

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

Lettuce, Endive and Escarole

Recommended Varieties

| Crop | Type | Color | Variety ¹ | Season ² | | Disease Resistance ³ | | | Environment | | | |
|-------------|------------|-------|------------------------|----------------------|-----|---------------------------------|-----|----|-------------------|------------------|---|---|
| | | | | Sp | LSF | DM | LMV | CR | Heat ⁴ | Tip ⁵ | | |
| Lettuce | Bibb | Green | Buttercrunch | X | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Newham | X | X | | | | | | | |
| | Butterhead | Green | Adriana | X | | X | X | | | | X | |
| | | | Baja | X | X | | | | X | | | |
| | | | Harmony | X | | X | X | | | | X | |
| | | | Milagro | | | X | | | | | | |
| | | | Nancy | X | | | X | | | | | |
| | | | Rex ⁶ | X | X | X | | | X | X | | |
| | | | Salanova® Green Butter | X | X | X | | | X | | | |
| | | | Red | Alkindus | X | X | X | X | | | | X |
| | | | | Mikola | X | X | | | | X | | |
| | | | | Salanova® Red Butter | X | X | X | | | X | | |
| | Skyphos | X | | X | X | X | | X | | | | |
| | Crisp | Green | Muir | X | X | X | X | | X | | | |
| | | | Nevada | X | X | | | | X | X | | |
| | | Red | Cherokee | X | X | X | | | | | | |
| | | | Hanson Red | X | X | | | | X | | | |
| | | | Magenta | X | X | X | X | | X | | | |
| | | | Saragossa | X | X | | | | X | | | |
| | | | Sierra | X | X | X | X | | X | | | |
| | Iceberg | Green | Crispino | X | X | | | | | | | |
| | | | Mighty Joe | X | | | | | X | | | |
| | Leaf | Green | Bergam's Green | X | X | | | X | | X | | |
| | | | Green Star | X | X | X | | | | X | | |
| | | | Starfighter | X | X | X | | | | | | |
| | | | Tropicana | X | X | | | | | X | | |
| | | | Two Star | X | X | | | | | X | | |
| | | Red | New Red Fire | X | X | | | | | | | |
| | Romaine | Green | Arroyo | X | X | X | | | X | | | |
| | | | Chalupa | X | X | | | | X | | | |
| | | | Coastal Star | X | | | | X | | | | |
| | | | Green Forest | X | | | | X | | X | | |
| | | | Green Towers | X | X | | | | | | | |
| Jericho | | | X | X | | | | X | X | | | |
| Kalura | | | X | X | | | | X | | | | |
| Monte Carlo | | | X | | X | | | | X | | | |
| Salvius | | | X | X | X | | X | X | X | | | |
| Sunland | | | X | X | | | X | X | | | | |
| Endive | Endive | Green | Pomegranate Crunch | | X | | | | | | | |
| | | | Benefine | X | | | | | | | | |
| Escarole | Escarole | Green | Curlesi | X | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Salad King | X | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Eros | | X | | | | | | | |
| | | | Full Heart | X | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Eliance | X | X | | | | | | | |
| | | | Forbes | | X | | | | | | | |

¹Listed alphabetically within leaf color. ²Sp=Spring, LSF=Late Summer and Fall. ³DM=Downy Mildew resistant, LMV=Lettuce Mosaic Virus resistant, CR=Corky Root resistant. ⁴Heat and bolting tolerant. ⁵Leaf tipburn resistant. ⁶Rex Variety: for high tunnel or greenhouse use only.

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.

| Crop | 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) | | | | |
| Leaf Lettuce, Endive, or Escarole ¹ | 100-125 | 200 | 150 | 100 | 0 | 200 | 150 | 100 | 0 | Total nutrient recommended |
| | 50-75 | 200 | 150 | 100 | 0 | 200 | 150 | 100 | 0 | Broadcast and disk-in |
| | 25-50 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Sidedress 3-5 weeks after planting |
| Iceberg Lettuce ¹ | 60-80 | 200 | 150 | 100 | 0 | 200 | 150 | 100 | 0 | Total nutrient recommended |
| | 25-50 | 200 | 150 | 100 | 0 | 200 | 150 | 100 | 0 | Broadcast and disk-in |
| | 25-30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Sidedress 3-5 weeks after planting |

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

Lettuce for Salad Mixes

See also section A 3. Specialty Vegetables.

Loose-, red-, and oakleaf, romaine and other lettuces are commonly used in baby or small leaf stages in salad mixes.

Growing Conditions

Lettuce, endive, and escarole are cool-season crops. Properly hardened lettuce transplants can tolerate temperatures as low as 20-25°F (-7 to -4°C). Temperatures above 85°F (29°C) for several days will cause seed stalk formation (bolting) in lettuce. Temperatures below 70°F (21°C) during the seedling stage promote premature bolting in endive and escarole.

