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TOMATOES

Recommended Market Tomatoes

Variety	Hybrid	Type	Season	Culture ¹	Use ²	Disease Reactions ³	Habit
Applause	Yes	Globe, Red	Early	Field	DM, LW	V,F	Determinate
Primo Red	Yes	Globe, Red	Early	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,Tomv	Determinate
Sunshine	Yes	Globe, Red	Early	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,Gls	Determinate
Sunstart	Yes	Globe, Red	Early	Field, HT	DM, LW, S	V,F,Gls	Determinate
Amelia	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	LW, S	V,F,Tswv	Determinate
BHN 1009	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	LW, S	V,F	Determinate
BHN 589	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field, HT	DM, LW	V,F,Tomv	Determinate
BHN 961	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,Tomv	Determinate
BHN 964	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,Tomv,Eb	Determinate
Brandy Boy	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field, HT	DM, LW		Determinate
Charger	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field, HT	DM, LW, S	V,F,Gls,Asc,Tylc	Determinate
Crista	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,V,Tswv	Determinate
Defiant	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	DM, LW	V,F,Lb	Determinate
Floralina	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	DM, LW	V,F,Asc,Gls	Determinate
Florida 47R	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	LW, S	V,F,Asc,Gls	Determinate
Mountain Glory	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,Gls,Tswv	Determinate
Mountain Spring	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	DM, LW	V,F	Determinate
Mt. Merit	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,N,Tswv, Lb,	Determinate
Red Deuce	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,Tomv,Gls,Asc	Determinate
Red Defender	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,N,Tswv	Determinate
Rocky Top	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field, HT	DM, LW, S	V,F,Gls	Determinate
Scarlet Red	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field, HT	DM, LW, S	V,F	Determinate
Sunbrite	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field, HT	DM, LW, S	V,F	Determinate
SunGuard	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid	Field, HT	DM, LW	V,F,Gls,Asc	Determinate
BHN 871	Yes	Globe, Yellow	Mid	Field, HT	DM, LW	V,F,Tomv	Determinate
Carolina Gold	Yes	Globe, Yellow	Mid	Field	DM, LW	V,F	Determinate
Lemon Boy	Yes	Globe, Yellow	Mid	Field, HT	DM, LW	V,F,N	Indeterminate
BHN602	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid, Late	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,Tswv	Determinate
Florida 91	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid, Late	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,Asc,Gls	Determinate
Mt. Fresh Plus	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid, Late	Field	DM, LW, S	V,F,N	Determinate
Phoenix	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid, Late	Field	LW, S	V,F,Asc,Gls	Determinate
Red Bounty	Yes	Globe, Red	Mid, Late	Field, HT	DM, LW	V,F,N,Gls,Tswv	Determinate

¹Culture: Field = For field growing, HT = for growing in a High Tunnel (Abbreviations applicable to this table; not necessarily elsewhere in this guide.)

²Use: DM = direct market (roadside, farmer's market); LW = Local wholesale; S = Shipping (Abbreviations applicable to this table; not necessarily elsewhere in this guide.)

³Resistances or tolerances: V = Verticillium wilt; F = Fusarium wilt; N = Root knot nematode, Asc = Alternaria stem canker; GlS = Gray leaf spot; Tomv = Tomato mosaic virus; Tswv = Tomato spotted wilt virus; Lb = Late blight; Eb = Early blight.

For information on resistance to specific disease races or species contact your seed supplier. (Abbreviations applicable to this table; not necessarily elsewhere in this guide.)

Recommended Plum, Cluster, Cherry, and Grape Tomatoes

Variety	Type	Color	Hybrid	Disease Reactions ¹	Form
Plum Crimson	Plum	Red	Yes	V,F	Determinate
Plum Dandy	Plum	Red	Yes	V,F	Determinate
Plum Regal	Plum	Red	Yes	V,F,Lb,Tswv,	Determinate
Picus	Plum	Red	Yes	V,F,Asc,Gls,Tswv	Determinate
Pony Express	Plum	Red	Yes	V,F,N,Tomv,Bs	Determinate
Mariana	Plum	Red	Yes	V,F,N,Asc	Determinate
Victoria Supreme	Plum	Red	Yes	V,F,N,Asc,Gls	Determinate
Health Kick	Plum	Red	Yes	V,F,Asc,Tswv,Bs	Determinate
Mt. Magic	Small cluster	Red	Yes	V,F,Lb	Indeterminate
BHN 762	Cherry	Red	Yes	V,F	Determinate
Sun Sugar	Cherry	Orange	Yes	F, Tmv	Indeterminate
Mountain Bell	Cherry	Red	Yes	V,F	Indeterminate

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Recommended Plum, Cluster, Cherry, and Grape Tomatoes *(continued)*

Variety	Type	Color	Hybrid	Disease Reactions ¹	Form
Sweet Chelsea	Cherry	Red	Yes	V,F,N,Tomv	Indeterminate
Sun Gold	Cherry	Orange	Yes	F, Tomv	Indeterminate
Sweet Treats	Cherry	Pink	Yes	F,Tomv,Gls	Indeterminate
BHN 785	Grape	Red	Yes	F	Determinate
Mini Charm	Grape	Red	Yes	V,F,Tomv	Indeterminate
Smarty	Grape	Red	Yes	V, F	Indeterminate
Jolly Elf	Grape	Red	Yes	V,F	Determinate
Jolly Girl	Grape	Red	Yes	V, F	Determinate
Cupid	Grape	Red	Yes	F, Asc	Indeterminate
Juliet	Large Grape	Red	Yes		Indeterminate

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(Abbreviations applicable to this table; not necessarily elsewhere in this guide.)

Gls = Gray leaf spot; Tomv = Tomato mosaic virus; Tswv = Tomato spotted wilt virus; Lb = Late blight; Eb = Early blight. .
(Abbreviations applicable to this table; not necessarily elsewhere in this guide.)

Tmv = Tobacco mosaic virus. For information on resistance to specific disease races or species contact your seed supplier. .
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Recommended Heirloom Tomatoes

Variety	Maturity	Size	Shape	Color	Plant Form
Mortgage Lifter	Late	Large	Beefsteak	Pink skin, Pink flesh	Indeterminate
Hawaiian Pineapple	Late	Large	Beefsteak	Orange bicolor	Indeterminate
Prudens Purple	Mid	Large	Globe	Deep pink skin and flesh	Indeterminate, potato leaf
Mister Stripy	Late	Large	Round	Bicolor red and yellow	Indeterminate
Brandywine Red	Late	Large	Beefsteak	Red skin, red flesh	Indeterminate, potato leaf
Box Car Willie	Late	Med-large	Globe	Red skin, red flesh	Indeterminate
Eva Purple Ball	Mid	Medium	Round	Deep pink skin and flesh	Indeterminate
Arkansas Traveler	Late	Medium	Round	Red skin, red flesh	Indeterminate
Costoluto Genovese	Late	Medium	Ribbed flat globe	Red skin and flesh	Indeterminate
Snow White	Late	Small	Round cherry	Yellow skin and flesh	Indeterminate
Yellow Pear	Late	Small	Small pear	Yellow skin and flesh	Indeterminate

Recommended Processing Tomatoes

Variety	Season	Hybrid	Disease reactions ¹
TSH4	Early	Yes	V,F,Bs
H-3402	Mid	Yes	V,F,N,Bs
H-9704	Mid	Yes	V,F,Asc
H-9997	Early	Yes	V,F,N,Asc,Bs

¹Disease resistance or tolerance: V = F = Fusarium wilt, Asc = Alternaria stem canker, N = Root knot nematode, Bs = Bacterial speck

Recommended Nutrients Based on Soil Tests

Before using the table below, refer to important notes in the Soil and Nutrient Management chapter in Section B and your soil test report. These notes and soil test reports provide additional suggestions to adjust rate, timing, and placement of nutrients. Your state's soil test report recommendations and/or your farm's nutrient management plan supercede recommendations found below.

