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Commercial Vegetable

Production Recommendations

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The **label** is a legally-binding contract between the user and the manufacturer. The user must follow all rates and restrictions as per label directions. The use of any pesticide inconsistent with the label directions is a violation of Federal law.

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Pesticide Use Disclaimer

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Before using a pesticide, check the label for up to date rates and restrictions.

Labels can be downloaded from: <http://www.cdms.net/>, <http://www.greenbook.net/> or <http://www.agrian.com/labelcenter/results.cfm>

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

1. Pesticides are listed by **group or code number based on chemical structure and mode of action**, as classified by the Weed Science Society of America (WSSA) for herbicides, the Insecticide Resistance Action Committee (IRAC) for insecticides, and the Fungicide Resistance Action Committee (FRAC) for fungicides.
If the number is in bold font, the product may have resistance concerns.
2. For **restricted use pesticides**, the restricted active ingredients are labeled with a *. See the Pesticide Safety chapter for more information.
3. **In addition to the pesticides listed below, other formulations or brands with the same active ingredient(s) may be available. ALWAYS CHECK THE LABEL:**
 - a) to ensure a pesticide is labeled for the same use,
 - b) to ensure the pesticide is labeled for the desired crop, and
 - c) for additional restrictions.
4. All pesticide recommendations are made for spraying a **broadcast area of 1 acre** (43,560 square feet). **Adjust the rate for banded applications** (for more information, see the Pest Management chapter, Calibrating Granular Applicators section).
5. Check the label for 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 crop if bees are present; H=highly toxic, severe losses expected, -- = data not available.

Lettuce, Endive and Escarole

Recommended Varieties¹

Crop	Type	Variety	Color	Season ²		Disease Resistance ³			Environment		
				Sp	LSF	DM	LMV	CR	Heat ⁴	Tip ⁵	
Lettuce	Bibb	Buttercrunch	Green	X							
		Winter Density	Green	X	X						
	Boston	Nancy	Green	X			X				
		Optima	Green	X		X	X			X	
	Butterhead	Adriana	Green	X		X	X		X	X	
		Forlina	Green	X	X	X	X		X		
		Harmony	Green	X		X	X			X	
		Hungarina	Green	X	X	X	X		X		
		Rex ⁶	Green	X	X	X			X	X	
		Skyphos	Red	X		X	X				
	Crisp	Cherokee	Red	X	X	X			X		
		Magenta	Red	X	X	X	X				
		Muir	Green	X	X	X	X		X		
		Nevada	Green	X	X				X	X	
		Sierra	Green	X	X				X		
	Iceberg	Ithaca	Green	X	X						
		Summer Time	Green	X					X		
	Leaf	Bergams Green	Green	X	X				X	X	X
		Green Star	Green	X	X	X			X	X	
		New Red Fire	Red	X	X						
		Red Express	Red	X	X						
		Red Sails	Red	X							
		Royal Oakleaf	Green	X							
		Starfighter	Green	X	X	X			X		
		Tropicana	Green	X	X				X	X	
		Two Star	Green	X	X				X	X	
		Waldmann's Green	Green	X							
	Romaine	Coastal Star	Green	X					X		
		Cuore	Green	X		X					
		Dov	Green	X	X				X		
Green Forest		Green	X				X		X		
Helvius		Green	X		X	X	X		X		
Ideal Cos		Green	X	X					X		
Monte Carlo		Green	X		X				X		
Pomegranate Crunch		Red		X							
Rouge de Hiver		Red	X								
Endive	Endive	Green Curled	Green	X							
		Keystone	Green	X						X	
		Salad King	Green	X							
Escarole	Escarole	Florida Deep Heart	Green	X							
		Full Heart	Green	X							

¹Listed alphabetically. 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 the Soil and Nutrient Management chapter. Your state's soil test report recommendations and/or your farm's nutrient management plan supersede recommendations found below.

Recommended Nutrients Based on Soil Tests - continued

	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	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	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

Lettuces for Salad Mixes - See also the “Specialty Vegetables” section.

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 seedstalk formation and bolting in lettuce. Temperatures below 70°F (21°C) during the seedling stage promote premature seedstalk formation in endive and escarole.

