

2026/2027
Mid-Atlantic Commercial Vegetable
Production Recommendations



F. Commodity Recommendations

Pesticide Use Disclaimer

THE LABEL IS THE LAW

A pesticide applicator is legally bound by the labeling found on and with the pesticide container in their possession. Before using a pesticide, check and always follow the labeling distributed with the product at the point of sale for legally enforceable rates and use restrictions and precautions.

Although labels are available on the Internet from electronic label services such as Proagrica's CDMS (<https://www.cdms.net/>), Greenbook (<https://www.greenbook.net/>), or Agworld DBX powered by Agrian (<https://www.agrian.com/labelcenter/results.cfm>) the information contained in these electronic labels may not be identical to the labeling distributed with the product. **Please be advised that these electronic label services provide use disclaimers, and in some cases legally binding *User Agreements* assigning ALL liability to user of service.** (See section D 3.1. Labels and Labeling for more detail.)

Guide to the Recommended Pesticide Tables in the Following Crop Sections:

1. Pesticides are listed by **group number or code based on chemical structure and mechanism of action**, as classified by the Herbicide Resistance Action Committee (HRAC, <https://hracglobal.com>) for herbicides, the Insecticide Resistance Action Committee (IRAC, <https://irac-online.org>) for insecticides, and the Fungicide Resistance Action Committee (FRAC, <https://www.frac.info/>) for fungicides. **In this guide, if the group number or code is in bold font, there are resistance concerns for the product.**
2. **Restricted use pesticides** are marked with a * in the Tables. These products may only be used by certified and/or licensed pesticide applicators, and when stated on the label, those making applications under their direct supervision. Some labels may restrict use solely to certified and/or licensed applicators. (See section D 3.2.1 Restricted Use Classification Statement for more detail).
3. **In addition to the pesticide products listed in the Commodity Recommendations below, other formulations or brands with the same active ingredient(s) may be commercially available. ALWAYS CHECK THE LABELING ON THE PRODUCT CONTAINER ITSELF:**
 - a) to ensure a pesticide is labeled for the same intended use,
 - b) to ensure the pesticide is labeled for the desired crop,
 - c) for differences in application rates and % active ingredient(s), and
 - d) additional restrictions.
4. All pesticide recommendations contained in this document are prescribed for spray applications to a **broadcast area of 1 acre** (43,560 square feet). **Adjust the rate accordingly for banded applications** (See section E 1.3. Calibrating Granular Applicators) **or for chemigation** (check labels for amounts per 1,000 feet).
5. Check the physical product label for and do not exceed the maximum amount of pesticide *per application* and the maximum number of applications *per year*.
6. **Bee Toxicity Rating (Bee TR):** N=nontoxic; L=minimum impact on bees; M=moderately toxic, can be used if dosage, timing, and method of application are correct, but should NOT be applied directly to the crop if bees are present; H=highly toxic, severe losses expected, -- = data not available.
7. In accordance with the USDA National Organic Program, the Organic Materials Research Institute (OMRI) maintains a directory of all products that OMRI has determined are allowed for use in organic production, processing, and handling. These products are catalogued online in the **OMRI Products List** (see <https://www.omri.org/omri-lists>).

If you are having a **medical emergency** after using pesticides, always **call 911** immediately.



In Case of an Accident

- Remove the person from exposure
- Get away from the treated or contaminated area immediately
- Remove contaminated clothing
- Wash with soap and clean water
- Call a physician and/or the National Poison Control Center (1-800-222-1222).
Your call will be routed to your State Poison Control Center.
- **Have the pesticide label with you!**
- Be prepared to give the **EPA registration number** to the responding center/agency

Garlic

Recommended Varieties

Obtain the best strains of Italian or German “Rocamboles” garlic (late or pink-skinned type), Polish softneck types that will braid (no hard seed stalk), or Elephant types from a reputable agriculture products vendor or a local grower who has had success with fall-planted garlic. A locally grown strain will be hardy and may overwinter better than many commercially available strains. Avoid Creole garlics (also called Early, Louisiana, White Mexican, etc.), since they are not very winter-hardy and do not keep well.