Seed Treatment

Treat seeds to prevent disease. See Disease Control below.

Seeding and Transplanting

Endive and Escarole:

Early endive and escarole are usually grown from transplants started 3-4 weeks before planting in the field in early spring. Later plantings may be direct seeded. Heat tolerant varieties should be used for plantings later in the season. Some varieties of escarole can also be planted in late summer for fall production.

Spring Lettuce:

The early endive and escarole crop is usually grown from transplants shipped into the region. Lettuce transplants are started in frames or greenhouses. Lettuce may be sown in frames in November, in unheated greenhouses in December, and in heated greenhouses in January and February at the rate of 4-6 oz seed for 1 acre of plants. Plants are ready for field planting in early March.

Direct-seeded lettuce is sown in prepared beds as early in the spring as the ground can be worked. Seeds require light to germinate so should be sown at shallow depth. Some of the seeds should actually be uncovered. Pelleted seed should be watered at night during high-temperature periods (soil temperatures above 80°F/27°C) until germination occurs.

Summer Lettuce:

In the southern part of the region, plantings made in May through mid-August must use heat tolerant varieties combined with practices that lower soil temperatures, such as white or silver plastic mulch or shade cloth..

Fall Lettuce:

Seed in the field July 25 to August 10 in PA and other cool areas, and August 5-20 in warmer areas. When transplants are used, planting dates can be delayed 2-3 weeks.

Seed Priming:

Lettuce seeds enter physiological dormancy at temperatures above 85°F (29°C). This can make it difficult to establish a summer or fall crop. Priming seeds in 1% potassium phosphate (K₃PO₄) for 20 hours at 75°F (24°C) prior to sowing will prevent thermo-dormancy. Many vendors offer primed lettuce seeds.

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Spacing

Lettuce: Head and Romaine lettuce is planted in rows 2 ft apart with plants 12-15 inches apart in the row. Leaf and Boston type lettuce are planted 3-4 rows per bed with beds spaced 66-72 inches on centers. Space plants 9-12 inches apart in the row. Lettuce for baby greens or salad mixes is direct-seeded in close rows (3-6 inches apart) or broadcast across beds. Coated seed is recommended for precision seeding of heading types. Plant 1 coated seed every 2-3 inches, or 2 seeds spaced 1 inch apart every 12 inches. Direct-seeded plants should be thinned when 2 or 3 true leaves have formed. **Endive and Escarole:** Plant 3-4 rows per bed and space beds 66-72 inches on centers. Space plants 9-15 inches apart in the row.

Irrigation

Lettuce requires frequent irrigation with total seasonal water requirements of 10-12 inches.

Harvest and Post-Harvest Considerations

Lettuce is extremely perishable and needs to be handled delicately and marketed rapidly. Head lettuce is harvested when the heads are of good size (about 2 lb), well-formed and solid. Head lettuce is hand cut and trimmed (leave 3 undamaged wrapper leaves on each head) and placed in containers in the field. It is then vacuum cooled or hydrocooled. Specialty leaf lettuces and other greens for bag mixes are harvested by hand or mechanically. If the harvest is delayed or if the crop is over-mature, a strong bitter taste and toughness develop, and the product becomes unmarketable. Leaf, butterhead and cos/romaine types are cut, trimmed, and bundled before placing in cartons.

Lettuce should be precooled to 34°F (1°C) soon after harvest and stored at 32°F (0°C) and 98-100% relative humidity for retention of quality and shelf life. At 32°F, head lettuce can be held in good condition for 2-3 weeks. Leaf, cos/romaine, and butterhead lettuce have a shorter shelf life. Lettuce is easily damaged by freezing, so all parts of the storage room must be kept above the freezing point (31.7°F, -0.2°C).