Seed Treatment Treat seeds to prevent disease. See Disease Control below.

Seeding and Transplanting

Spring Crop: The early endive and escarole crop is usually grown from transplants shipped into the region. Lettuce transplants are started in frames or greenhouses. Lettuce seed is 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 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. The spring lettuce crop can be field-seeded or transplanted through May. In the southern part of the region, planting after April results in seed stalk formation. Only leaf lettuce should be seeded as late as May. Successive plantings of endive can be made through the middle of August.

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

Fall Lettuce Crop: 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.

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

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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-2) in the Pest Management chapter.
2. Minimize herbicide resistance development. Identify the herbicide site mode of action group and follow recommended good management practices. Include non-chemical weed control whenever possible.

1. Soil-Applied (Preplant, Preemergence, or After Transplanting)						
Group	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient (* = Restricted Use)	Active Ingredient Rate	PHI (d)	REI (h)
8	Prefar 4E	5 to 6 qt/A	bensulide	5.0 to 6.0 lb/A	--	12
-Labeled for preplant or preemergence applications. 24© label for NJ only allows applications up to 9 qt/A. Use on mineral soils only. -If applied preemergence, irrigate within 36 hr of application with ½ inch of water; if not incorporated with rainfall or within 36 hr, 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.						
15	Kerb 50-W (WP) Kerb 3.3SC	2 to 4 lb/A, 2 to 5 pt/A	pronamide*	1.0 to 2.0 lb/A	55	24
- Kerb 50-W is labeled for head lettuce, endive, and escarole. - Kerb 3.3SC has a supplemental label for leaf lettuce; rates for leaf lettuce range from 1.25 to 5 pt/A Kerb SC -Applications can be made preplant, preemergence, or after lettuce has 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/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 50W 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 crop. -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	Product Rate	Active Ingredient (* = Restricted Use)	Active Ingredient Rate	PHI (d)	REI (h)
1	Select 2 EC, Select Max 0.97EC	6 to 8 fl oz 9 to 16 fl oz/A	clethodim	0.07 to 0.12 lb/A	14	24
1	Poast 1.5EC	1 to 1.5 pt/A	sethoxydim	0.2 to 0.28 lb/A	15/30	12
- Select 2EC: use crop oil concentrate (COC) at 1% v/v (1 gal/100 gal of spray solution). Select Max: use nonionic surfactant (NIS) at 0.25% v/v (1 qt/100 gal of spray solution). Poast: Apply with COC at 1.0% v/v. The use of COC may increase the risk of crop injury when hot or humid conditions prevail. To reduce the risk of crop injury, omit additives or switch to nonionic surfactant when grasses are small and soil moisture is adequate. -Controls many annual and certain perennial grasses, including annual bluegrass, but will not consistently control goosegrass. Control may be reduced if grasses are large or under hot or dry weather conditions. Use lower labeled rates for annual grass control and higher labeled rates for perennial grass control. Yellow nutsedge, wild onion, wild garlic, and broadleaf weeds will not be controlled. -If repeat applications are necessary, allow 14 d between applications. - 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 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 of Select Max in a single application and do not exceed 4 pt/A for the season. -Rainfastness 1 hr. Do not apply more than 1.5 pt/A Poast in single application and do not exceed 3 pt/A for the season. - Poast 1.5 EC labeled for leaf and head-type lettuces (PHI=15 d for leaf types, 30 d for head types).						

3. Postharvest						
Group	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient (*= Restricted Use)	Active Ingredient Rate	PHI (d)	REI (h)
22	Gramoxone 2SL	2.25 to 3 pt/A	paraquat*	0.56 to 0.75 lb/A	--	24

-A Special Local-Needs 24© label has been approved for the use of Gramoxone SL 2.0 for postharvest crop desiccation in DE, NJ and VA. Apply after the last harvest. Always include an adjuvant. Spray coverage is essential for optimum effectiveness. See the label for additional information and warnings. Rainfastness 30 minutes. A maximum of 2 applications for crop desiccation are allowed.