Bulbs of both Creole and Italian garlic have a white outer skin, but the Italian type has a pink skin around each clove. Elephant garlic (*Allium ampeloprasum*) is a type of leek that produces bulbils, is milder than regular garlic, and up to four times larger. However, Elephant garlic may not yield well when fall-planted in areas with severe cold or extensive freezing and thawing cycles, which cause heaving. The Italian and Elephant types take about 220 days to mature.

Many of the most productive Italian garlic strains will produce seed stalks prior to harvest. Snap these seed stalks just as they begin to coil for the best yields. “Rocamboles” types have coiled seed stalks that are perfectly normal and not the result of any poor cultural practice or herbicide contamination.

Recommended Nutrients Based on Soil Tests

In addition to using the table below, check the suggestions on rate, timing, and placement of nutrients in your soil test report and Chapter B Soil and Nutrient Management. Your state’s soil test report recommendations and/or your farm’s nutrient management plan supersede the recommendations found below.

| Garlic ¹ | N (lb/A) | Soil Phosphorus Level | | | | Soil Potassium Level | | | | Nutrient Timing and Method |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----|------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----|------------|-----------|---|
| | | Low | Med | High (Opt) | Very High | Low | Med | High (Opt) | Very High | |
| | | P ₂ O ₅ (lb/A) | | | | K ₂ O (lb/A) | | | | |
| | 125 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 0 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 0 | Total nutrient recommended |
| | 75 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 0 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 0 | Broadcast and disk-in |
| | 25 ² | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Topdress ² when 6 inches tall (March 15) |
| | 25 ² | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Topdress ² 6 weeks after first split (May 1) |

¹Apply a total of 25-30 lb/A of sulfur (S) for most soils.

²Apply all topdressing at mid-day when plants are dry to reduce the chance of burn. Use ammonium sulfate for the second topdressing to help with pungency.

Planting

Garlic cloves should be planted in mid-October in central PA. They could be planted up to 10 days earlier in cool, short-season areas and up to 3 weeks later in warm, long-season areas. Growers should plant as late as possible to escape damage from the fall generation of the allium leafminer if present in the growing area (See “Allium Leafminers” in Insect Control section.) Yield tends to increase with the size of the mother bulb. Do **not** use the following for planting: long, slender cloves in the center of the bulb, cloves weighing less than 1 gram, or bulbs with side growths and very poor skin covering of cloves.

Garlic must be exposed to temperatures between 32-50°F (0-10°C) for about 2 months prior to the long day-length periods that induce bulbing. Fall-planted garlic establishes an excellent root system and receives a natural cold treatment that produces the highest possible garlic yields. Spring-planted garlic (e.g., Elephant type) may be successful where it can be planted by early March.

Spacing

Cloves should be planted 4 by 4 inches apart in triple rows or multiple beds 16-18 inches apart. Between-row spacing depends on the equipment available. Clove tops should be covered with 1-1½ inches of soil. Cloves must not be so deep that the soil will interfere with the growth of the bulbs, nor so shallow that rain, heaving from alternate freezing and thawing, and birds may dislodge them. Cloves placed with the root end down give optimum results. Cloves dropped into furrows will be in various positions and may produce plants with crooked necks.

Harvest and Post-Harvest Considerations

Fall-planted garlic is ready for harvesting about the second week in July when 40-60% of the leaves have yellowed (garlic generally has 6 leaves). When plants reach this stage pull a sample. There are only about 10-14 days for optimum harvest, when each clove is fully segmented and yet fully covered by a tight outer skin. Before the optimum harvest time, garlic is unsegmented like an onion. After the optimum time, cloves may have separated, the outer sheath split, and part of the naked cloves may be exposed.

Run a cutter bar under the bulbs to cut the extensive root system and partially lift the bulbs. Bulbs can be pulled and gathered into windrows. Tops are placed uppermost in the windrow to protect bulbs from the sun. Garlic is left in the field for a week or more to dry or cure thoroughly. Curing can also be accomplished in a well-ventilated shed or barn. Use this option when rain is forecast. Bulbs must be thoroughly dried before being shipped or stored.

After curing, remove the outer loose portions of the sheath, and trim the roots close to the bulbs. Braid or bunch the tops together or cut off the tops and bag the bulbs like dry onions. Discard diseased and damaged bulbs.