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, Preemergence, or After Transplanting) | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| 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 or preemergence applications. -Use on mineral soils only. If applied preemergence, irrigate within 36 h of application with ½ inch of water; if not incorporated with rainfall or within 36 h, weed control may be reduced. Provides control/suppression of some annual grass weeds and some broadleaves including pigweeds, purslane, and lambsquarters. Do not apply more than 6 qt/A per season. | | | | | | |
| 3 | Kerb 50-W (WP) * Kerb 3.3SC* | 2 to 4 lb/A, 1.25 to 5 pt/A | pronamide | 1 to 2 lb/A 0.5 to 2 lb/A | 25 to 55, see label | 24 |
| - Kerb 50-W is labeled for head lettuce, endive, escarole, and radicchio greens. - Kerb 3.3SC is labeled for head lettuce, endive, escarole, and radicchio greens at 1.5 to 5 pt/A; leaf lettuce rate is 1.25 to 5 pt/A. -Rate is dependent on weed susceptibility, soil texture, and expect duration of control. -Applications can be made preplant, preemergence, or after emergence. -Kerb needs water after application for optimum performance; 0.5-1 inches of rainfall or 1-2 inches of irrigation is recommended. -Primarily controls annual grasses and certain broadleaf weeds. Kerb will not control emerged weeds. -The required dosage rate is dependent on soil texture, target weed size, and method of irrigation. Refer to label for specific instructions. - Do not use more than 1.5 lb ai/A pronamide on val temp, grande verde, and prima verde crisp head lettuce; or on endive (escarole). - Do not make more than 1 application of Kerb 50-W per crop. -Kerb SC application can be split so part of the maximum allowable rate can be applied initially and the balance up to 10 days later. - Do not apply more than 4 lb/A Kerb 50W or 5 pt/A Kerb SC per acre per crop year. -Crops that are not on the label should not be planted for 3 to 12 months, depending on herbicide rate used and crop. | | | | | | |

| 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 | 14 | 24 |
| | Select 2EC | 6 to 8 fl oz/A | | | | |
| | Select Max 0.97EC | 9 to 16 fl oz/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 0.28 lb/A | 15/30 | 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). 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. Fusilade DX 2EC: use COC at 1.0% v/v or NIS at 0.25% v/v. Poast 1.5EC: Apply with COC at 1.0% v/v.</p> <p>-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.</p> <p>-Do not tank mix with or apply within 2 to 3 days of any other pesticide, unless labeled, as this may increase the risk of crop injury or reduce the control of grasses. Do not apply more than 8 fl oz/A of Select 2EC in a single application and do not exceed 2 pt/A for the season; do not apply more than 16 fl oz/A of Select Max in a single application and do not exceed 4 pt/A for the season.</p> <p>-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.</p> <p>-Do not apply more than 24 fl oz/A of Fusilade DX in a single application and do not exceed 3 pt/A per season.</p> <p>-Do not apply more than 1.5 pt/A Poast in a single application and do not exceed 3 pt/A for the season.</p> <p>-Poast 1.5 EC labeled for leaf and head-type lettuces (PHI=15 d for leaf types, 30 d for head types).</p> | | | | | | |
| 3. Postharvest | | | | | | |
| Group | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient | Active Ingredient Rate | PHI (d) | REI (h) |
| 22 | Gramoxone SL 3.0* | 1.5 to 2 pt/A | paraquat | 0.56 to 0.75 lb/A | -- | 24 |
| <p>-Supplemental Label in DE for postharvest application to desiccate the crop. -Apply after the last harvest for bareground or plasticulture. Always include an adjuvant. -Spray coverage is essential for optimum effectiveness. See the label for additional information and warnings. -Rainfastness 30 min. A maximum of 2 applications for crop desiccation are allowed.</p> <p>-Restricted-use pesticide. Only certified applicators, who successfully complete the paraquat-specific training, can mix, load, or apply paraquat. Application of paraquat "under the direct supervision" of a certified applicator is no longer allowed. Required training link (https://campus.extension.org/enrol/index.php?id=2201); certified applicators must repeat training every three years.</p> | | | | | | |
| 4. 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 | Treflan | trifluralin | | | | |
| 14 | Aim (hooded or directed application only) | carfentrazone | | | | |
| 14 | Vida | pyraflufen | | | | |

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.

Aphids On fall crops, seedling protection from aphids is important. Spray if the aphid population reaches 1 aphid/seedling or > 4 aphids/plant beyond the seedling stage.

| Apply one of the following formulations: | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|-----------------|---|------------|------------|-----------|
| Group | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) and Crop Restrictions | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
| 1A | Lannate LV* | 1.5 to 3.0 pt/A | methomyl (check the label for PHI) | 7/10 | 48 | H |
| 1B | Orthene 97 | 0.5 to 1.0 lb/A | acephate - only labeled for head lettuce | 21 | 24 | H |