Tomatoes	Pounds N per Acre	Soil Phosphorus Level				Soil Potassium Level				Nutrient Timing and Method
		Low	Med	High	Very	Low	Med	High	Very	
				(Opt.)	High			(Opt.)	High	
		Pounds P ₂ O ₅ per Acre				Pounds K ₂ O per Acre				
Bare-Ground	80-90	200	150	100	0 ¹	300	200	100	0 ¹	Total nutrient recommended.
Fresh Market	40-45	200	150	100	0 ¹	300	200	100	0 ¹	Broadcast and disk-in.
	40-45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Sidedress when first fruits are set.
Processing	50-75	200	150	100	0 ¹	250	150	100	0 ¹	Total nutrient recommended.
Marchine Harvest	25	200	150	100	0 ¹	250	150	100	0 ¹	Broadcast and disk-in.
	25-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Sidedress at first cultivation.
Polyethylene	150-210	200	150	100	0 ¹	300	200	100	0 ¹	Total nutrient recommended.
Mulched	0	200	150	100	0 ¹	150	100	50	0	Broadcast and disk-in.
Fresh Market	50-85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Incorporate into the plant bed before laying polyethylene mulch.
	90-125	0	0	0	0	150	100	50	0 ¹	Fertigate 0.5 to 2.5 pounds per day. See chart and Drip/Trickle Fertilization section.

Apply 1.0 to 2.0 pounds of boron (B) per acre with broadcast fertilizer. See Table B-10 for more specific boron recommendations.

¹In Virginia, crop replacement values of 50 lbs. P₂O₅ and 50 lbs. K₂O per acre are recommended on soils testing Very High.

Suggested Fertigation Schedule for Coarse-Textured Soils – Fresh Market Tomatoes

Days After Planting	Daily		Cumulative	
	Nitrogen ¹	Potash ^{1,2}	Nitrogen ¹	Potash ^{1,2}
-----lbs/A-----				
Preplant ³	---	---	50	125
0-14	0.5	0.5	57	132
15-28	0.7	0.7	67	142
29-42	1.0	1.0	81	156
43-56	1.5	1.5	102	177
57-77	2.2	2.2	148	223
78-98	2.5	2.5	201	276

¹Adjust rates accordingly if you apply more or less preplant nitrogen and potash.

²Base overall application rate on soil test recommendations.

³Applied under plastic mulch to effective bed area using modified broadcast method. Adjust as needed.

Rates above are for 6 foot bed centers. Adjust proportionally for other widths. See Fertigation in C-Irrigation Management for more information.

Suggested Fertigation Schedule for Fine-Textured Soils - Fresh Market Tomatoes

Days After Planting	By Days After Planting Period	Cumulative Amount Applied		
		Nitrogen (N) ¹	Potash (K ₂ O) ^{1,2}	Potash (K ₂ O) ^{1,2}
lb/acre				
Preplant ³	-	-	72	52
0-14 (14 days)	2.5	2.5	74.5	54.5
15-28 (13 days)	3.5	3.5	78	58
29-42 (13 days)	4.5	4.5	82.5	62.5
43-56 (13 days)	6.5	6.5	89	69
57-77 (20 days)	15	15	104	84
78-98 (20 days)	17	17	121	101

¹Adjust rates accordingly if you apply more or less preplant nitrogen and potash.

²Base overall application rate on soil test recommendations.

³Applied under plastic mulch to effective bed area using modified broadcast method. Adjust as needed.

Rates above are for 6 foot bed centers. Adjust proportionally for other widths. See Fertigation in C-Irrigation Management for more information.

Plant Tissue Testing and Petiole Sap Testing

Plant tissue testing and petiole sap testing are valuable tools to assess crop nutrient status during the growing season, to aid with in-season fertility programs, or to evaluate potential deficiencies or toxicities. The following are critical petiole sap and tissue test values for tomatoes.

Tomato Developmental Stage	Fresh Petiole Sap Concentration (ppm)	
	NO ₃ -N	K
First buds	1000-1200	3500-4000
First open flowers	600-800	3500-4000
Fruits one-inch diameter	400-600	3000-3500
Fruits two-inch diameter	400-600	3000-3500
First harvest	300-400	2500-3000
Second harvest	200-400	2000-2500

Critical tomato tissue test values.

Timing	Value	N	P	K	Ca	Mg	S	Fe	Mn	Zn	B	Cu	Mo
		%	%	%	%	%	%	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
Most recently matured leaves prior to blossom	Deficient	<3.0	0.3	3	1	0.3	0.3	<40	30	25	20	5	0.3
	Adequate range	3	0.3	3	1	0.3	0.3	40	30	25	20	5	0.2
		5	0.6	5	2	0.5	0.8	100	100	40	40	15	0.6
	High	>5.0	0.6	5	2	0.5	0.8	>100	100	40	40	15	0.6
	Toxic (>)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Most recently matured leaves at first flower	Deficient	<2.8	0.2	2.5	1	0.3	0.3	<40	30	25	20	5	0.2
	Adequate range	2.8	0.2	2.5	1	0.3	0.3	40	30	25	20	5	0.2
		4	0.4	4	2	0.5	0.8	100	100	40	40	15	0.6
	High	>4.0	0.4	4	2	0.5	0.8	>100	100	40	40	15	0.2
	Toxic (>)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1500	300	250	-	-
Most recently matured leaves at early fruit set	Deficient	<2.5	0.2	2.5	1	0.25	0.3	<40	30	20	20	5	0.2
	Adequate range	2.5	0.2	2.5	1	0.25	0.3	40	30	20	20	5	0.2
		4	0.4	4	2	0.5	0.6	100	100	40	40	10	0.6
	High	>4.0	0.4	4	2	0.5	0.6	>100	100	40	40	10	0.6
	Toxic (>)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	250	-	-

Seed Treatment

Hot water treatment is administered to eradicate bacterial pathogens from seeds. Check with your seed company to determine if seed is hot water treated. Purchase hot water treated seed if possible or request hot water seed treatment. For more information to prevent disease see Disease Management in Section E.

Hardening Transplants

It is usually desirable to harden tender tomato seedlings before planting them in the field. Recent research has shown that hardening tomato plants by exposure to cool temperatures 60° to 65°F (15.6° to 18.3°C) day and 50° to 60°F (10° to 15.6°C) night for one week or more causes catfacing. Harden plants by withholding nitrogen and reducing water. Allow plants to wilt slightly between light waterings.