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	Active Ingredient (*= Restricted Use)				
3	Treflan	trifluralin				
14	Aim	carfentrazone				

Insect Control

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Recommended Insecticides

Aphids On fall crop, 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	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*= Restricted Use) and Crop Restrictions	PHI (d)	REI (h)	Bee TR
1A	Lannate LV	1.5 to 3.0 fl oz/A	methomyl* (check the label for PHI)	7/10	48	H
1B	Acephate 97UP	0.5 to 1.0 lb/A	acephate - only labeled for head lettuce	21	24	H
1B	Dimethoate 400	0.5 pt/A	dimethoate* - not labeled for head lettuce	14	48	H
3A + 4A	Endigo ZC	4.0 to 4.5 fl oz/A	lambda-cyhalothrin + thiamethoxam* - only labeled for head and leaf lettuce	7	24	H
3A + 4A	Leverage 360	3.0 fl oz/A	imidacloprid + beta-cyfluthrin*	7	12	H
4A	Actara	1.5 to 3.0 oz/A	thiamethoxam	7	12	H
4A	Admire Pro	4.4 to 10.5 fl oz/A	imidacloprid - soil	21	12	H
4A	Admire Pro	1.3 fl oz/A	imidacloprid - foliar	7	12	H
4A	Assail 30SG	2.0 to 4.0 oz/A	acetamiprid	7	12	M
4A	Belay	9.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A	clothianidin - soil	21	12	H
4A	Belay	3.0 to 4.0 fl oz/A	clothianidin - foliar	7	12	H
4A	Platinum 75SG	1.66 to 3.67 oz/A	thiamethoxam	30	12	H
4C	Closer SC	1.5 to 2 fl oz/A	sulfoxaflor	3	12	H
9B	Fulfill 50WP	2.75 oz/A	pymetrozine	7	12	N
9C	Beleaf 50SG	2.0 to 2.8 oz/A	flonicamid	0	12	L
23	Movento	4.0 to 5.0 fl oz/A	spirotetramat	3	24	L
28 + 6	Minecto Pro	10.0 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole + abamectin*	7	12	H

Beet Armyworms

Apply one of the following formulations:						
Group	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*= Restricted Use) 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
5	Entrust SC (OMRI)	4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A	spinosad	1	4	M
5	Radiant SC	5.0 to 10.0 oz/A	spinetoram	1	4	H
6	Proclaim 5 SG	2.4 to 4.8 fl oz/A	emamectin benzoate*	7	12	H
18	Intrepid 2F	4.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A	methoxyfenozide	1	4	N
22A	Avaunt	3.5 to 6 fl oz/A	indoxacarb	3	12	H
28	Coragen	3.5 to 7.5 fl oz/A	chlorantraniliprole	1	4	L
28	Exirel	7 to 13.5 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole - foliar	1	12	H
28	Verimark	5 to 10 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole - soil	NA	4	H
28 + 6	Minecto Pro	5.5 to 10.0 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole + abamectin*	7	12	H

Cabbage Loopers

Apply one of the following formulations:						
Group	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) 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
3A	Baythroid XL	1.6 to 2.4 fl oz/A	beta-cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Bifenture EC	2.1 to 6.4 fl oz/A	bifenthrin* - head lettuce only	7	12	H
3A	Perm-Up 3.2	2 to 8 fl oz/A	permethrin*	1	12	H
3A	Tombstone	1.6 to 2.4 fl oz/A	cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Warrior II	0.96 to 1.6 fl oz/A	lambda-cyhalothrin* - head and leaf lettuce	1	24	H
6	Proclaim 5 SG	3.2 to 4.8 fl oz/A	emamectin benzoate*	7	12	H
11A	Dipel (OMRI)	½ to 1 lb/A	<i>Bacillus thuringiensis kurstaki</i>	0	4	N
18	Intrepid 2F (early season)	4 to 8 fl oz/A	methoxyfenozide	1	4	N
18	Intrepid 2F (late season)	8 to 10 fl oz/A	methoxyfenozide	1	4	N
22A	Avaunt	2.5 to 3.5 fl oz/A	indoxacarb	3	12	H
28	Coragen	3.5 to 7.5 fl oz/A	chlorantraniliprole	1	4	L
28	Exirel	10 to 17 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole - foliar	1	12	H
28	Verimark	6.75 to 13.5 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole - soil	n/a	4	H
28 + 6	Minecto Pro	7.5 to 10.0 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole + abamectin*	7	12	H

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 center leaves start to form a head (15-18 leaf stage). Apply Lannate every 2-5 days or permethrin every 5-10 days according to CEW moth populations and pest management alerts.