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Aphids - continued

| | | | | | | |
|---------|---|----------------------|--|----|----|---|
| 1B | Dimethoate 400EC | 0.5 pt/A | dimethoate - not labeled for head lettuce | 14 | 48 | H |
| 4A | Neonicotinoid insecticides registered for use on Lettuce types: see table at the end of Insect Control. | | | | | |
| 4D | Sivanto Prime | 21 to 28 fl oz/A | flupyradifurone - soil | 21 | 4 | M |
| 4D | Sivanto Prime | 7 to 14 fl oz/A | flupyradifurone - foliar | 1 | 4 | M |
| 9B | Fulfill 50WDG | 2.75 oz/A | pymetrozine | 7 | 12 | L |
| 9B | PQZ | 2.4 to 3.2 fl oz/A | pyrifluquinazon | 1 | 12 | L |
| 9D | Versys | 1.5 fl oz/S | afidopyropen | 0 | 12 | L |
| 21A | Torac | 14.0 to 21.0 fl oz/A | tolfenpyrad – not lettuce aphid | 1 | 12 | H |
| 23 | Boxadon 360 | 2.1 to 3.4 fl oz/A | spirotetramat | 3 | 24 | L |
| 23 | Movento | 4.0 to 5.0 fl oz/A | spirotetramat | 3 | 24 | L |
| 23 + 7C | Senstar | 8.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | spirotetramat + pyriproxyfen | 14 | 24 | L |
| 28 | Exirel | 13.5 to 20.5 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole | 1 | 12 | H |
| 28 | Harvanta 50SL | 10.9 to 16.4 fl oz/A | cyclaniliprole - melon aphid | 1 | 4 | H |
| 28 | Verimark | 6.75 to 13.5 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole | 1 | 4 | H |
| 28 + 6 | Minecto Pro* ¹ | 10.0 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole + abamectin | 7 | 12 | H |
| 29 | Beleaf 50SG | 2.0 to 2.8 oz/A | flonicamid | 0 | 12 | L |

¹Use of a non-sticker adjuvant is required.

Caterpillar “Worm” Pests Including: Cabbage Loopers (CL), Armyworms, and Corn Earworms (CEW) Note: Head lettuce seedlings in the 7-18 leaf stage are vulnerable to CEW attack in August and September. Control must be achieved before the center leaves start to form a head (15-18 leaf stage). Apply insecticides every 2-5 days or every 5-10 days according to CEW moth catch and pest management alerts. **Due to resistance development, pyrethroid insecticides (Group 3A) are not recommended for control of beet armyworms or CEW. There are resistance concerns for beet armyworm to 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 to 3.0 pt/A | methomyl (check the label for PHI) | 7/10 | 48 | H |
| 3A ² | Pyrethroid insecticides registered for use on Lettuce types: see table at the end of Insect Control. | | | | | |
| 5 | Entrust SC (OMRI) | 4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A | spinosad | 1 | 4 | H |
| 5 | Radiant SC | 5.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | spinetoram | 1 | 4 | H |
| 6 | Proclaim 5SG* | 2.4 to 4.8 oz/A | emamectin benzoate | 7 | 12 | H |
| 11A | DiPel DF, others (OMRI) | 0.5 to 2.0 lb/A | <i>Bacillus thuringiensis kurstaki</i> | 0 | 4 | N |
| 11A | XenTari (OMRI) | 0.5 to 2 lb/A | <i>Bacillus thuringiensis aizawai</i> | 0 | 4 | N |
| 18 | Intrepid 2F (early season) Intrepid 2F (late season) | 4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A 8.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | methoxyfenozide | 1 | 4 | L |
| 22 | Avaunt, Avaunt eVo | 2.5 to 6 oz/A | indoxacarb | 3 | 12 | H |
| 28 ³ | Coragen 1.67SC Coragen eVo | 3.5 to 7.5 fl oz/A 1.2 to 2.5 fl oz/A | chlorantraniliprole - soil and foliar | 1 | 4 | L |
| 28 ³ | Exirel | 7 to 17 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole | 1 | 12 | H |
| 28 ³ | Harvanta 50SL | 10.9 to 16.4 fl oz/A | cyclaniliprole | 1 | 4 | H |
| 28 ³ | Verimark | 5 to 13.5 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole - soil | 1 | 4 | H |
| 28 ³ +3A ² | Besiege | 5.0 to 9.0 fl oz/A | chlorantraniliprole + lambda cyhalothrin | 1 | 24 | H |
| 28 ³ + 6 | Minecto Pro* ¹ | 5.5 to 10.0 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole + abamectin | 7 | 12 | H |
| 30 | Incipio | 2.1 to 4.1 fl oz/A | isocycloseram - CL only | 1 | 12 | H |

¹Use of a non-sticker adjuvant is required. ²Resistance concerns with beet armyworm and corn earworm. ³Resistance concerns with beet armyworm. [Insecticides with Suppression Only on the label: Torac]

Cutworms See also section E 3.1. Soil Pests - Detection and Control.

| 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 (check the label for PHI) | 7/10 | 48 | H |
| 3A | Pyrethroid insecticides registered for use on Lettuce types: see table at the end of Insect Control. | | | | | |

Leafhoppers

Control of leafhoppers will prevent the spread of lettuce yellows. In the spring, spray when plants are ½ inch tall, and repeat as needed. In the fall, spray seedlings 4-5 times at 5-day intervals. (continued next page)