When properly cured, garlic keeps well under a wide range of temperatures. Temporary storage in open-mesh sacks in a dry, well-ventilated storage room at 60-90°F is acceptable. However, storage at 32-35°F and 65% relative humidity (the same conditions as required for onions) is best. Avoid prolonged storage near 40°F to prevent sprouting of cloves, and avoid a relative humidity above 70% to prevent sprouting and development of mold. Do not store bulbs for planting next fall below 50°F to prevent vernalization of the cloves.

If dry bulb mites have been a problem, garlic bulbs should be handled as follows: after a brief period of field drying, move the crop into a high tunnel for 7 to 14 days to complete drying. Use shade cloth to keep the bulbs from getting too hot and the bulbs should be cut from the stems before drying. When drying is done, move the bulbs indoors and store at 70°F and 70% relative humidity. Avoid temperatures above 80°F. For direct marketing the bulbs can be stored below 40°F and removed from cold storage just before selling.

Marketing

New growers should develop a local retail market (roadside stands, night markets, and gourmet restaurants), wholesale shipper, or processing market before planting. The demand for garlic is increasing due to recent reports about its health and medical benefits.

Weed Control

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Recommended Herbicides

1. Identify the weeds in each field and select recommended herbicides. More information is available in the "Herbicide Effectiveness on Common Weeds in Vegetables" (Table E-3) in Chapter E Pest Management.
2. Minimize herbicide resistance development. Identify the herbicide mode of action group number and follow recommended good management practices; **bolded group numbers in tables below are herbicides at higher risk for selecting resistant weed populations.** Include non-chemical weed control whenever possible.

| 1. Soil-Applied (Preplant Incorporated or Preemergence) | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|
| Group | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient | Active Ingredient Rate | PHI (d) | REI (h) |
| 8 | Prefar 4E | 5 to 6 qt/A | bensulide | 5 to 6 lb/A | -- | 12 |
| -Labeled for preplant incorporated or preemergence applications; do not incorporate more than 2 inches deep (1 inch is optimum). -If applied preemergence, irrigate within 36 h of application with ½ inch of water; if not incorporated with irrigation or rainfall within 36 h, weed control maybe reduced. -Provides control/suppression of some annual grass weeds and some broadleaves including pigweeds, purslane, and lambsquarters. - Do not apply more than 6 lb ai/A per season. | | | | | | |
| 27 | Optogen 1.67 | 2.6 to 3.5 fl oz/A | bicyclopyrone | 0.034 to 0.046 lb/A | 45 | 24 |
| -Labeled for transplants only. DO NOT USE ON MINERAL SOILS. -Apply prior to transplanting and avoid moving treated soil during transplanting. -No local experience with Optogen as a soil-applied herbicide. -Do not make more than one application per year. | | | | | | |