Drip/Trickle Fertilization

For any nutrient management program, begin by obtaining an accurate soil test from a certified laboratory. Choose a nutrient program as necessary to meet your individual

production system requirements based on soil and production history.

Before laying plastic mulch, adjust soil pH to 6.5 and apply enough farm-grade fertilizer to supply 50 to 85 pounds per acre of N, depending on soil and yield potential. You should also apply the balance of your needed K₂O that you do not plan to apply via fertigation as a modified broadcast application that treats only the mulched area. Nitrogen fertilizer should be incorporated into the bed or split between incorporated and a surface band bed treatment immediately before laying plastic mulch.

After laying plastic mulch and installing the trickle irrigation system, apply completely soluble fertilizer through the drip system to supply additional nitrogen and potash throughout the season, depending on soil texture and yield potential (see table for suggested schedule). Nitrogen and potassium fertigation should be increased over the growing season as plants mature (see table for example). Adjust rates as necessary based on soil and tissue tests.

Fresh Market

Yield, fruit size, and fruit quality of market tomatoes is increased by the use of black plastic mulch in combination with trickle irrigation. Form raised, dome-shaped beds to aid in disease control. Lay 4-foot wide black plastic mulch tightly over the beds.

For early summer harvest of market tomatoes, start transplanting April 10 to 20 in southern or normally warmer areas, and May 10 to 25 in cooler, northern areas.

See the "Trickle Irrigation" section of General Production Recommendations for detailed recommendations on fertilizing tomatoes grown with plastic mulch and trickle irrigation.

Ground Culture

Space *determinate* vined varieties in rows 4 to 5 feet apart with plants 15 to 24 inches apart in the row. For *indeterminate* varieties, space rows 5 to 6 feet apart with plants 24 to 36 inches apart in the row.

Stake Culture

Staking tomatoes is a highly specialized production system. Recommendations below are for the short-stake cultural system using determinate cultivars that grow 3 to 4 feet in height. Row widths of 5 to 6 feet with in-row spacings from 18 to 24 inches between plants are recommended.

Pruning. Pruning is practiced to establish a desired balance between vine growth and fruit growth. Little to no pruning results in a plant with a heavy load of smaller fruit. Moderate pruning results in fewer fruits that are larger and easier to harvest. Pruning can result in earlier maturity of the crown fruit and improve spray coverage and pest control.

Removing all suckers up to the one immediately below the first flower cluster is adequate for most determinate cultivars. Removing the sucker immediately below the first flower cluster or pruning above the first flower cluster can result in severe leaf curling and stunting of the plant and should be avoided. Prune when the suckers are 2 to 4 inches long. A second pruning may be required to remove suckers that are too small to be easily removed during the first pruning and to remove ground suckers that may develop. Pruning when suckers are too large requires more time and can damage the plants, delay maturity, and increase disease incidence. Do not prune plants when they are wet to avoid spread of bacterial diseases. Pruning should be done before the first stringing because the string can slow down the pruning process. Pruning is variety and fertility dependent. Less vigorous determinate cultivars generally require less pruning. Growers should experiment with several degrees of pruning on a small scale to determine pruning requirements for specific cultivars and cultural practices.

Staking. Staking improves fruit quality by keeping plants and fruit off the ground and providing better spray coverage. Staked tomatoes are easier to harvest than ground tomatoes.

Staking tomatoes consists of a series of wooden stakes with twine woven around the stakes to train the plants to grow vertically off the ground. Stakes 4- to 4½-feet long by 1-inch square are driven approximately 12 inches into the soil between the plants.

Vigorous cultivars may require larger and longer stakes. A stake placed between every other plant is adequate to support most determinate varieties. Placing an additional stake at an angle and tied to the end stake of each section will strengthen

the trellis system. Stakes can be driven by hand with a homemade driving tool or with a commercially available, power-driven stake driving tool. Drive stakes to a consistent depth so that spray booms can be operated in the field without damaging the trellis system. Select "tomato twine" that is resistant to weathering and stretching and that binds well to the wooden stakes. Tomato twine is available in 3- to 4-pound boxes, and approximately 30 pounds per acre are required. To make tying convenient, use a homemade stringing tool. This tool can be made from a length of metal conduit, PVC pipe, broom handle, or wooden dowel. With conduit or PVC pipe, the string is fed through the pipe. With a broom handle or wooden dowel, two small parallel holes, each approximately ½ to 1 inch from the end, must be drilled to feed the string through one hole along the length of the tool and through the other hole. The tool serves as an extension of the worker's arm (the length cut to the worker's preference) and helps to keep the string tight.

Proper stringing consists of tying the twine to an end stake passing the string along one side of the plants, looping the twine around each stake until you reach the end of a row or section (100-foot sections with alleys may be helpful for harvesting). The same process is continued on the other side of the row. The string tension must be tight enough to hold the plants upright but harvest can be difficult and strings can scar fruit if they are too tight.

The first string should be strung 8 to 10 inches above the ground when plants are 12 to 15 inches tall and before they fall over. Run the next string 6 to 8 inches above the preceding string before plants start to fall over. Three to 4 stringings are required for most determinate varieties. Stringing should be done when the foliage is dry to prevent the spread of bacterial diseases.

Conservation Tillage (No-Till) with Hairy Vetch

(For use in Delaware, Maryland, and Pennsylvania) **not** recommended for use in New Jersey, Virginia, or West Virginia)

Transplanting tomatoes into a hairy vetch cover crop can produce yields equivalent to or greater than those achieved with black plastic mulch and eliminates the expenses for installation and disposal of plastic mulch. Tomatoes grown in hairy vetch remain vigorous and produce fruit over a longer period of time compared to conventional production systems. Other benefits of using a no-till system include erosion control, moisture conservation during the summer, increased soil organic matter, improved soil fertility and structure, and weed suppression. **Cautions:** The no-till system is not adapted to heavy, poorly drained soils with high weed populations. Tomatoes will mature at least one week later on hairy vetch mulch than on black plastic due to decreased soil warming in all soil types. The living cover crop can remove soil moisture during the spring. This may increase the difficulty of transplanting tomatoes and require irrigation immediately after transplanting.

Cover Crop Establishment. Form beds before planting the cover crop. Inoculate hairy vetch seed for maximum nitrogen fixation and plant with a forage/grass seeder or grain drill with a grass seed hopper. Seed hairy vetch over the top of the beds at 25 to 40 pounds per acre between August 15 and September 15 in cool areas and September 1 and October 1 on the Delmarva Peninsula and southern New Jersey. For erosion control and greater mulch bio-mass, seed rye or

"spring" oats at up to 40 pounds per acre in addition to 25 to 40 pounds per acre of vetch. The "spring" oats will not overwinter, leaving an almost pure stand of hairy vetch in the spring. (Note. Little winter kill may occur in mild winters on the Delmarva Peninsula and normally warm areas.) Rye will overwinter and form a support for the vetch during the spring. For trial: Plant crimson clover at 10 to 20 pounds per acre with the vetch and rye to increase the biomass of mulch and increase nitrogen fixation. However, this may increase the difficulty of transplanting tomatoes.