Leafhoppers - continued

| Apply one of the following formulations: | | | | | | |
|--|---|----------------------|---|------------|------------|-----------|
| Group | Product Name (*= Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) and Crop Restrictions | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
| 1A | Lannate LV* | 1.5 to 3.0 pt/A | methomyl (check the label for PHI) | 7/10 | 48 | H |
| 1B | Orthene 97 | 0.5 to 1 lb/A | acephate - head lettuce only | 21 | 24 | H |
| 1B | Dimethoate 400EC | 0.5 pt/A | dimethoate - leaf lettuce only | 14 | 48 | H |
| 3A | Pyrethroid insecticides registered for use on Lettuce types: see table at the end of Insect Control. | | | | | |
| 4A | Neonicotinoid insecticides registered for use on Lettuce types: see table at the end of Insect Control. | | | | | |
| 16 | Courier SC | 9.0 to 13.6 fl oz/A | buprofezin | 7 | 12 | L |
| 21A | Torac | 14.0 to 21.0 fl oz/A | tolfenpyrad | 1 | 12 | H |

Leafminers

| Apply one of the following formulations: | | | | | | |
|--|---|----------------------|--|------------|------------|-----------|
| Group | Product Name (*= Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) and Crop Restrictions | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
| 1B | Dimethoate 400EC | 0.5 pt/A | dimethoate - not labeled for head lettuce | 14 | 48 | H |
| 4A | Neonicotinoid insecticides registered for use on Lettuce types: see table at the end of Insect Control. | | | | | |
| 5 | Entrust SC (OMRI) | 6.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | spinosad | 1 | 4 | H |
| 5 | Radiant SC | 6.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | spinetoram | 1 | 4 | H |
| 6 | Agri-Mek SC* ¹ | 1.75 to 3.5 fl oz/A | abamectin | 7 | 12 | H |
| 17 | Trigard 75WSP | 2.66 oz/A | cyromazine | 7 | 12 | H |
| 28 | Coragen 1.67SC | 5.0 to 7.5 fl oz/A | chlordaniliprole - soil and foliar | 1 | 4 | L |
| | Coragen eVo | 1.7 to 2.5 fl oz/A | | | | |
| 28 | Exirel | 13.5 to 20.5 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole | 1 | 12 | H |
| 28 | Harvanta 50SL | 10.9 to 16.4 fl oz/A | cyclaniliprole | 1 | 4 | H |
| 28 | Verimark | 6.75 to 13.5 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole - soil | 1 | 4 | H |
| 28 + 3A | Besiege | 5.0 to 9.0 fl oz/A | chlordaniliprole + lambda cyhalothrin | 1 | 24 | H |
| 28 + 6 | Minecto Pro* ¹ | 5.5 to 10.0 fl oz/A | cyantraniliprole + abamectin | 7 | 12 | H |
| 30 | Incipio | 2.1 to 4.1 fl oz/A | isocycloseram | 1 | 12 | H |

¹Use of a non-sticker adjuvant is required.

[Insecticides with Suppression Only on the label: Movento, Boxadon 360]

Tarnished Plant Bugs

Tarnished Plant Bugs can cause serious damage to the fall crop; it is usually numerous where weeds abound.

| Apply one of the following formulations: | | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------|----------------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Group | Product Name (*= Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
| 1A | Sevin XLR Plus | 1 to 2 qt/A | carbaryl | 14 | 12 | H |
| 3A | Pyrethroid insecticides registered for use on Lettuce types: see table at the end of Insect Control. | | | | | |
| 4A | Neonicotinoid insecticides registered for use on Lettuce types: see table at the end of Insect Control. | | | | | |
| 29 | Beleaf 50SG | 2.8 oz/A | flonicamid | 0 | 12 | L |

Thrips

Some species spread Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus. Scout for thrips and begin treatments when observed.

Do not produce vegetable transplants with bedding plants in the same greenhouse.

| 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 to 3.0 pt/A | methomyl (check the label for PHI) | 7/10 | 48 | H |
| 3A ¹ | Pyrethroid insecticides registered for use on Lettuce types: see table at the end of Insect Control. | | | | | |
| 4A ² | Neonicotinoid insecticides registered for use on Lettuce types: see table at the end of Insect Control. | | | | | |
| 5 | Entrust SC (OMRI) | 3.0 to 5.0 fl oz/A | spinosad | 1 | 4 | H |
| 5 | Radiant SC | 6.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A | spinetoram | 1 | 4 | H |
| 21A | Torac | 21.0 fl oz/A | tolfenpyrad | 1 | 12 | H |
| 30 | Incipio | 3.1 to 4.1 fl oz/A | isocycloseram | 1 | 12 | H |

¹Resistance concerns with western flower thrips.

²Resistance concerns with tobacco thrips.

