | Pss |
| | Bridger | MDG | 5.5 | 4-5 | F,P | 52 | yes | R | R | | | I | | I |

Celerv

-not recommended: Conga

Cole Crops recommended:

| В | Broccoli | Variety | F1 | Days | BR | DM | HS | Cold | Heat | S/F |
|---|----------|---------|-----|------|----|----|----|------|------|-----|
| | | Abrams | Yes | 78 | | | | | yes | S,F |

| | Variety | Hybrid | Color | Days | Self Wrapping |
|-------------|----------|--------|-------|------|---------------|
| Cauliflower | Alcala | Yes | White | 79 | Yes |
| | Bermeo | Yes | White | 69 | Yes |
| | Flamenco | Yes | White | 75 | Yes |

Leeks

-recommended: Rally (F1)

-not recommended: Megaton, Runner and Takrima.

Muskmelons and Mixed Melons

-recommended: Mixed Melons/Canary - Natal (5 lb; PM 1,2;FW 1,2) -not recommended: Muskmelons - Strike; Mixed Melons/Canary - Halo

Onions

Long Day

-recommended: Legend (hybrid, 120, Storage, LD, Sp, yellow, long, DS, TP, L) -not recommended: Fortress, Montero, Southport Red Globe, SV4058NV, Vision

Intermediate Day

-recommended: Highlander (Yes, 90, Sweet Spanish, Yellow, short/medium, TP, L)

Great White (yes, 103, Sweet Spanish, white, medium, TP, L)

-not recommended: Cimarron, Mt. Whitney

Overwinter

-corrections: Bridger, storage (medium), method (DS/TP), and size (M-L) -recommended: T-448 (yes, n/a, storage, yellow, medium, DS, TP, L)

-not recommended: Hi-Keeper, Toughball, T-420

Peppers

-not recommended: Paladin or Playmaker

Pumpkins and Winter Squash

Pumpkins, 1-3 pounds

-recommended: Little Giant* (PMT) -not recommended: Rockafellow

Pumpkins, 10-20 pounds

-recommended: Hermes* (PMT), Carbonado Gold* (PMT)

-<u>not</u> recommended: Bus Stop Winter Squash/Acorn Type

-recommended: Golden (insert in variety table after Table Gold)

Celebration* (PMT, specialty) (insert in variety table after Autumn Delight*(PMT))

-<u>not</u> recommended: Table Queen Winter Squash/Spaghetti Squash -not recommended: Tivoli

Winter Squash/Processing

-recommended: Atlas*, Genesis* and other Butternut Types

Tomatoes recommended:

| | Variety | Color | Season | Culture | Use | Disease Resistance | Plant Habit |
|------------|-------------|-------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------------------|----------------|
| 7 5 | Bella Rosa | Red | Mid | Field | DM, LW, S | V,F,Asc,Gls,Tswv | D |
| Tomatoes | Red Snapper | Red | Mid, Late | Field | DM, LW, S | V,F,Asc,Gls,Tswv,Tylc | D |
| | STM 2255 | Red | Early | Field | DM, LW, S | V,F,Asc,Gls,Tswv,Tylc | D |
| | SV 7101 | Red | Late | Field | DM, LW, S | V,F,Asc,Gls,Tswv | D |

Watermelons recommended:

| Seedless | Variety | Season | Disease | Size (lb) | Shape | Flesh | Rind Description |
|------------|--------------|--------|------------|-----------|--------|-------|--|
| Watermelon | | | Resistance | | | Color | |
| | Cracker Jack | Mid | Fon1 IR | 15-19 | oblong | Red | Medium green with dark green stripes |
| | Guardsman | Mid | Co1, Fon | 14-19 | oblong | Red | Medium green with dark green stripes |
| | Shoreline | Late | | 16-18 | oblong | Red | Medium green with dark mottled stripes |

Chapter F. Weed Control

Universal Changes

-Gramoxone SL 3 formulation; rates will be lower than Gramoxone SL 2. Refer to label for rates.

Crop Specific Changes

Beans (Snap and Lima)

| 13 | Command 3ME | 4 to 6 fl oz/A | clomazone | 0.094 to 0.14 lb/A | 45 | 12 | | |
|-------|-------------|----------------|-----------|--------------------|----|----|--|--|
| I'. 1 | | | | | | | | |

⁻Lima beans only. Special Local Needs Label 24(c) has been approved for the use of Command in DE, MD, NJ, and VA (expires 4/29/2025 in DE; 12/31/2025 in MD; 12/31/2024 in VA; 12/31/2022 in NJ).