Cover Crop and Weed Management. Timing: Allow vetch to grow until the flower bud stage (early to late May) or several weeks longer to obtain adequate mulch biomass and nitrogen fixation. Be sure to kill the vetch before it produces mature seed. Seeds are immature when they are easily crushed between your fingers. **Caution:** Delay in killing vetch until mature seed formation may result in vetch weeds in succeeding crops.

Mowing: Flail mowing can desiccate hairy vetch without herbicides. If mowing is delayed until hairy vetch begins flowering and oats and rye are heading, minimal regrowth will occur. If hairy vetch is mowed while vegetative, regrowth may require a postemergence herbicide application. Vetch regrowth often occurs approximately 3 to 4 weeks after transplanting when the first flush of weeds emerge through the mulch. A directed application of metribuzin (0.33 lb/A Sencor/Lexone 75DF) has successfully controlled vetch regrowth and provided weed control when applied at this time. A second directed application of metribuzin may be required for full-season weed control. Grass weeds emerging after this time can be controlled with sethoxydim. **Caution:** Hairy vetch decomposes rapidly and emerging weeds will eventually require control. The use of the vetch mulch system eliminates the possibility for mechanical cultivation. Organic growers will need alternative weed control strategies (mowing, hand weeding, etc.) to control winter annuals, perennials, and escaped annual weeds.

Herbicides: An alternative method of killing hairy vetch is with an application of paraquat (Gramoxone SL 2.0 2.4 pints per acre). Sethoxydim (1.0 to 2.0 pints per acre of Poast 1.5EC) or clethodim (3 fluid ounces per acre of Select 2EC) with oil concentrate can be used to control oat or rye cover crops that escaped control by mowing or paraquat application. Prior to planting tomatoes, apply napropamide (2.0 to 4.0 pounds per acre Devrinol DF-XT) to control grasses. Rainfall or sprinkler irrigation is required to incorporate residual herbicides. Use recommended postemergence herbicides to control weeds that escape this preplant herbicide application.

Tomato Management. Planting: Tomato plants should be transplanted with minimal disturbance to the cover crop mulch. Mechanical transplanters with spades that insert plants through the mulch into the soil are available. Mount coulters ahead of the spades to aid in loosening the soil. Care should be taken to avoid catching the viny vetch mulch on axles or protrusions that would disturb the uniform layer. After transplanting, lay drip irrigation tubing over the top of the mulch 2-3 inches from the tomato plants, with emitter pores up. Staking will improve fruit quality.

Fertility: Apply phosphorus, potassium, and other nutrients (at rates determined by soil test) when forming beds in the fall or broadcast over the beds after cover crop is killed

or mowed. Hairy vetch will supply a significant portion of the nitrogen requirement for tomatoes and good yields can be achieved with no additional nitrogen applications. Maximum yields can be obtained using one-half the fertilizer nitrogen applied to tomatoes grown on plastic mulch.

Apply a high phosphorus starter solution at planting. Within 1 week after transplanting, apply a complete soluble fertilizer to supply 10 to 40 pounds (5 to 15 pounds on heavy soils) of N, P₂O₅, and K₂O per fertilized-mulched acre through the drip irrigation system. The same rate of soluble N-P₂O₅-K₂O fertilizer should be applied when first fruit are 1 inch in diameter and again when the fruit begin to ripen. On soils testing low or low to medium in boron, include 0.5 pound of actual boron per fertilized-mulched acre in each fertilizer application.

Processing Tomatoes

Transplanting

Processing tomatoes can be transplanted starting April 15 to 20 in warmer, southern areas to May 5 to 10 in Pennsylvania and normally cooler areas. Successive plantings can be made through early June.

Space transplants 9 to 12 inches apart in single rows 5 feet apart or to accommodate machine harvesters. Small, determinate varieties may be grown in double rows. Space double rows 12 inches apart and space plants 12 to 18 inches apart in each of the double rows. Plant spacing appears to affect fruit size and yield, but research is not yet complete.

Fruit Ripening

Ethephon is labeled for use on processing tomatoes. Proper application increases earliness and yield and decreases sorting of green fruit in machine-harvested tomatoes. Rate and time of application are critical for successful use of ethephon. See state fact sheets or product label for details on rates, time of application, and temperature effects on the successful use of ethephon.

Harvest and Post Harvest Considerations

Tomatoes may be harvested at the mature green stage (when and after which the fruit cavity is filled by gel), breaker stage (just showing pink at the bottom of the fruit), semi-ripe (with different amounts of red pigmentation) or fully ripe, depending on marketing requirement. Tomato fruits are very perishable and subject to surface and internal damage, and must be handled with care. If tomatoes are to be harvested at breaker, partially ripe, or vine-ripe stages, fields should be harvested often and thoroughly to hasten the ripening of later fruits and reduce the overall the range of ripeness. Harvesting every day may be desirable during the peak of the season. Remove all diseased, misshapen, and otherwise cull tomatoes from the vines as soon as they are discovered. Remove discarded tomatoes from the field to avoid the spread and buildup of diseases and insect pests. For standard slicing tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, and plum tomatoes, remove the stem during picking. Cluster tomatoes are harvested with the whole truss attached to fruits.

Tomatoes should be washed sufficiently to remove dust and foreign material by hand with clean cloths or mechanically by spraying them with a small amount of chlorinated water as they move over a set of soft brush rolls. The small amount of retained water may be removed by absorbent rollers alone or in combination with an overhead air-blast drier. The wash water should be several degrees warmer than the pulp temperature of the tomatoes to avoid

drawing water and disease organisms into the fruit. The water should be chlorinated at the rate of 125 ppm. The chlorine level and pH (6.0 – 7.0) of the wash water should be checked at least hourly during the day with test papers or a meter.

Tomatoes are then sized and separated by color and grade and carefully packed into 25 lb. boxes.

Size Classification of Tomatoes

Diameter (inches)

Size Designation	Minimum*	Maximum**
Extra small	1-28/32	2-4/32
Small	2-4/32	2-9/32
Medium	2-9/32	2-17/32
Large	2-17/32	2-28/32
Extra large	2-28/32	3-15/32

Color Classification of Tomatoes

Tomatoes may be graded into the following color classes (some classes may be combined):

Green - The surface of the tomato is completely green. The shade of green may vary from light to dark. Mature green fruits are typically ripened at the terminal market or by the repacker with ethylene gas.

Breakers - There is a definite break in the color from green to tannish yellow with pink or red skin covering not more than 10 percent of the surface.

Turning - More than 10 percent but not more than 30 percent of the surface, shows a definite change in color from green to tannish yellow, pink, red, or a combination of those colors.

Pink - More than 30 percent but not more than 60 percent of the surface, shows pinkish red or red color.

Light Red - More than 60 percent but not more than 90 percent, shows pinkish red or red color.

Red - More than 90 percent of the surface, shows red color.