| 2. Postemergence | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|
| Group | Product Name (*Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient | Active Ingredient Rate | PHI (d) | REI (h) |
| 1 | Shadow 3EC | 4 to 5.33 fl oz/A | clethodim | 0.07 to 0.125 lb/A | 45 | 24 |
| | Select 2EC | 6 to 8 fl oz/A | | 0.07 to 0.125 lb/A | | |
| | Select Max 0.97EC | 9 to 32 fl oz/A | | 0.07 to 0.25 lb/A | | |
| | Fusilade DX 2EC | 8 to 24 fl oz/A | fluazifop | 0.125 to 0.375 lb/A | 45 | 12 |
| | Poast 1.5EC | 1 to 1.5 pt/A | sethoxydim | 0.2 to 0.3 lb/A | 30 | 12 |
| <p>-Select 2EC: use crop oil concentrate (COC) at 1% v/v (1 gal/100 gal of spray solution). -Select Max 0.97EC: use nonionic surfactant (NIS) at 0.25% v/v (1 qt/100 gal of spray solution). -Fusilade DX 2EC: use COC at 1.0% v/v or NIS at 0.25% v/v. -Shadow 3EC: use crop oil concentrate (COC) at 1% v/v (1 gal/100 gal of spray solution) for large or stressed grasses; use nonionic surfactant (NIS) at 0.25% v/v (1 qt/100 gal of spray solution) when crop safety is a concern. -Poast 1.5EC: use COC at 1.0% v/v. -General comments: -The use of COC may increase the risk of crop injury when hot or humid conditions prevail. To reduce the risk of crop injury, switch to NIS when grasses are small and soil moisture is adequate. -Use lower labeled rates for annual grass control and higher labeled rates for perennial grass control. For best results, treat annual grasses when they are actively growing and before tillers are present. -Yellow nutsedge, wild onion, wild garlic, and broadleaf weeds will not be controlled with these herbicides. -These herbicides control many annual and certain perennial grasses. Clethodim is best on annual bluegrass; while Poast is preferred for goosegrass control. -Repeated applications may be necessary to control certain perennial grasses. If repeat applications are necessary, allow 14 days between applications. -Rainfastness is 1 h. -Do not apply more than 8 fl oz/A of Select 2EC in a single application and do not exceed 2 applications per season; do not apply more than 32 fl oz/A of Select Max in a single application and do not exceed 4 pt/A for the season. -Do not apply more than 5.33 fl oz/A of Shadow 3EC in a single application and do not exceed 21.33 fl oz/A for the season. -Do not apply more than 24 fl oz/A of Fusilade DX in a single application and do not exceed 3 pt/A for the season. -Do not apply more than 1.5 pt/A of Poast in a single application and do not exceed 4.5 pt/A for the season.</p> | | | | | | |
| 6 | Maestro 2E | 1.5 to 2 pt/A | bromoxynil | 0.38 to 0.5 lb/A | 60/112* | 24 |
| <p>-Apply after garlic emergence but before 12 inches in height. -Apply in a minimum of 20 gal/A. No surfactant or adjuvant is recommended due to risk of crop injury. -Apply to small broadleaf weeds (up to 4-leaf stage, 2 inches in height or 1 inch diameter). -Rainfastness 1 h. Do not apply more than 2 pt/A during the season. -Do not harvest for 112 days after application on mineral soils or 60 days on muck soils grown in the northeastern US.</p> | | | | | | |
| 27 | Optogen 1.67 | 3.5 fl oz/A | bicyclopyrone | 0.046 lb/A | 45 | 24 |
| <p>-For use with transplanted garlic only. -Use nonionic surfactant (NIS) at 0.25% v/v (1qt/100 gal of spray solution) or crop oil concentrate (COC) at 1% v/v (1 gal/100 gal of spray solution). Ammonium sulfate (AMS) at 8.5 to 17 lb/100 gal spray solution may be added for improved control of emerged weeds -Apply after transplanting as either row middle treatment or as a directed spray. Hooded or shielded sprayers will reduce the risk of injury for row middle or directed sprays. -Contact with foliage will cause injury. -Apply to small weeds (less than 2" tall). Optogen provides control for only a few weed species, should be used in combination with other herbicides. -Rainfastness is not specified on the label. -Do not make more than one application per year.</p> | | | | | | |

| 3. Other Labeled Herbicides These products are labeled but limited local data are available; and/or are labeled but not recommended in our region due to potential crop injury concerns. | | |
|--|---|-------------------|
| Group | Product Name (*Restricted Use) | Active Ingredient |
| 3 | Prowl H20 / Prowl 3.3EC | pendimethalin |
| 14 | Aim (hooded or directed application only) | carfentrazone |
| 14 | Chateau | flumioxazin |
| 14 | Goal or GoalTender | oxyfluorfen |
| 15 | Outlook | dimethenamid |

Insect Control

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Note: For **premixes**, the group number (representing the mode of action) and active ingredient that contributes the most to control is generally listed first. In some cases, only one ingredient in a premix provides control.

