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SUGGESTED HERBICIDES

for Perennial Weed Control

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THIS LIST IS PROVIDED only as a general reference of materials registered for control of problem perennial weeds in various crop and noncrop⁶ situations. Trade and common names are shown with the understanding that there is no discrimination or endorsement implied by the Cooperative Extension Service.

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The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act as amended by Congress in 1972 states that herbicides and other pesticides must be applied in strict accordance with label instructions. Whenever you need to use an herbicide, read and follow the label instructions carefully.

PROBLEM WEED	PROBLEM AREA	CHEMICAL	
Bindweed (field and hedge)	Corn	2,4-D, dicamba	
	Fruit (apple and pear)	2,4-D	
	Noncrop	2,4-D, dicamba glyphosate, picloram 2,3,6-TBA	
	Pasture	2,4-D, dicamba	
	Small grains	2,4-D, dicamba	
	Turf	2,4-D	
Black Medic	Noncrop	silvex	
	Pasture	silvex	
	Turf	silvex	
Bouncing Bet	Noncrop	bromacil, fenac, picloram	
Bracken	Noncrop	bromacil, dicamba	
(eastern)	Pasture	dicamba	
	Small grains	dicamba	
Bull Thistle	Corn	2,4-D	
	Forage (alfalfa)	2,4-DB	
	Fruit (apple and pear)	2,4-D	
	Noncrop	2,4-D	
	Pasture	2,4-D, dicamba	
	Small grains	2,4-D	
	Turf	2,4-D	

^{*}Noncrop areas include industrial and nonagricultural sites, such as industrial plant sites, lumberyards, power lines, highway, railroad, and pipe line right of ways, storage areas, petroleum tank farms, fence rows and around farm buildings. Check labels for suitable areas where each herbicide may be used.

PROBLEM WEED	PROBLEM AREA	CHEMICAL
Canada Thistle	Corn	atrazine, dicamba, 2,4-D
	Fruit (apple, blue- berry, brambles, cherry, grape, peach, pear, plum)	dichlobenil
	Noncrop	amitrole + simazine, glyphosate, picloram
	Pasture	2,4-D, dicamba
	Small grains	2,4-D, dicamba
	Turf	2,4-D
	Vegetables (peas)	MCPB
Chicory	Corn	2,4-D
	Noncrop	2,4-D, dicamba picloram
	Pasture	2,4-D, dicamba
	Small grains	2,4-D
	Turf	2,4-D
Clover (white)	Corn	dicamba
	Noncrop	dicamba, picloram, 2,4,5-T
	Pasture	dicamba
	Small grains	dicamba
Marie D	Turf	mecoprop, silvex
Dandelion	Corn	2,4-D
	Fruit (apple and pear)	2,4-D
	Noncrop	amitrole, bromacil, dicamba, 2,4-D, picloram

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PROBLEM WEED	PROBLEM AREA	CHEMICAL	
Dandelion	Ornamentals	amitrole + simazine,	
(cont.)	Pasture	2,4-D, dicamba	
	Small grains	2,4-D, dicamba	
	Turf	2,4-D	
Dock (broadleaf and curled)	Corn	atrazine, 2,4-D, dicamba	
	Forage (alfalfa)	2,4-DB	
	Fruit (apple, blue- berry, brambles, cherry, grape, peach, pear, plum)	AMS, 2,4-D, dichlobenil, simazine	
	Noncrop	amitrole, AMS, 2,4-D, dicamba, glyphosate, picloram	
	Ornamentals	amitrole, dichlobenil simazine	
	Pasture	2,4-D, dicamba	
	Small grains	2,4-D, dicamba	
	Turf	2,4-D	
Goldenrods	Corn	2,4-D, dicamba	
	Fruit (apple and pear)	AMS	
	Noncrop	AMS, bromacil, dicamba, 2,4-D, picloram, 2,4,5-T	
	Pasture	2,4-D	
Groundcherry	Noncrop	picloram, silvex	
(clammy)	Pasture	silvex	
- X	Turf	silvex	
Ground Ivy	Noncrop Turf	silvex mecoprop, silvex	
Hawkweed	Corn	2,4-D	
(orange)	Noncrop	2,4-D	
	Pasture	2,4-D	
	Turf	2,4-D	
Healall	Noncrop	2,4-D	
	Pasture	2,4-D	
	Turf	2,4-D	
Horsenettle	Corn	dicamba	
	Fruit (apple and peach)	terbacil	
	Noncrop	amitrole, dicamba, picloram, 2,4,5-T	
	Ornamentals	amitrole	
	Pasture	dicamba	
	Small grains	dicamba	