[Insecticides with Suppression Only on the label: Exirel, Harvanta, Minecto Pro, Movento, Boxadon 360]

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| Group 3A Pyrethroid Insecticides Registered for Use on Lettuce, Endive and Escarole | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|---|------------|------------|-----------|
| Apply one of the following formulations (check if the product label lists the insect you intend to spray; not all pyrethroids are labeled for all lettuce types; the label is the law): | | | | | |
| Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) and Crop Restrictions | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
| Baythroid XL* | 0.8 to 3.2 fl oz/A | beta-cyfluthrin | 0 | 12 | H |
| Brigade 2EC*, others | 2.1 to 6.4 fl oz/A | bifenthrin | 7 | 12 | H |
| Hero* | 4.0 to 10.3 fl oz/A | zeta-cypermethrin + bifenthrin - head lettuce only | 7 | 12 | H |
| Mustang Maxx* | 2.24 to 4.0 fl oz/A | zeta-cypermethrin | 1 | 12 | H |
| Permethrin 3.2EC*, others | 2 to 8 fl oz/A | permethrin | 1 | 12 | H |
| PyGanic Crop protection EC 5.0 II (OMRI) | 4.5 to 15.61 fl oz/A | pyrethrins | 0 | 12 | H |
| Tombstone* | 0.8 to 3.2 fl oz/A | cyfluthrin | 0 | 12 | H |
| Warrior II* | 0.96 to 1.92 fl oz/A | lambda-cyhalothrin | 1 | 24 | H |
| Combo products containing a pyrethroid | | | | | |
| Besiege | 5.0 to 9.0 fl oz/A | lambda cyhalothrin + chlorantraniliprole (Group 28) | 1 | 24 | H |
| Endigo ZC* and ZCX* | 4.0 to 4.5 fl oz/A | lambda-cyhalothrin + thiamethoxam (Group 4A) | 7 | 24 | H |
| Leverage 360* | 3.0 fl oz/A | beta-cyfluthrin + imidacloprid (Group 4A) | 7 | 12 | H |
| Voliam Flexi | 6.0 to 7.0 fl oz/A | thiamethoxam + chlorantraniliprole (Group 28) | 7 | 12 | H |

| Group 4A Neonicotinoid Insecticides Registered for Use on Lettuce, Endive and Escarole | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|--|------------|------------|-----------|
| Apply one of the following formulations (check if the product label lists the insect you intend to spray; not all neonicotinoids are labeled for all lettuce types; the label is the law): | | | | | |
| Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
| Actara 25WDG | 1.5 to 3.0 oz/A | thiamethoxam | 7 | 12 | H |
| Admire Pro | 4.4 to 10.5 fl oz/A | imidacloprid - soil | 21 | 12 | H |
| Admire Pro | 1.3 fl oz/A | imidacloprid - foliar | 7 | 12 | H |
| Assail 30SG | 2.0 to 4.0 oz/A | acetamiprid | 7 | 12 | M |
| Belay | 9.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A | clothianidin - soil | 21 | 12 | H |
| Belay | 3.0 to 4.0 fl oz/A | clothianidin - foliar | 7 | 12 | H |
| Platinum 75SG | 1.66 to 3.67 oz/A | thiamethoxam | 30 | 12 | H |
| Scorpion 35SL | 9.0 to 10.5 fl oz/A | dinotefuran - soil | 21 | 12 | H |
| Scorpion 35SL | 2.0 to 5.25 fl oz/A | dinotefuran - foliar | 7 | 12 | H |
| Venom | 5.0 to 7.5 oz/A | dinotefuran - soil | 21 | 12 | H |
| Venom | 1.0 to 3.0 oz/A | dinotefuran - foliar | 7 | 12 | H |
| Combo products containing a neonicotinoid | | | | | |
| Endigo ZC* and ZCX* | 4.0 to 4.5 fl oz/A | thiamethoxam + lambda-cyhalothrin (Group 3A) | 7 | 24 | H |
| Leverage 360* | 3.0 fl oz/A | imidacloprid + beta-cyfluthrin + (Group 3A) | 7 | 12 | H |

Disease Control

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Seed Treatment

Dust seed with Thiram 480DP at the rate of 1 level tsp/lb of seed (3.0 oz/100 lb).