Apply one of the following formulations:						
Group	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) 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
3A	Baythroid XL	2.4 to 3.2 fl oz/A	beta-cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Bifenture EC	2.1 to 6.4 fl oz/A	bifenthrin* - head lettuce only	7	12	H
3A	Perm-Up 3.2	4 to 8 fl oz/A	permethrin*	1	12	H
3A	Tombstone	2.4 to 3.2 fl oz/A	cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Warrior II	1.28 to 1.92 fl oz/A	lambda-cyhalothrin* - head and leaf lettuce	1	24	H
5	Radiant SC	5.0 to 10.0 oz/A	spinetoram	1	4	H
6	Proclaim	2.4 to 4.8 fl oz/A	emamectin benzoate*	7	12	H
28	Coragen	3.5 to 7.5 fl oz/A	chlorantraniliprole	1	4	L
28	Exirel	7 to 13.5 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole - foliar	1	12	H
28	Verimark	5 to 10 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole - soil	n/a	4	H
28 + 6	Minecto Pro	5.5 to 10.0 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole + abamectin*	7	12	H

Cutworms - See also the Pest Management chapter, Insect Management section.

Apply one of the following formulations:						
Group	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) and Crop Restrictions	PHI (d)	REI (h)	Bee TR
1A	Lannate LV	1.5 pt/A	methomyl* (check the label for PHI)	7/10	48	H
3A	Baythroid XL	0.8 to 1.6 fl oz/A	beta-cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Bifenture EC	2.1 to 6.4 fl oz/A	bifenthrin* - head lettuce only	7	12	H
3A	Mustang Maxx	2.24 to 4.0 fl oz/A	zeta-cyhalothrin*	1	12	H
3A	Perm-Up 3.2	4 to 8 fl oz/A	permethrin*	1	12	H
3A	Tombstone	0.8 to 1.6 fl oz/A	cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Warrior II	0.96 to 1.6 fl oz/A	lambda-cyhalothrin* - head and leaf lettuce	1	24	H
3A+ 4A	Leverage 360	3.0 fl oz/A	imidacloprid + beta-cyfluthrin*	7	12	H
3A + 28	Voliam Xpress	6 to 9 fl oz/A	lambda-cyhalothrin + chlorantraniliprole*	1	24	H

Leafhoppers

Control of leafhoppers will prevent 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.

Leafhoppers - continued

Apply one of the following formulations:						
Group	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) 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	Acephate 97 UP	0.5 to 1 lb/A	acephate - head lettuce only	21	24	H
1B	Dimethoate 400	0.5 pt/A	dimethoate* - not labeled for head lettuce	14	48	H
3A	Baythroid XL	2.4 to 3.2 fl oz/A	beta-cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Perm-Up 3.2	2 to 8 fl oz/A	permethrin*	1	12	H
3A	Tombstone	2.4 to 3.2 fl oz/A	cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Warrior II	1.28 to 1.92 fl oz/A	zeta-cyhalothrin*	1	24	H
3A + 4A	Leverage 360	3.0 fl oz/A	imidacloprid + beta-cyfluthrin*	7	12	H
4A	Actara	1.5 to 3 fl oz/A	thiamethoxam	7	12	H
4A	Admire Pro	4.4 to 10.5 fl oz/A	imidacloprid - soil	21	12	H
4A	Admire Pro	1.3 fl oz/A	imidacloprid - foliar	7	12	H
4A	Belay	9 to 12 fl oz/A	clothianidin - soil	21	12	H
4A	Belay	3 to 4 fl oz/A	clothianidin - foliar	7	12	H
4A	Platinum	5 to 11 fl oz/A	thiamethoxam	30	12	H
4A	Scorpion 35SL	9.0 to 10.5 fl oz/A	dinotofuran - soil	21	12	H
4A	Scorpion 35SL	2.0 to 5.25 fl oz/A	dinotofuran - foliar	7	12	H
4A	Venom 70SG	5.0 to 7.5 fl oz/A	dinotofuran - soil	21	12	H
4A	Venom 70SG	1.0 to 3.0 fl oz/A	dinotofuran - foliar	7	12	H
16	Courier SC	9 to 13.6 fl oz/A	buprofezin	7	12	L