PROBLEM WEED	PROBLEM AREA	CHEMICAL	
Horsetail (field)	Fruit (apple, blue- berry, brambles, cherry, grape, peach, pear)	dichlobenil	
	Noncrop	amitrole, bromacil	
	Ornamentals	dichlobenil	
Milkweed	Corn	dicamba	
(common)	Fruit (apple and pear)	AMS	
	Noncrop	amitrole, AMS, glyphosate, picloram	
	Pasture	dicamba	
	Small grains	2,4-D, dicamba	
Nutsedge (yellow)	Corn	alachlor, atrazine, butylate, EPTC + antidote	
	Noncrop	amitrole, atrazine, bromacil	
	Ornamentals	EPTC	
	Soybean	alachlor, vernolate	
	Sugar beet	cycloate	
	Vegetables (potatoes)	EPTC	
Plantains (broadleaf and buckhorn)	Corn	atrazine, 2,4-D	
	Fruit (apple, blue- berry, brambles, cherry, grape, peach, pear, plum)	dichlobenil, simazine	
	Noncrop	amitrole + simazine, bromacil, 2,4-D, fenac, prometone	
	Ornamentals	dichlobenil, simazine	
	Pasture	2,4-D	
	Small grains	2,4-D, MCPA	
	Turf	2,4-D	
Poison Ivy	Forest	amitrole	
	Fruit (apple and pear)	AMS	
	Noncrop	amitrole, AMS, dicamba, 2,4-D, 2,4,5-T, picloram	
	Ornamentals	amitrole	
	Pasture	dicamba	
Pokeweed	Corn	dicamba	
(common)	Noncrop	dicamba, picloram	
	Pasture	dicamba, 2,4-D	

PROBLEM WEED	PROBLEM AREA	CHEMICAL	
Quackgrass	Corn	EPTC + antidote atrazine, dalapon	
	Forage (legumes)	pronamide	
	Fruit (apple, blue- berry, brambles, cherry, grape, peach, pear, plum)	dichlobenil, paraquat, simazine	
	(apple and pear)	dalapon	
	(apple and peach)	terbacil	
	Noncrop	amitrole-T, atrazine, bromacil, glyphosate, pronamide	
	Ornamentals	dichlobenil, EPTC, pronamide	
	Vegetables (potatoes)	EPTC	
Red Sorrel	Corn	atrazine, dicamba	
	Fruit	pronamide, terbacil	
	Noncrop	dicamba, picloram	
	Ornamentals	amitrole + simazine	
	Pasture	dicamba	
	Turf	dicamba	
Smartweed	Corn	dicamba	
(swamp)	Fruit (apple and peach)	terbacil	
	Noncrop	amitrole, dicamba, glyphosate	
	Ornamentals	amitrole + simazine	
	Pasture	dicamba	
	Small grains	dicamba	
	Turf	dicamba	
Sowthistle (perennial)	Corn	atrazine, dicamba, 2,4-D	
	Fruit	paraquat, simazine	

PROBLEM WEED	PROBLEM AREA	CHEMICAL	
Sowthistle (cont.)	Noncrop	amitrole, atrazine, dicamba, picloram	
	Ornamentals	amitrole + simazine	
	Pasture	dicamba, 2,4-D	
	Small grains	dicamba, 2,4-D	
	Turf	2,4-D	
Trumpet Creeper	Noncrop	dicamba, 2,4-D + 2,4,5-T, 2,4,5-T	
White Cockle	Fruit (tree fruits, blueberries, brambles, grapes)	simazine	
	Noncrop	amitrole, dicamba	
	Ornamentals	amitrole + simazine	
	Small grains	dicamba	
Wild Garlic	Corn	dicamba, 2,4-D	
	Noncrop	dicamba, 2,4-D	
	Pasture	dicamba, 2,4-D	
	Small grains	dicamba, 2,4-D	
	Turf	dicamba, 2,4-D	
Woodsorrel	Corn	atrazine, dicamba	
(common yellow)	Fruit (apple, blue- berry, brambles, cherry, grape, peach, pear, plum)	dichlobenil, simazin	
	Noncrop	dicamba	
	Ornamentals	dichlobenil, simazin	
	Pasture	dicamba	
	Small grains	dicamba	
Yarrow	Noncrop	dicamba	
	Small grains	dicamba	
	Pasture	dicamba	
	Turf	dicamba, silvex	

Table 1. Index to Herbicides for Perennial Weed Control

Herbicide	TRADE NAME	Type ¹	Residual Life
alachlor	LASSO	S	2
amitrole	several	T	2
amitrole + simazine	AMIZINE	T, S	3
amitrole-T	AMITROL-T, CYTROL- AMITROLE-T	Т	2
AMS	AMMATE-X	C, T	1
atrazine	AATREX	S	3
bromacil	several	S	3
butylate	SUTAN +	S	2
cycloate	RO-NEET	S	2
2,4-D	several	T	1
dalapon	DOWPON, BASFAPON	T, S	2
2,4-DB	BUTYRAC, BUTOXONE	Т	1
dicamba	BANVEL	T	2
dichlobenil	CASORON	S	2
EPTC	EPTAM	S	2
EPTC + antidote	ERADICANE	S	2
fenac	several	S	3
glyphosate	ROUNDUP	T	1
MCPA	several	T	1
mecoprop	several	T	1
paraquat	PARAQUAT CL	C	1
picloram	TORDON	T, S	3
prometone	PRAMITOL	C, S	3
pronamide	KERB	S	2
silvex	KURON, 2,4,5-TP	T	1
simazine	PRINCEP	S	3
2,4,5-T	several	T	2
2,3,6-TBA	several	T, S	3
terbacil	SINBAR	S	3
vernolate	VERNAM	S	2

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C = Foliar Applied — Contact
 S = Soil Applied
 T = Foliar Applied — Translocated

^{2 1 —} Short residual (less than a month)
2 — Intermediate residual (1-6 months)
3 — Long residual (up to a year or more)