Allium Leafminers

This new pest to the Mid-Atlantic area is a grey-black fly with a distinctive yellow or orange patch on its head, yellow sides and “knees” (femur-tibia junction), and white halteres (knobs in place of 2nd pair of wings). The larvae are a typical whitish maggot. Leek (*A. porrum*) and scallions (green onions) tends to be the most damaged Allium species or cultivars. Adult females repeatedly puncture leaves with their ovipositors, resulting in a line of small white dots. Leaves can be wavy, curled, and distorted. Larvae mine leaves and move towards and into bulbs and leaf sheaths where they pupate. Covering plants in April-May, or September-October, during adult flight, can exclude the pest. Other suggested methods include avoiding the adult oviposition period by delaying planting in the spring. Systemic and contact insecticides can be effective, however soil applied Group 4A and Group 28 products are not effective and are best used as a foliar spray.

| Apply one of the following formulations: | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Group | Product Name (* = Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
| 3A | Mustang Maxx* | 2.24 to 4.0 fl oz/A | zeta-cypermethrin | 7 | 12 | H |
| 3A | Warrior II* | 0.96 to 1.60 fl oz/A | lambda-cyhalothrin | 14 | 24 | H |
| 4A | Scorpion 35 SL | 5.25 to 7.0 fl oz/A | dinotefuran - foliar | 1 | 12 | H |
| 4A | Venom 70SG | 3.0 to 4.0 oz/A | dinotefuran - foliar | 1 | 12 | H |
| 5 | Entrust SC (OMRI) | 3.0 to 6.0 fl oz/A | spinosad | 1 | 4 | H |
| 5 | Radiant SC | 6.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | spinetoram | 1 | 4 | H |
| 17 | Trigard 75WSP | 2.66 oz/A | cyromazine | 7 | 12 | H |
| 28 | Exirel | 13.5 to 20.5 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole | 1 | 12 | H |
| 28 + 6 | Minecto Pro* ¹ | 7.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole + abamectin | 30 | 12 | H |
| 30 | Vertento | 1.1 to 2.0 fl oz/A | isocycloseram | 7 | 12 | H |

¹Use of a non-sticker adjuvant is required.

Beet Armyworms (BAW)

Beet armyworm comes into our area from the South usually in early to mid-July. Female moths lay egg masses on the underside of leaves that are covered in scales with a fuzzy appearance. Young larvae are greyish or dark green with distinct dark heads. Most larvae have a distinct black spot on the second abdominal segment. BAW damage is characterized by leaf skeletonization. One of the best scouting methods is to examine nearby pigweed or lambsquarters weeds, as BAW typically infests those plants first. **BAW control can be challenging as they are resistant to pyrethroids (Group 3A) and there are resistance concerns with diamides (Group 28).**

| Apply one of the following formulations: | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Group | Product Name (* = Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
| 1A | Lannate LV* | 1.5 pt/A | methomyl | 7 | 48 | H |
| 5 | Entrust SC (OMRI) | 3.0 to 6.0 fl oz/A | spinosad | 1 | 4 | H |
| 5 | Radiant SC | 5.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | spinetoram | 1 | 4 | H |
| 11A | XenTari (OMRI) | 0.5 to 2.0 lb/A | <i>Bacillus thuringiensis aizawai</i> | 0 | 4 | N |
| 28 ¹ | Coragen 1.67SC Coragen eVo, Vantacor | 3.5 to 7.5 fl oz/A 1.2 to 2.5 fl oz/A | chlorantraniliprole | 1 | 4 | L |

¹Resistance concerns with BAW.

Dry Bulb Mite and Bulb Mite

Bulb mites from two different families can infest garlic. Dry bulb mite is a pest of stored garlic that, while not a problem every growing season, has been reported more often in recent years. Dry bulb mite is an Eriophyid mite that cannot be seen without magnification. Dry bulb mites multiply in storage and feed on the surface of stored cloves causing drying and shriveling. There are currently no chemical treatments available for dry bulb mite management (researchers in New York state showed that some previously listed chemical control methods are

ineffective). Heat treatment of cloves for planting can be effective but temperature control is critical and reduced germination has been observed. Proper handling and storage procedures for harvested bulbs is currently the only option available to manage these mites. See information in the Harvest and Post-Harvest Considerations section above.

Another bulb mite pest is the larger and visible Acarid bulb mite, which can damage stored garlic bulbs but also growing plants in fields. Infested cloves exhibit poor root growth and increased incidence of fungal decay.

For both types of mites, do not plant new bulbs into previously infested fields and do not save bulbs from infested fields for replanting.