-Observe all precautions. Maximum number of applications per season: 1.

Cole Crops

-Select Max rate range is from 9 to 16 fl oz/A (0.068 to 0.12 lb ai/A) rather than 12 to 16 fl oz as currently listed.

Muskmelons and Mixed Melons

-Select Max rate range is from 9 to 16 fl oz/A (0.068 to 0.12 lb ai/A) rather than 12 to 16 fl oz as currently listed.

Peppers

-Reflex: 24c in NJ for transplanted peppers (bell, chile, cooking, and sweet). Labeled for pre-transplant application in bareground and under plastic mulch. Refer to label for use instructions.

Potatoes

- Select Max rate range is from 9 to 16 fl oz/A (0.068 to 0.12 lb ai/A) rather than 12 to 16 fl oz as currently listed.

| 3 | Sonalan HFP 3EC | 1.3 to 2.67 | ethalfluralin | 0.49 to 1.0 lb/A | 24 |
|---|-----------------|-------------|---------------|------------------|--------|

- -Supplemental labeling expires September 1, 2023.
- -Apply after planting but before potato emergence.
- -Use lower rates on coarse-textured soils and higher rates on medium- and fine-textured soil.
- -Must be incorporated for maximum effectiveness. Rainfall or irrigation (0.5 to 1 inch) is sufficient for incorporation. If rainfall or irrigation does not occur within 2 days of application, mechanical incorporation in the to 2 to 3 inches of soil is recommended.
- -Ensure incorporation equipment does not damage seed pieces or elongating sprouts.
- -Sonalan controls certain broadleaf weeds and annual grasses. Does not control yellow nutsedge, and only provides suppression of eastern black nightshade. Maximum application is 2.67 pt/A/season.

⁻Apply to suppress annual grasses and certain broadleaf weeds including common lambsquarters, velvetleaf, spurred anoda, and jimsonweed. Use the lower rate on coarse-textured soils low in organic matter and higher rates on fine-textured soils and on soils with high organic matter. Some temporary crop injury (partial whitening of leaf or stem tissue) may be apparent after crop emergence; beans recover from minor early injury without affecting yield or earliness.

Pumpkins and Winter Squash

- -Reflex 24c label for Pumpkin now includes NJ, refer to label for use instructions.
- Select Max rate range is from 9 to 16 fl oz/A (0.068 to 0.12 lb ai/A) rather than 12 to 16 fl oz as currently listed.

Strawberries

- Select Max rate range is from 9 to 16 fl oz/A (0.068 to 0.12 lb ai/A) rather than 12 to 16 fl oz as currently listed.

Summer Squash Reflex 24c label includes NJ; refer to label for use instructions.

Sweet Corn

-Under entries for Impact and Laudis, precaution regarding mesotrione preemergence should be amended to state: Local experience has not seen issues with postemergence application if mesotrione (*e.g.*, Callisto, Lumax, Lexar, Acuron) was used preemergence; however not all sweet corn hybrids have been tested.

| -Early POST Application | | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Timing. Note if tankmixing | | | |
| use the most restrictive | | | |
| timing. | | | |
| Herbicide | Timing | Premix Herbicides | Timing |
| Prowl 3.3 E / Prowl H20 | up to 24 inches or V8* | Bicep | up to 12 inches |
| Atrazine | before corn is 12 inches | Harness Xtra | not allowed |
| Dual II Magnum | up to 40 inches | Keystone NXT | not allowed |
| Harness 7E | before corn is 12 inches | Acuron | not allowed |
| Surpass NXT | not allowed | Acuron Flexi | not allowed |
| Outlook | before corn is 12 inches | Lexar | not allowed |
| Zidua | up to V4 stage | Lumax | not allowed |
| Anthem Flex / Anthem Max | through the V4 stage | | |
| Callisto | up to 30 inches or 8 leaves* | | |

^{*}Use whichever criteria is more restrictive

Add:

| Sinate 2.48 | 0.1 lb topramezone | 27 | 21 fl oz | 0.0164 lb topramezone | 0.75 fl oz Impact 2.8SC |
|-------------|---------------------|----|----------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| | 2.47 lb glufosinate | 10 | | 0.4 lb glufosinate | 21.9 fl oz Liberty 2.34L |

⁻For use only with LibertyLink sweet corn hybrids. Application up to V6 stage

Sweet Potatoes

- -Maximum rate of Valor SX rate is 3 oz/A
- -Add Valor EZ at a use rate of 3 fl oz
- Select Max rate range is from 9 to 16 fl oz/A (0.068 to 0.12 lb ai/A) rather than 12 to 16 fl oz as currently listed.