For long distance shipping, mature green harvest is the common practice. For local wholesale, harvest is usually at the breaker stage. For direct market, harvest is at the ripe stage. Store mature-green tomatoes at 55 to 70°F; breakers, partially ripe, and ripe fruit at 50°F and a relative humidity of 90 to 95%. Exposing tomatoes to temperatures below 50 F results in loss of color, shelf life, and firmness.

Tomato Disorders

Catfacing

Fruits are malformed and scarred, usually at the blossom end. Catfacing is caused by one week of exposure of seedlings to day temperatures in the range 60° to 65°F (15.6° to 18.3°C) and night temperatures at 50° to 60°F (10° to 15.6°C) approximately 4 weeks before pollination. The first flower cluster is susceptible to low temperature-induced catfacing when seedlings have 4 to 5 true leaves. Fruits on later clusters will show catfacing if exposed to low temperatures in the field. Avoid hardening seedlings by exposure to low temperatures. Varieties differ in their susceptibility to the disorder.

Internal Browning (IB), Graywall (GW), and Blotchy Ripening (BR)

These problems are a complex of physiological disorders and pathological diseases. Green fruit with IB have brown necrotic areas in the walls and internal tissues. Areas around necrotic tissue ripen slowly and unevenly, resulting in a

mottled, greenish-yellow and red fruit color. IB can be caused by tobacco mosaic virus (TMV).

Irregular, grayish-brown blotchy areas (GW) can occur on the upper half of fruit free of TMV. On ripening, fruit with GW or BR have blotchy areas of green and yellow tissue surrounded by areas of normal red tissue. Greenish-white and white tissue are usually present in the fruit walls, and brown necrotic areas may be located around the vascular system of the fruit. Yellow-eye, a ring of yellow tissue surrounding the stem scar, often occurs in fruit with BR and internal white tissue.

GW and BR symptoms often appear on shaded fruit growing in the interior of dense, vegetative plants. Cloudy, moist, cool weather; high soil moisture; high nitrogen; soil compaction; and low potassium increase the incidence and severity of GW and BR.

Yellow Shoulders

Yellowing may occur on the shoulders of the fruit exposed to the sun, especially on varieties having darker green shoulders when immature (those lacking the uniform ripening gene). The tissue beneath the yellow shoulder is usually corky and may vary from greenish white to pale yellow. This disorder can be overcome by selection of varieties with the uniform ripening gene. Provide good fruit cover as described below.

Sunburn and Sunscald

Sunburn and sunscald result from exposure to direct sunlight. Mild sunburn appears as yellowish or yellow-red color of fruit on the side exposed to the sun. Severe symptoms appear as whitish, water-soaked, scalded, or blistered areas. Sunscald is more severe on fruit growing in shaded conditions, followed by exposure to direct sunlight due to defoliation or exposure during harvesting. Under dry conditions, the white areas can become dry and leathery. Secondary infection can produce a dark, dry rot. Under moist conditions, scalded areas can decay from secondary infections. To control sunburn and sunscald, select varieties with good fruit cover and supply sufficient water and nutrients to provide good vegetative growth. Train workers to avoid turning vines during harvesting or to reposition vines to shade fruit.

Blossom-End Rot (BER)

This physiological disorder is caused by inadequate movement of calcium into the fruit. BER occurs when soil moisture is low and is more severe when plants have small, shallow root systems. Plastic mulch can restrict the movement of water to the root zone and increase BER. Hot, windy conditions increase water loss from the plant and increase the incidence of BER.

Be sure soil calcium is sufficient and in balance with other essential plant nutrients. Test the soil and apply lime and fertilizer according to recommendations, then lay plastic mulch when soil moisture is optimum for planting. Apply irrigation to wet the root zone and encourage deep root development.

Fruit Cracking and Russetting

Fruit cracking is due to rapid uptake of water by the fruit, resulting in enlargement of cells and separation of the epidermis of the fruit. Water can be taken up by the fruit through the roots and vascular system or through the fruit tissue around the stem scar.

The type of cracking (*concentric* cracks around the stem,

radial cracks radiating out from the stem, or *diagonal* or *transverse* cracks across the fruit) is determined primarily by fruit structure and variety. More than one type of cracking may be present in a variety or an individual fruit.

The severity of cracking is determined by rainfall and irrigation amounts, variety and stage of maturity. As the fruit ripens, the strength of bonding between cells progressively decreases, resulting in more severe cracking. Severity of cracking is increased by high rainfall and irrigation, or frequent low to moderate rainfall, especially following a period of low soil moisture.

To minimize cracking, select a crack-resistant variety. Maintain a high level of calcium in the soil. Keep fruit growing at a uniform rate by maintaining uniform soil moisture levels. Maintain good fruit cover by proper fertilization and fungicide applications. Harvest fruit at the earliest stage of maturity that is acceptable by your market.

Russetting or weather checking of the surface of the fruit is caused by the presence of water on the fruit surface for extended periods of time when there are frequent light rainfalls, mist, fog, and dew. Wide fluctuations in temperature of exposed fruit also contribute to russetting. Russetting can cause fruit to be unmarketable. Maintain good fruit cover by proper fertilization and fungicide applications. Use varieties that feature a dense canopy and resistance to foliar diseases.

Weed Control

Identify the weeds in each field and select recommended herbicides that control those weeds. See Tables E-3 and E-4.

Match preplant incorporated and preemergence herbicide rates to soil type and percent organic matter in each field.

Apply postemergence herbicides when crop and weeds are within the recommended size and/or leaf stage.

Find the herbicides you plan to use in the Herbicide Resistance Action Committee's (HRAC) **Herbicide Site of Action Table E-8** and follow the recommended good management practices to minimize the risk of herbicide resistance development by weeds in your fields.

For Weed Control Under Plastic Mulch

Black plastic mulch effectively controls most annual weeds by preventing light from reaching the germinated seedling. Herbicides are used under plastic mulch to control weeds around the planting hole, and under the mulch when clear plastic is used. Trickle irrigation tubing left on the soil surface may cause weed problems by leaching herbicide away at the emitters. The problem is most serious when clear plastic mulch is used. Bury the trickle tubing several inches deep in the bed to reduce this problem.

1. Complete soil tillage, and form raised beds, if desired, prior to applying herbicide(s). Do not apply residual herbicides before forming beds, or herbicide rate and depth of incorporation may be increased, raising the risk of crop injury. When beds are formed and plastic mulch laid in a single pass, the herbicide should be applied after the bed is formed, as a part of the same operation.
2. Apply herbicide(s) recommended for use under plastic mulch in a band as wide as the mulch. Condensation that forms on the underside of the mulch will activate the herbicide. Use the trickle irrigation to provide moisture if the soil is too dry for condensation to form on the

underside of the mulch.

3. Complete by laying the plastic mulch and trickle irrigation tubing, if used, immediately after the herbicide application. Delay punching the planting holes until seeding or transplanting.

Note: All herbicide rate recommendations are made for spraying a broadcast acre (43,560 ft²).

Pretransplant Incorporated or Pretransplant

Metribuzin--0.25 lb/A. Apply 0.33 pounds per acre metribuzin (or OLF) in a band under the plastic, immediately before laying the mulch. Mechanically incorporate before laying the mulch, or apply to the soil surface and incorporate with the condensation that forms on the underside of the mulch. Primarily controls broadleaf weeds. Tank-mix with Devrinol control annual grasses.