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

An application of mfenoxam or metalaxyl at planting will also help suppress White Rust and Downy Mildew development early in the season. Uniform applied at transplanting or seeding will also help suppress early-season Rhizoctonia root rot and Downy Mildew.

| Code | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) Crop Restrictions | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
|--|------------------------------------|------------------|---|------------|------------|-----------|
| Apply one of the following in a 7-inch band after seeding or transplanting: | | | | | | |
| 4 | Ridomil Gold 4SL | 1.0 to 2.0 pt /A | mfenoxam | AP | 12 | N |

Damping-off caused by Phytophthora, Pythium, and Rhizoctonia - continued next page

Damping-off caused by *Phytophthora*, *Pythium*, and *Rhizoctonia* - continued

| | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----|----|----|
| 4 | Ultra Flourish 2E | 2.0 to 4.0 pt /A | mefenoxam | AP | 48 | N |
| 4 | MetaStar 2E AG | 4.0 to 8.0 pt/A | metalaxyl | AP | 48 | N |
| 49 + 4 | Orondis Gold | 13.9 to 27.8 fl oz/A ¹ | oxathiapiprolin + mefenoxam | AP | 48 | -- |
| For Damping-off and Rhizoctonia control: | | | | | | |
| 4 + 11 | Uniform 3.72SC | 0.34 fl oz/1000 row | mefenoxam + azoxystrobin | AP | 0 | N |

¹Can be used in transplant water, see label for instructions

Bacterial and Fungal Diseases**Bottom Rot caused by *Rhizoctonia***

For the spring and fall crops, all fields should receive one of the following fungicide applications one week after transplanting or thinning and 10 and/or 20 days later if conditions warrant and/or cultivation has been done. Uniform (0.34 fl oz 3.66SE/1000 ft row) applied in-furrow at transplanting or seeding for root rot control will also help early-season suppression of Downy mildew.

| Code | Product Name (* = Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) Crop Restrictions | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
|------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|------------|------------|-----------|
| 4+11 | Uniform 3.72SC | 0.34 fl oz/1000 ft row | mefenoxam + azoxystrobin | AP | 0 | N |
| 7 | Endura 70WG | 8.0 to 11.0 oz/A | boscalid ¹ - not labeled for endive and escarole | 14 | 12 | -- |
| 7+11 | Luna Sensation 4.25SC | 7.6 fl oz/A | trifloxystrobin + fluopyram | 0 | 12 | -- |
| 11 | azoxystrobin 2.08F | 0.40 to 0.80 fl oz/1000 ft row | azoxystrobin | 0 | 4 | N |

¹Do not cultivate directly after applying iprodione or Endura (see labels for details).

Corky Root (*Rhizomonas suberifaciens*)

Development of this bacterial disease is favored by continual cropping in the same field. Cultural practices that reduce soil compaction, such as the use of a rye cover crop and high beds, should be considered. Limit irrigation between transplanting or thinning. Warm soil temperatures and high soil N levels may exacerbate disease.

Downy Mildew (*Bremia lactucae*)

Mefenoxam applied for damping-off control at seeding or transplanting will also help in the control of early-season Downy mildew. Downy mildew can cause problems during extended periods of cool, wet weather. Fungicide applications should begin and continue as conditions favor disease development.

| Code | Product Name (* = Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) Crop Restrictions | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---|------------|------------|-----------|
| Rotate one of the following fungicides: | | | | | | |
| 7 + 11 | Merivon Xemium | 8.0 to 11.0 fl oz/A | fluxapyroxad + pyraclostrobin | 1 | 12 | N |
| 11 | Reason 500SC | 5.5 to 8.2 fl oz/A | fenamidone - not labeled for endive and escarole | 2 | 12 | -- |
| 21 | Ranman 400SC | 2.75 fl oz/A | cyazofamid | 0 | 12 | L |
| 28 | Previcur Flex 6F | 2.0 pt/A | propamocarb HCl | 2 | 12 | N |
| 43 | Presidio 4SC | 3.0 to 4.0 fl oz/A | fluopicolide | 2 | 12 | L |
| With one of the following fungicides every 7 d as long as weather conditions favor disease development. | | | | | | |
| 40 | Revus 2.08F | 8.0 fl oz/A | mandipropamid - not labeled for escarole | 1 | 4 | -- |
| 40 | Forum 4.17SC | 6.0 fl oz/A | dimethomorph - not labeled for escarole | 0 | 12 | N |
| 40 + 45 | Zampro 525SC | 14.0 fl oz/A | dimethomorph + ametoctradin | 0 | 12 | -- |
| 49 + 40 | Orondis Ultra 2.33SC | 5.5 to 8.0 fl oz/A | oxathiapiprolin + mandipropamid | 1 | 4 | -- |

Gray Mold (*Botrytis cinera*)

Gray old is most troublesome in transplant greenhouses where air movement is poor and relative humidity high. Avoid overcrowding plants and water early in the day to help reduce leaf wetness overnight. Vent structure as much as possible to reduce relative humidity. See Table E-14 for options for *Botrytis* control in the greenhouse. In the field, rotate between the following fungicides every 7 d as long as conditions are favorable for disease development.

| Code | Product Name (* = Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) Crop Restrictions | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
|--------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---|------------|------------|-----------|
| 3 + 11 | Topguard EQ | 6.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A | flutriafol + azoxystrobin | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 7 | Endura 70WG | 8.0 to 11.0 oz/A | boscalid - not labeled for endive and escarole | 14 | 12 | -- |