Tomatoes

- -Reflex 24c now includes NJ, refer to label for use instructions.
- Select Max rate range is from 9 to 16 fl oz/A (0.068 to 0.12 lb ai/A) rather than 12 to 16 fl oz as currently listed.

Watermelons

- Reflex 24c now includes NJ, refer to label for use instructions.
- Select Max rate range is from 9 to 16 fl oz/A (0.068 to 0.12 lb ai/A) rather than 12 to 16 fl oz as currently listed.

⁻Do not apply within 50 days of harvesting

⁻Only one application per year is allowed

Chapter F. Insect Control

- 1. **Proclaim (emamectin benzoate, MOA group 6)** is labeled for Lepidopteran pests of all cucurbits including cucumber, summer squash, winter squash, and watermelon at a rate of 3.0 to 4.8 oz/A.
- 2. **Agri-Mek SC** (abamectin, MOA group 6) is labeled for spider mite and leafminer pests of legume vegetables at a rate of 1.7 to 3.5 fl oz/A.
- 3. FMC is reformulating **chlorantraniliprole** into a new product called **Vantacor**. Its concentration is greater than **Coragen**, but use rates are lower. It is labeled for onions, sweet corn, legumes, potatoes, root and tuber vegetables, and edamame.
- 4. **Senstar (pyriproxyfen + spirotetramat)** is labeled for aphid, thrips, and whitefly control in brassicas, carrot, fruiting vegetables, leafy vegetables, legume vegetables, onions, and tuberous and corm vegetables.
- 5. **Sivanto HL** is now being marketed by Bayer. It is twice as concentrated as **Sivanto Prime**. It does not contain the same level of adjuvants as Sivanto Prime.
- 6. **Zeal SC** is now labeled for sweet corn for two spotted spider mite control at a rate of 2.0 to 6.0 fl oz/A.
- 7. Corteva is no longer manufacturing **chlorpyrifos** (**Lorsban**).
- 8. **Elevest (bifenthrin + chlorantraniliprole)** is now labeled for various crops, including sweet corn, succulent and dried legumes, root, tuber, and corm vegetables, and potato.

Chapter F. Disease Control

Strawberries

New disease

Neopestalotiopsis was found on strawberry plug plants distributed to several states in the Mid-Atlantic region in 2020, resulting in some infected plantings. Foliar symptoms consist of tan leaf lesions that progress rapidly under moist conditions, and collapsed plants if the fungus invades the crown area. Fruit lesions start out tan but develop black sporulation in the center and could be mistaken for anthracnose fruit rot. Infected fruit may be seen in 2021 along with a progression of foliar and crown symptoms. See paragraph regarding Thiram SC 2(ee) recommendation.

Thiram SC 2(ee) recommendation for Neopestalotiopsis

Thiram is partially effective against Neopestalotiopsis on strawberries, and a 2(ee) label has been issued for use on this disease. The use rate is 2.5 qt/A, applications are allowed every 7 to 10 days with a maximum of 12 applications per year (limit of 5 applications per year in areas west of the Mississippi River). The PHI and REI are both 24 hours. Multiple applications will be needed. Thiram is effective on gray mold and has some efficacy on anthracnose. Other materials applied for anthracnose fruit rot such as Switch and Miravis Prime have shown some efficacy against Neopestalotiopsis according to trials in FL.

Miravis Prime for common diseases

Miravis Prime (active ingredients pydiflumetofen and fludioxinil, groups 7 and 12, respectively) is labeled for use on strawberries for gray mold, powdery mildew, and anthracnose. Resistance development is always a concern for single-site products including this one, so only two applications may be made per year at the maximum rate and each application must be alternated with products from other fungicide groups. The use rate is 9.1 to 13.4 fl oz/A for gray mold and powdery mildew, and 11.4 to 13.4 fl oz/A for anthracnose, with a PHI of 0 days, and an REI of 12 hours.