Pretransplant

Halosulfuron--0.023 to 0.047 lb/A. Apply 0.5 to 1.0 dry ounce Sandea 75WG in a band under plastic mulch to suppress or control broadleaf weeds including common cocklebur, redroot, pigweed, smooth pigweed, ragweed species, and galinsoga. Use the lower rate on coarse-textured soils low in organic matter and higher rates on fine-textured soils and on soils with high organic matter. Condensation that forms on the underside of the mulch will activate the herbicide. Delay transplanting for seven days after application. Occasionally, slight stunting may be observed following Sandea use early in the season. When observed, recovery is rapid with no effect on yield or maturity. Sandea is an ALS inhibitor. Herbicides with this mode of action have a single site of activity in susceptible weeds. The risk of the development of resistant weed populations is high when herbicides with this mode of action are used continuously and exclusively to control a weed species for several years or in consecutive crops in a rotation. Integrate mechanical methods of control and use herbicides with a different mode of action to control the target broadleaf weeds when growing other crops in the rotation. **DO NOT** apply Sandea to crops treated with a soil applied organophosphate insecticide, or use a foliar applied organophosphate insecticide within 21 days before or 7 days after a Sandea application. **DO NOT exceed a total of 0.047 pound per acre, equal to 1.0 dry ounce of Sandea, applied pretransplant under plastic mulch.**

Napropamide--1.0 to 2.0 lb/A. Apply 2.0 to 4.0 pounds per acre Devrinol DF-XT preemergence in a band under the plastic, immediately before laying the mulch. Condensation that forms on the underside of the mulch will activate the herbicide. Annual grasses and certain annual broadleaf weeds will be suppressed or controlled under the mulch and around the plant hole. Combine with metribuzin to improve the spectrum of broadleaf weeds controlled. Use lower rate on coarse-textured or sandy soil. Devrinol may reduce stand and yield of fall grains. Moldboard plowing will reduce the risk of injury to a small grain follow crop.

Soil Strips Between Rows of Plastic Mulch (Directed and Shielded Band Applications)

Use the following land preparation, treatment, planting sequences, and herbicides labeled for the crop to treat **Soil Strips Between Rows of Plastic Mulch**, or crop injury and/or poor weed control may result.

1. Complete soil preparation, apply herbicide(s) under the mulch (see above and below), and lay plastic and trickle irrigation (optional) before herbicide application between the rows.
2. Spray preemergence herbicide(s), registered and recommended for use on the crop in bands onto the soil and the shoulders of the plastic mulch before planting and weeds germinate, **OR** apply after planting as a shielded spray combined with a postemergence herbicide to control emerged weeds. **DO NOT broadcast spray over the plastic mulch at any time!**
3. Incorporate preemergence herbicide into the soil with ½ to 1 inch of rainfall or overhead irrigation within 48 hours of application.
4. Apply Gramoxone in bands to the soil strips between the plastic mulch before the crop emerges or is transplanted, **AND/OR** as a shielded spray postemergence to control emerged weeds. Use in combination with residual herbicides that are registered for use.

Note. All herbicide rate recommendations are made for spraying a broadcast acre (43,560 ft²).

Pretransplant/ Preemergence to the Weeds

Halosulfuron--0.023 to 0.047 lb/A. Apply 0.5 to 1.0 dry ounce Sandea 75WG as a banded directed shielded spray to the soil strips between rows of plastic mulch to suppress or control broadleaf weeds including common cocklebur, redroot, pigweed, smooth pigweed, ragweed species, and galinsoga. Use the lower rate on coarse-textured soils low in organic matter and higher rates on fine-textured soils and on soils with high organic matter. Rainfall or irrigation after application is necessary before weeds emerge to obtain good control. Sandea is an ALS inhibitor. Herbicides with this mode of action have a single site of activity in susceptible weeds. The risk of the development of resistant weed populations is high when herbicides with this mode of action are used continuously and exclusively to control a weed species for several years or in consecutive crops in a rotation. Integrate mechanical methods of control and use herbicides with a different mode of action to control the target broadleaf weeds when growing other crops in the rotation. **DO NOT** apply Sandea to crops treated with a soil applied organophosphate insecticide, or use a foliar applied organophosphate insecticide within 21 days before or 7 days after a Sandea application. **DO NOT exceed a total of 0.047 pound per acre, equal to 1 dry ounce of Sandea, applied preemergence. DO NOT exceed total of 0.094 pounds per acre, equal to 2.0 dry ounces of Sandea, applied preemergence and postemergence, per crop-cycle. DO NOT exceed a total of 0.094 pound per acre, equal to 2.0 dry ounces of Sandea, applied preemergence and postemergence to multiple crops in a 1 year (12 month) period.**

S-metolachlor--0.95 to 1.9 lb/A. Apply 1.0 to 2.0 pints per acre Dual Magnum 7.62E as a banded directed shielded spray to control annual grasses, yellow nutsedge, nightshade species, galinsoga, and certain other broadleaf weeds. Use as a surface-applied banded spray, preemergence to the weeds. Posttransplant banded directed shielded sprays should be applied to weed-free soil. Dual Magnum will not control emerged weeds. Control emerged weeds with Gramoxone added to the shielded and directed banded herbicide spray. Use the lower rate on coarse-textured soils low in organic

matter and higher rates on fine-textured soils and on soils with high organic matter. Apply only when the soil surface is dry to avoid risk of vapor drift injury to the crop. Rainfall or irrigation after application is necessary before weeds emerge to obtain good control. Make only one application during the growing season. **DO NOT** apply within 30 days of harvest if 1.33 pints per acre or less is used, or within 90 days of harvest if more than 1.33 pints per acre is used except in VA, where a 60 day PHI must be observed when 1.67 pints or less Dual Magnum is used per year. **Other generic versions of metolachlor and s-metolachlor may be available, and may or may not be labeled for use in the crop.**

Metribuzin--0.25 lb/A. Apply 0.33 pounds per acre metribuzin (or OLF) as a banded directed shielded spray. Primarily controls broadleaf weeds. Tank-mix with Devrinol, or Treflan to control annual grasses at planting, or use a postemergence herbicide. An additional postemergence application of metribuzin may be necessary to control broadleaf weeds.

Napropamide--1.0 to 2.0 lb/A. Apply 2.0 to 4.0 pounds per acre Devrinol DF-XT as a banded directed shielded spray and activate with one-half inch of rainfall or sprinkler irrigation within 48 hours of application to control most annual grasses and certain broadleaf weeds. Use the lower rate on coarse-textured or sandy soils. May reduce stand of and yield of fall grains. Moldboard plowing will reduce the risk of injury.