Thrips

Thrips have mouth parts that pierce plant tissue and remove plant liquids resulting in whitish or chlorotic streaks or blotches. During hot, dry weather, the population of thrips increases following harvest of adjacent alfalfa or grain fields; thrips could at this time pose the most serious insect problem on garlic.

| Apply one of the following formulations (Note: The use of spinosad or methomyl for beet armyworm control will suppress thrips populations): | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|----------------------|--|------------|------------|-----------|
| Group | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
| 1B | Malathion 57 EC | 1.5 to 2.0 pt/A | malathion | 3 | 24 | H |
| 3A ¹ | Mustang Maxx* | 2.88 to 4.0 fl oz/A | zeta-cypermethrin | 7 | 12 | H |
| 3A ¹ | Permethrin*, others | 6.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A | permethrin | 1 | 12 | H |
| 3A ¹ | Proaxis* | 2.56 to 3.84 fl oz/A | gamma-cyhalothrin | 14 | 24 | H |
| 3A ¹ | Warrior II* | 1.28 to 1.92 fl oz/A | lambda-cyhalothrin | 14 | 24 | H |
| 4A ² | Assail 30SG | 5.0 to 8.0 oz/A | acetamiprid | 7 | 12 | M |
| 4A ² | Assail 30SC | 4.2 to 6.7 fl oz/A | acetamiprid | 7 | 12 | M |
| 4A ² | Scorpion 35 SL | 8.75 to 10.5 fl oz/A | dinotefuran - soil | 21 | 12 | H |
| 4A ² | Scorpion 35 SL | 5.25 to 7.0 fl oz/A | dinotefuran - foliar | 1 | 12 | H |
| 4A ² | Venom | 5.0 to 6.0 oz/A | dinotefuran - soil | 21 | 12 | H |
| 4A ² | Venom | 3.0 to 4.0 oz/A | dinotefuran - foliar | 1 | 12 | H |
| 5 | Entrust SC (OMRI) | 4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A | spinosad | 1 | 4 | H |
| 5 | Radiant SC | 6.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | spinetoram | 1 | 4 | H |
| 21A | Torac | 24.0 fl oz/A | tolfenpyrad | 7 | 12 | H |
| 23 | Boxadon 360 | 3.4 fl oz/A | spirotetramat | 3 | 24 | L |
| 23 | Movento | 5.0 fl oz/A | spirotetramat - larvae | 3 | 24 | L |
| 23+7C | Senstar | 10.0 fl oz/A | spirotetramat + pyriproxyfen - larvae | 3 | 24 | L |
| 28 + 6 | Minecto Pro ³ | 7.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole + abamectin | 30 | 12 | H |
| 30 | Vertento | 1.1 to 2.0 fl oz/A | isocycloseram | 7 | 12 | H |

¹Resistance concerns with western flower thrips.

²Resistance concerns with tobacco thrips.

³ Use of a non-sticker adjuvant is required.

Disease Control

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Recommended Fungicides

Nematodes

Bloat Nematode (*Ditylenchus dipsaci*)

Infected garlic appears bloated and twisted, with swollen leaves and distorted and cracked bulbs. Secondary infection by *Fusarium* spp. is common. Currently there are no certification programs for garlic; make sure your supplier produces clean seed cloves. Avoid planting bulbs that are split, have damaged basal plates or are desiccated. Plant garlic in a location that has not been cropped to garlic or another *Allium* crop for at least 4 years. Following harvest, planting biofumigant cover crops may help reduce nematode levels. Keep soils moist since the bloat nematode cannot survive long periods in high moisture. Implement good sanitation practices and avoid dumping culls and other infested debris in the field.

Velum Prime 4.16SC can be used at 6.5 to 6.84 fl oz in-furrow at-planting in the following methods:

- Pre-plant banded or broadcast spray directed to the soil and incorporated into the planting bed during planting.

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- In-furrow drench or spray during planting directed on or below seed.
- Chemigation into the root-zone through low-pressure drip, trickle, micro-sprinkler or equivalent equipment.
- Chemigation using overhead irrigation equipment.