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Gray Mold (*Botrytis cinera*) - continued

| | | | | | | |
|--------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|------|----|----|
| 7 + 11 | Luna Sensation 4.25SC | 7.6 fl oz/A | fluopyram + trifloxystrobin | 0/20 | 12 | -- |
| 7 + 11 | Merivon Xemium | 8.0 to 11 fl oz/A | fluxapyroxad + pyraclostrobin | 1 | 12 | N |
| 12 | Cannonball WG | 7.0 oz/A | fludioxonil | 0 | 12 | L |

Leaf Spots caused by *Septoria*, *Anthraco*, and *Cercospora* spp.

In fields with a history of leaf spot diseases, and when conditions are favorable for disease development, rotate among the following fungicides every 7 d as long as weather conditions favor disease development.

| Code | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) Crop Restrictions | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
|--------|------------------------------------|----------------------|---|------------|------------|-----------|
| 3 | Rhyme 2.08SC | 5.0 to 7.0 fl oz/A | flutriafol | 7 | 12 | -- |
| 7 | Fontelis 1.67SC | 14.0 to 24.0 fl oz/A | penthiopyrad | 3 | 12 | L |
| 7 + 11 | Luna Sensation 4.25SC | 7.6 fl oz/A | fluopyram + trifloxystrobin | 0/20 | 12 | -- |
| 7 + 11 | Merivon Xemium | 4.0 to 11.0 fl oz/A | fluxapyroxad + pyraclostrobin | 1 | 12 | N |
| 11 | azoxystrobin 2.08F | 6.0 to 15.5 fl oz/A | azoxystrobin | 0 | 4 | N |

Lettuce Drop (*Sclerotinia*)

The pathogen has a wide host range including allium, brassica, and solanaceous crops. Proper and adequate crop rotations are necessary since the pathogen can survive in soils for many years.

| Apply one of the following as a directed spray at transplanting and/or thinning. See labels for restrictions. Rotate between the following fungicides if more than one application is needed. | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------|--|------------|------------|-----------|
| Code | Product Name (*=Restricted Use) | Product Rate | Active Ingredient(s) Crop Restrictions | PHI (d) | REI (h) | Bee TR |
| 2 | iprodione 4F ¹ | 1.5 to 2.0 pt/A | iprodione | 14 | 12 | N |
| 7 | Endura 70WG | 8.0 to 11.0 oz/A | boscalid - not labeled for endive and escarole | 14 | 12 | -- |
| 7 | Fontelis 1.67SC | 16.0 to 24.0 fl oz/A | penthiopyrad | 3 | 12 | L |
| 7 + 11 | Merivon Xemium | 4.0 to 11.0 fl oz/A | fluxapyroxad + pyraclostrobin | 1 | 12 | N |
| 7 + 11 | Luna Sensation 4.25SC | 7.6 fl oz/A | fluopyram + trifloxystrobin - lettuce, endive only | 0/20 | 12 | -- |
| 7 + 12 | Miravis Prime | 13.4 fl oz/A | pydiflumetofen + fludioxonil | 0 | 12 | -- |
| 12 | Cannonball WG | 7.0 oz/A | fludioxonil | 0 | 12 | L |
| P05 | Regalia (OMRI) | 0.5 to 4.0 qt/A | Extract of <i>Reynoutria sachalinensis</i> | 0 | 4 | -- |
| Other pre-plant option: Apply Contans 5.3WG at 2.0 to 4.0 lb/A approximately 3-4 months prior to the anticipated onset of disease to allow the active agent to reduce inoculum levels of sclerotia in the soil. Following application, incorporate to a depth of 1-2 inches but do not plow before seeding or transplanting lettuce to avoid untreated sclerotia in lower soil layers from infesting the upper soil layer. | | | | | | |

¹Do not cultivate directly after application (see labels for details).

Viruses

Big-Vein:

Big Vein is favored by cool temperatures (<60°F, 16°C) and high soil moisture conditions. Produce the crop on raised beds and avoid planting in fields with low-lying areas. Soil fumigation is helpful (see section E 1.5. Soil Fumigation).

Lettuce Mosaic Virus:

Use virus-free or Mosaic Tested lettuce seed.

Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus (TSWV):

TSWV is spread from flowering ornamental plants (flowers) to lettuce by thrips. Do not grow any ornamental bedding plants in the same greenhouse as lettuce transplants. Scout and monitor for greenhouse thrips regularly and begin an insecticide control program once observed.

Turnip Mosaic Virus:

Troublesome in late summer and early fall plantings. Control weed hosts around irrigation risers and in border areas.

Yellows:

Control leafhopper vectors with insecticides - see Insect Control section above.