Pendimethalin--0.48 to 1.42 lb/A. Apply 1.0 to 3.0 pints per acre Prowl H₂O as a banded directed shielded spray and activate with one-half inch of rainfall or sprinkler irrigation within 48 hours of application to control most annual grasses and certain broadleaf weeds. Use the lower rate on coarse-textured or sandy soils. **DO NOT apply "over the top" of the crop, or severe injury may occur. Observe a 70 day PHI (PreHarvest Interval).**

Postemergence

DCPA--6.0 to 10.5 lb/A. Apply 8.0 to 14.0 pints per acre Dacthal 6F as a banded directed shielded spray 4 to 6 weeks after transplanting for preemergence weed control. Emerged weeds will not be controlled. Dacthal will not injure crop foliage. Spray as a band directed between the rows of plastic mulch. Controls late season annual grasses, common purslane, and other broadleaf weeds.

Halosulfuron--0.023 to 0.047 lb/A. Apply 0.5 to 1.0 dry ounce Sandea 75WG as a banded directed shielded spray to the soil strips between rows of plastic mulch to suppress or control yellow nutsedge and broadleaf weeds including common cocklebur, redroot pigweed, smooth pigweed, ragweed species, and galinsoga. Sandea applied postemergence will not control common lambsquarters or eastern black nightshade. Add nonionic surfactant to be 0.25 percent of the spray solution (1.0 quart per 100 gallons of spray solution). **DO NOT** use oil concentrate. Susceptible broadleaf weeds usually exhibit injury symptoms within 1 to 2 weeks of treatment. Typical symptoms begin as yellowing in the growing point that spreads to the entire plant and is followed by death of the weed. Injury symptoms are similar when yellow nutsedge is treated but may require 2 to 3 weeks to become evident and up to a month for the weed to die. Sandea is an ALS inhibitor. Herbicides with this mode of action have a single site of activity in susceptible weeds. The risk of the development of resistant weed populations is high

when herbicides with this mode of action are used continuously and exclusively to control a weed species for several years or in consecutive crops in a rotation. Integrate mechanical methods of control and use herbicides with a different mode of action to control the target broadleaf weeds when growing other crops in the rotation. **DO NOT** apply Sandea to crops treated with a soil applied organophosphate (OP) insecticide, or use a foliar applied organophosphate (OP) insecticide within 21 days before or 7 days after a Sandea application. **DO NOT exceed total of 0.094 pounds per acre, equal to 2.0 dry ounces of Sandea per crop-cycle. DO NOT exceed a total of 0.094 pound per acre, equal to 2.0 dry ounces of Sandea applied in a 1 year (12 month) period**

Paraquat--0.6 lb/A. Apply 2.4 pints per acre Gramoxone SL 2.0 or OLF as a **banded directed shielded spray between the rows ONLY**, to control emerged grass and broadleaf weed seedlings. Do not allow spray to contact plants as injury or residues may result. Use shields to prevent spray contact with crop plants. Do not exceed a spray pressure of 30 psi.

Add wetting agent as per label.

Pendimethalin--0.48 to 1.42 lb/A. Apply 1.0 to 3.0 pints per acre Prowl H₂O as a banded directed shielded spray and activate with one-half inch of rainfall or sprinkler irrigation within 48 hours of application to control most annual grasses and certain broadleaf weeds preemergence. Use the lower rate on coarse-textured or sandy soils. Tank-mix with paraquat to control emerged weeds. **Do NOT apply "over the top" of the crop, or severe injury may occur. Observe a 70 day PHI (PreHarvest Interval).**

Clethodim--0.094 to 0.125 lb/A. Apply 6.0 to 8.0 fluid ounces per acre Select 2EC with oil concentrate to be 1 percent of the spray solution (1 gallon per 100 gallons of spray solution) or 12.0 to 16.0 fluid ounces of Select Max 0.97EC with nonionic surfactant to be 0.25% of the spray solution (1.0 quart per 100 gallons of spray solution) postemergence to control many annual and certain perennial grasses, including annual bluegrass. Select will not consistently control goosegrass. The use of oil concentrate with Select 2EC 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. Control may be reduced if grasses are large or if hot, dry weather or drought conditions occur. For best results, treat annual grasses when they are actively growing and before tillers are present. Repeated applications may be needed to control certain perennial grasses. Yellow nutsedge, wild onion, or broadleaf weeds will not be controlled. Do not tank-mix with or apply within 2 to 3 days of any other pesticide unless labeled, as the risk of crop injury may be increased, or reduced control of grasses may result. Observe a minimum preharvest interval of 20 days.

Sethoxydim--0.2 to 0.3 lb/A. Apply 1.0 to 1.5 pints per acre Poast 1.5EC with oil concentrate to be 1 percent of the spray solution (1.0 gallon per 100 gallons of spray solution) postemergence as a banded directed shielded spray to control annual grasses and certain perennial grasses. **The use of oil concentrate 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. Control may be reduced if grasses are large or if hot, dry weather or drought conditions occur. For best results, treat annual grasses when they are actively growing and before tillers are present. Repeated applications may be needed to control certain perennial grasses. Yellow nutsedge, wild onion, or broadleaf weeds will not be controlled. Do not tank-mix with or apply within 2 to 3 days of any other pesticide unless labeled, as the risk of crop injury may be increased, or reduced control of grasses may result. Observe a minimum preharvest interval of 20 days and apply no more than 4.5 pints per acre in one season.

For Transplanting Into Soil Without Plastic Mulch (Broadcast Applications)

Use the following land preparation, treatment, planting sequences, and herbicides labeled for the crop when **planting into Soil Without Plastic Mulch**, or crop injury and/or poor weed control may result.

1. Complete soil tillage, apply preplant incorporated herbicide(s), and incorporate. Use a finishing disk or field cultivator that sweeps at least 100% of the soil surface twice, at right angles, operated at a minimum of 7 miles per hour (mph), OR a PTO driven implement once, operated at less than 2 miles per hour (mph).
2. Seed and apply preemergence herbicide(s) immediately after completing soil tillage, and mechanical incorporation of preplant herbicides. Irrigate if rainfall does not occur, to move the herbicide into the soil and improve availability to germinating weed seeds within 2 days of when the field was last tilled, or plan to control escaped weeds by other methods.

Note. All herbicide rate recommendations are made for spraying a broadcast acre (43,560 ft²).

Preplant Incorporated-Transplants

Napropamide--1.0 to 2.0 lb/A. Apply 2.0 to 4.0 pounds per acre Devrinol DF-XT prior to transplanting. Incorporate thoroughly to a depth of 2 to 3 inches the same day as application. Use lower rate on coarse-textured or sandy soils. Primarily controls annual grasses and certain broadleaf weeds. Use in combination with metribuzin to improve the spectrum of broadleaf weeds controlled. May reduce stand and yield of fall grains if fields are only disked. Moldboard plowing will reduce the risk of injury.

Trifluralin--0.5 to 1.0 lb/A. Apply 1.0 to 2.0 pints per acre Treflan4EC (or OLF). Incorporate with double-disking into 2 to 3 inches of soil within 8 hours after application. Mount the boom on the front of disk. Primarily controls annual grasses and certain broadleaf weeds. Use in combination with metribuzin to improve the spectrum of broadleaf weeds controlled. Stunting may result if weather is cool and damp. Will not control ragweed, jimsonweed, or morningglory.