Leafminers

Apply one of the following formulations:						
Group	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) and Crop Restrictions	PHI (d)	REI (h)	Bee TR
1B	Dimethoate 400	0.5 pt/A	dimethoate* - not labeled for head lettuce	14	48	H
3A	Perm-Up 3.2	4 to 8 fl oz/A	permethrin*	1	12	H
4A	Scorpion 35 SL	9 to 10.5 fl oz/A	dinotofuran - soil	21	12	H
4A	Scorpion 35 SL	2 to 5.25 fl oz/A	dinotofuran - foliar	7	12	H
4A	Venom 70 SG	1 to 3 fl oz/A	dinotofuran	7	12	H
4A	Venom 70 SG	5 to 7.5 fl oz/A	dinotofuran	21	12	H
5	Entrust SC (OMRI)	6.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A	spinosad	1	4	M
5	Radiant SC	6.0 to 10.0 oz/A	spinetoram	1	4	H
6	Agri-Mek	1.75 to 3.5 fl oz/A	abamectin*	7	12	H
17	Trigard	2.66 oz/A	cyromazine	7	12	H
28	Coragen (larvae only)	5.0 to 7.5 fl oz/A	chlorantraniliprole	1	4	L
28	Exirel	13.5 to 20.5 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole	1	12	H
28	Verimark	6.75 to 13.5 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole	NA	4	H
28 + 6	Minecto Pro	5.5 to 10.0 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole + abamectin*	7	12	H

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	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) and Crop Restrictions	PHI (d)	REI (h)	Bee TR
1B	Sevin XLR Plus	1 to 2 qt/A	carbaryl	14	12	H
3A	Baythroid XL	2.4 to 3.2 fl oz/A	beta-cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Bifenture EC	5.12 to 6.4 fl oz/A	bifenthrin* - head lettuce only	7	12	H
3A	Mustang Maxx	3.2 to 4.0 fl oz/A	zeta-cyhalothrin*	1	12	H
3A	Tombstone	2.4 to 3.2 fl oz/A	cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Warrior II	1.28 to 1.92 fl oz/A	lambda-cyhalothrin* - head and leaf lettuce	1	24	H
3A + 4A	Endigo ZC	4 to 4.5 fl oz/A	lambda-cyhalothrin+thiamethoxam* - head and leaf lettuce	7	24	H

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.

F Lettuce, Endive and Escarole

Thrips - continued

Apply one of the following formulations:						
Group	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) and Crop Restrictions	PHI (d)	REI (h)	Bee TR
1A	Lannate LV	1.5 to 3.0 fl oz/A	methomyl* (check the label for PHI)	7/10	48	H
3A	Baythroid XL	0.8 to 1.6 fl oz/A	beta-cyfluthrin*	0	12	H
3A	Hero EC (onion thrips only)	10.3 fl oz/A	zeta-cypermethrin + bifenthrin* - only labeled for head lettuce	7	12	H
3A	Mustang Maxx	3.2 to 4.0 fl oz/A	zeta-cypermethrin*	1	12	H
3A + 4A	Leverage 360	3.0 fl oz/A	imidacloprid + beta-cyfluthrin*	7	12	H
5	Entrust SC (OMRI)	6.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A	spinosad	1	4	M
5	Radiant SC	6.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A	spinetoram	1	4	H
28	Exirel	13.5 to 20.5 fl oz/A	cyantraniliprole	1	12	H

Disease Control

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Recommended Fungicides

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 mefenoxam 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	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) 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	mefenoxam	AP	12	N
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
4 + 11	Uniform 3.66SE	0.34 fl oz/1000 row	mefenoxam + azoxystrobin	AP	0	N