Damping-off caused by *Pythium* and *Rhizoctonia*

Use clean pathogen-free seed that has been treated with a fungicide.

| Code | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
|---|------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Apply one of the following at planting to help manage damping-off pathogens: | | | | | | |
| For Pythium only: | | | | | | |
| 4 | MetaStar 2E AG | 2.0 to 4.0 pt/A | metalaxyl | AP | 48 | N |
| 4 | Ridomil Gold 4SL | 0.5 to 1.0 pt/A | mefenoxam | 7 | 12 | N |
| 4 | Ultra Flourish 2E | 1.0 to 2.0 pt/A | mefenoxam | AP | 48 | N |
| For Rhizoctonia only: | | | | | | |
| 11 | azoxystrobin 2.08F | 0.40 to 0.80 fl oz/1000 row ft | azoxystrobin | 0 | 4 | N |
| For Pythium and Rhizoctonia: | | | | | | |
| 4 + 11 | Uniform 3.72SC | 0.34 fl oz/1000 row ft in furrow, see label | mefenoxam + azoxystrobin | AP | 0 | N |

Bacterial and Fungal Diseases

Botrytis Leaf Blight

Scout fields regularly. Cool summer temperatures (55 to 75°F) and long periods of leaf wetness provide optimum environmental conditions for rapid leaf blighting. Older plants are more susceptible to Botrytis infection than younger plants. Apply the following preventatively when weather conditions favor disease development and repeat at 7-10 day intervals. **Do not** make more than 2 consecutive applications of Endura or Pristine before switching to a fungicide with a different mode of action. Thoroughly disc or plow under plant debris after harvest.

| Code | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Tank mix | | | | | | |
| M05 | chlorothalonil 6F | 1.0 to 3.0 pt /A | chlorothalonil | 7 | 12 | M |
| With one of the following fungicides. Rotate between fungicides with different modes of action (FRAC codes): | | | | | | |
| 3 + 9 | Inspire Super 2.82EW ¹ | 16.0 to 20.0 fl oz/A | difenoconazole + cyprodonil | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 3 + 11 | Quilt Xcel 2.2SE ² | 17.5 to 26.0 fl oz/A | propiconazole + azoxystrobin | 14 | 12 | N |
| 7 | Endura 70WG ¹ | 6.8 oz/A | boscalid | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 7 + 3 | Luna Experience 3.34SC | 8.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A | fluopyram + tebuconazole | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 7 + 9 | Luna Tranquility 4.16SC | 16.0 to 27.0 fl oz/A | fluopyram + pyimethanil | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 7 + 11 | Merivon Xemium | 8.0 to 11.0 fl oz/A | fluxapyroxad + pyraclostrobin | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 7 + 11 | Pristine 38WG | 14.5 to 18.5 oz/A | boscalid + pyraclostrobin | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 29 | Omega 500F ^{1,2} | 1.0 pt/A | fluazinam | 7 | 12 | N |

¹Also manages purple blotch. ²Also manages downy mildew.

Downy Mildew (*Peronospora destructor*)

The pathogen can survive as oospores in the soil, or on bulbs, sets and seed. Downy mildew development is promoted by cool, moist conditions. Management begins with planting pathogen-free seed or sets and crop rotations of at least 3 years without related crops. Be sure to eliminate culls and volunteers from the field.

| Code | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
|--|------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Tank mix chlorothalonil | | | | | | |
| M05 | chlorothalonil 6F | 1.0 to 3.0 pt /A | chlorothalonil | 7 | 12 | M |
| With one of the following fungicides and rotate between fungicides with different modes of action (FRAC codes): | | | | | | |
| 21 | Ranman 400SC | 2.75 to 3.0 fl oz/A | cyazofamid | 0 | 12 | L |
| 29 | Omega 500F ¹ | 1.0 pt/A | fluazinam | 7 | 12 | N |
| 40 | Forum 4.17SC | 6.0 fl oz/A | dimethomorph | 0 | 12 | N |
| 40 | Revus 2.08F | 8.0 fl oz/A | mandipropamid | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 43 | Presidio 4SC | 3.0 to 4.0 fl oz/A | fluopicolide | 2 | 12 | L |
| 40 + 45 | Zampro 525SC | 14.0 fl oz/A | dimethomorph + ametocradin | 0 | 12 | -- |
| 40 + 49 | Orondis Ultra 2.33SC | 5.5 to 8.0 fl oz/A | mandipropamid + oxathiapiprolin | 7 | 4 | -- |

¹Also manages Botrytis leaf blight and purple blotch.