Bacterial and Fungal Diseases

Bottom Rot caused by *Rhizoctonia*

A midsummer application of a soil fumigant will be beneficial for a fall crop (See Soil Fumigation section in the Pest Management chapter). For the spring and fall crops, all fields should receive one of the following fungicide applications one week after transplanting or thinning and at 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	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) Crop Restrictions	PHI (d)	REI (h)	Bee TR
2	iprodione ¹	1.5 to 2.0 lb 50WP/A	iprodione	14	12	N
4 + 11	Uniform	0.34 fl oz 3.66SE/1000 ft row	mefenoxam + azoxystrobin	AP	0	--
7	Endura	8.0 to 11.0 oz 70W/A	boscalid ¹ - not labeled for Endive and Escarole	14	12	--

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*)

Ridomil Gold 4SL, Ultra Flourish 2E, or MetaStar 2E used for damping-off 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.

Downy Mildew - continued

Code	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) Crop Restrictions	PHI (d)	REI (h)	Bee TR
Rotate one of the following fungicides:						
7 + 11	Merivon 2.09SC	8.0 to 11.0 fl oz/A	fluxapyroxad + azoxystrobin	1	12	N
11	Reason 500SC	5.5 to 8.2 fl oz/A	fenamidone - not labeled for Endive and Escarole	2	12	--
28	Previcur Flex 6F	1.33 pt/A	propamocarb HCL	2	12	N
With one of the following FRAC code 40 fungicides every 7 d as long as weather conditions favor disease development.						
40	Revus 2.08SC	8.0 fl oz/A	mandipropamid - not labeled for Escarole	1	4	N
40	Forum 4.18SV	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	--

Gray Mold (*Botrytis cinera*)

Gray mold 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-10 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	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) Crop Restrictions	PHI (d)	REI (h)	Bee TR
7	Endura 70WG	8.0 to 11.0 oz/A	boscalid - not labeled for Endive and Escarole	14	12	--
7 + 11	Merivon 2.09SC	8.0 to 11 fl oz/A	fluxapyroxad + pyraclostrobin	1	12	N
12	Cannonball 50WP	7.0 oz/A	fludioxonil	0	12	L
14	Botran 75WP	2.0 to 5.3 lb/A	dichloran	14	12	N

Leaf Spots caused *Septoria*, *Anthracnose*, and *Cercospora* spp.

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

Code	Product Name	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) Crop Restrictions	PHI (d)	REI (h)	Bee TR
7	Fontelis 1.67SC	14.0 to 24.0 fl oz/A	penthiopyrad	3	12	L
7 + 11	Merivon 2.09SC	4.0 to 11.0 fl oz/A	fluxapyroxad + pyraclostrobin	14	12	N
11	azoxystrobin 2.08F	6.0 to 15.5 fl oz/A	azoxystrobin	0	4	N

Lettuce Drop (*Sclerotinia sclerotiorum*)

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	Product Rate	Active Ingredient(s) (*=Restricted Use) Crop Restrictions	PHI (d)	REI (h)	Bee TR
2	iprodione 50WP ¹	1.5 to 2.0 lb/A	iprodione	14	12	N
7	Endura 70W	8.0 to 11.0 oz/A	boscalid - not labeled for Endive and Escarole	14	12	--
12	Cannonball 50WP	7.0 oz/A	fludioxonil	0	12	L
Other preplant 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 Pest Management chapter). **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.

For Immediate Medical Attention

Call 911

**For a Pesticide Exposure Poisoning
Emergency Call**



For All States

This number will automatically connect you to the poison center nearest you.

Anyone with a poisoning emergency can call the toll-free telephone number for help. Personnel at the Center will give you first-aid information and direct you to local treatment centers if necessary.

For Pesticide Spills

Small Spills: See the product label for cleanup advice.

Large spills: Call the National Response Center at 1-800-424-8802 or CHEMTREC at 800-424-9300 (24 hours) - Industry assistance with emergency response cleanup procedures for large, dangerous spills.

Be aware of your responsibility to report spills to the proper state agency.