Fusarium Basal Rot (*Fusarium* spp.)

The fungus infects and causes decay of the basal plate. During the growing season, leaves can turn yellow and then brown. This disease is favored by very warm soil temperatures, so symptoms are most frequently observed in mid-to late summer. A 4-year crop rotation with non-hosts is the most effective management strategy. There are currently no fungicides registered for the management of this disease. Hot water treating cloves may reduce disease in low disease pressure environments.

Purple Blotch (*Alternaria porri*)

Scout fields regularly. Purple blotch development increases with high humidity, rain and persistent dews with an optimum 71 to 85°F temperature range. Apply one of the following preventatively when weather conditions favor disease development and repeat at 7 to 10-day intervals. **Do not** apply Pristine, azoxystrobin (both FRAC code 11) or Endura (FRAC code 7) more than once before switching to a fungicide with a different mode of action (FRAC code). Thoroughly disc or plow under plant debris after harvest.

| Code | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Tank mix or rotate | | | | | | |
| M05 | chlorothalonil 6F | 1.0 to 3.0 pt /A | chlorothalonil | 7 | 12 | M |
| With one of the following fungicides and rotate between fungicides with different modes of action: | | | | | | |
| 3 | tebuconazole 3.6F | 4.0 to 6.0 fl oz/A | tebuconazole | 7 | 12 | N |
| 3 + 9 | Inspire Super 2.82EW ¹ | 16.0 to 20.0 fl oz/A | difenoconazole + cyprodonil | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 3 + 11 | Quilt Xcel 2.2SE | 17.5 to 26.0 fl oz/A | propiconazole + azoxystrobin | 14 | 12 | N |
| 7 | Endura 70WG | 6.8 oz/A | boscalid | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 7 | Fontelis 1.67SC | 16.0 to 24.0 fl oz/A | penthiopyrad | 3 | 12 | L |
| 7 + 3 | Aprovia Top 1.62EC | 10.5 fl oz/A | benzovindiflupyr + difenoconazole | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 11 | azoxystrobin 2.08F | 9.0 to 15.5 fl oz/A | azoxystrobin | 0 | 4 | N |
| 11 | Cabrio 20EG | 8.0 to 12.0 oz/A | pyraclostrobin | 7 | 12 | N |
| 29 | Omega 500F ^{1,2} | 1.0 pt/A | fluazinam | 7 | 12 | N |

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White Rot (*Sclerotium cepivorum*)

Disease development is favored by cool, moist soil conditions. Infection occurs at soil temperatures ranging from 50 to 75°F, with the optimum at 60 to 65°F. The disease is greatly inhibited at soil temperatures above 78°F. Sclerotia can survive for over 20 yr, even in the absence of a host plant. Soil moisture conditions that are favorable for onion and garlic growth are also ideal for white rot development. Rotate between crops for as many years as possible.

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|---|--|---|----------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| At planting, apply an in-furrow treatment of one of the following: | | | | | | |
| 2 | iprodione 4F (spray both the cloves and the covering soil used to fill furrow; maximum application: 1 per year) | 4.0 pt in 20 gal of water minimum based on a 38- to 40-inch row spacing | iprodione | AP | 24 | N |
| 3 | tebuconazole 3.6F (immediately after seeding; can also be applied via drip irrigation) | 20.5 fl oz/A in a 4 to 6-inch band over the top or in-furrow | tebuconazole | 7 | 12 | N |
| 12 | Cannonball WG (prior to seed placement) | 0.5 oz/1000 ft row in-furrow | fludioxonil | 7 | 12 | L |
| Two additional foliar applications of tebuconazole may be applied: | | | | | | |
| 3 | tebuconazole 3.6F | 4.0 to 6.0 fl oz/A | tebuconazole | 7 | 12 | N |
| Note: In treated fields, do not grow crops other than garlic and leafy vegetables during the harvest year, and do not grow garlic, leafy vegetables, tomatoes, root crops, cereal grains, or soybeans during the following year. | | | | | | |