Metribuzin--0.25 lb/A. Apply 0.33 pounds per acre metribuzin (or OLF) and incorporate before transplanting tomato plants with a minimum of 5 true leaves. Transplants with less than 5 true leaves are at greater risk of herbicide injury. Primarily controls broadleaf weeds. Tank-mix with Devrinol, or Treflan to control annual grasses at planting, or use Poast 1.5EC to control grasses postemergence. An additional postemergence application of metribuzin may be necessary to control broadleaf weeds.

Pretransplant Incorporated or Pretransplant

S-metolachlor--0.95 to 1.9 lb/A. Apply 1.0 to 2.0 pints per acre Dual Magnum 7.62E as a pretransplant incorporated or pretransplant surface applied spray to control annual grasses, yellow nutsedge, nightshade species, galinsoga, and certain other broadleaf weeds. Apply Dual Magnum before weeds germinate. Dual Magnum will not control emerged weeds. Use the lower rate on coarse-textured soils low in organic matter and higher rates on fine-textured soils and on soils with high organic matter. Rainfall or irrigation after application is necessary before weeds emerge to obtain good control. Make only one application during the growing season. DO NOT apply within 30 days of harvest if 1.33 pints per acre or less is used, or within 90 days of harvest if more than 1.33 pints per acre is used except in VA, where a 60 day PHI must be observed when 1.67 pints or less Dual Magnum is used per year. **Other generic versions of metolachlor and s-metolachlor may be available, and may or may not be labeled for use in the crop.**

Pretransplant

Halosulfuron--0.023 to 0.047 lb/A. Apply 0.5 to 1.0 dry ounce Sandea 75WG to suppress or control broadleaf weeds including common cocklebur, redroot, pigweed, smooth pigweed, ragweed species, and galinsoga. Use the lower rate on coarse-textured soils low in organic matter and higher rates on fine-textured soils and on soils with high organic matter. Rainfall or irrigation after application is necessary before weeds emerge to obtain good control. Occasionally, slight stunting may be observed following Sandea use early in the season. When observed, recovery is rapid with no effect on yield or maturity. Sandea is an ALS inhibitor. Herbicides with this mode of action have a single site of activity in susceptible weeds. The risk of the development of resistant weed populations is high when herbicides with this mode of action are used continuously and exclusively to control a weed species for several years or in consecutive crops in a rotation. Integrate mechanical methods of control and use herbicides with a different mode of action to control the target broadleaf weeds when growing other crops in the rotation. DO NOT apply Sandea to crops treated with a soil applied organophosphate insecticide, or use a foliar applied organophosphate insecticide within 21 days before or 7 days after a Sandea application. **DO NOT exceed a total of 0.047 pound per acre, equal to 1 dry ounce of Sandea, applied pretransplant. DO NOT exceed total of 0.094 pounds per acre, equal to 2.0 dry ounces of Sandea, applied preemergence and postemergence, per crop-cycle. DO NOT exceed a total of 0.094 pound per acre, equal to 2.0 dry ounces of Sandea, applied preemergence and postemergence to multiple crops in a 1 year (12 month) period.**

Postemergence-Transplanted

Clethodim--0.094 to 0.125 lb/A. Apply 6.0 to 8.0 fluid ounces per acre Select 2EC with oil concentrate to be 1 percent of the spray solution (1 gallon per 100 gallons of spray solution) or 12.0 to 16.0 fluid ounces of Select Max 0.97EC with nonionic surfactant to be 0.25% of the spray solution (1.0 quart per 100 gallons of spray solution) postemergence to control many annual and certain perennial grasses, including annual bluegrass. Select will not consistently control goosegrass. The use of oil concentrate with Select 2EC 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. Control may be reduced if grasses are large or if hot, dry weather or drought conditions occur. For best results, treat annual grasses when they are actively growing and before tillers are present. Repeated applications may be needed to control certain perennial grasses. Yellow nutsedge, wild onion, or broadleaf weeds will not be controlled. Do not tank-mix with or apply within 2 to 3 days of any other pesticide unless labeled, as the risk of crop injury may be increased, or reduced control of grasses may result. Observe a minimum preharvest interval of 20 days.

DCPA--4.5 to 10.5 lb/A. Apply 6.0 to 14.0 pints per acre Dacthal 6F to weed-free soil 4 to 6 weeks after transplanting or after direct-seeded plants are a minimum of 6 inches tall. The crop should be well established and growing under conditions that are favorable for good growth. Dacthal will provide residual control of annual grasses and certain broadleaf weeds, including common purslane, but will not control emerged weeds. Applications can be made over the top of the crop when grown without plastic mulch but must be banded between the rows when plastic mulch is used.

Halosulfuron--0.023 to 0.047 lb/A. Apply 0.5 to 1.0 dry ounce Sandea 75WG to suppress or control yellow nutsedge and broadleaf weeds including common cocklebur, redroot pigweed, smooth pigweed, ragweed species, and galinsoga after the crop has been transplanted at least 14 days. Sandea applied postemergence will not control common lambsquarters or eastern black nightshade. Add nonionic surfactant to be 0.25 percent of the spray solution (1.0 quart per 100 gallons of spray solution). DO NOT use oil concentrate. Susceptible broadleaf weeds usually exhibit injury symptoms within 1 to 2 weeks of treatment. Typical symptoms begin as yellowing in the growing point that spreads to the entire plant and is followed by death of the weed. Injury symptoms are similar when yellow nutsedge is treated but may require 2 to 3 weeks to become evident and up to a month for the weed to die. Occasionally, slight yellowing of the crop may be observed within a week of Sandea application. When observed, recovery is rapid with no effect on yield or maturity. Sandea is an ALS inhibitor. Herbicides with this mode of action have a single site of activity in susceptible weeds. The risk of the development of resistant weed populations is high when herbicides with this mode of action are used continuously and exclusively to control a weed species for several years or in consecutive crops in a rotation. Integrate mechanical methods of control and use herbicides with a different mode of action to control the target broadleaf weeds when growing other crops in the rotation. DO NOT apply Sandea to crops treated with a soil applied organophosphate (OP) insecticide, or use a foliar applied organophosphate (OP) insecticide within 21 days before or 7 days after a Sandea application. **DO NOT exceed a total of 0.047 pound per acre, equal to 1.0 dry ounces of Sandea, applied postemergence. DO NOT exceed total of 0.094 pounds per acre, equal to 2.0 dry ounces of Sandea, applied preemergence and postemergence, per crop-cycle. DO NOT exceed a total of 0.094 pound per acre, equal to 2.0 dry ounces of Sandea applied preemergence and postemergence to multiple crops in a 1 year (12 month) period.**

Metribuzin--0.25 lb/A. Use 0.33 pound per acre Metribuzin 75DF on tomato plants with a minimum of 5 true leaves. Transplants with less than 5 true leaves are at greater risk of herbicide injury. Primarily controls broadleaf weeds, but does NOT control nightshades. Use Devrinol, or Treflan preplant incorporated or apply Poast 1.5EC postemergence to control annual grasses. Applications should be delayed until transplants have a minimum of 5 true leaves, have recovered from transplant shock and new growth is evident, or at least 2 weeks. Do not treat tomato plants with less than 5 true leaves. Transplants with less than 5 true leaves are at greater risk of herbicide injury. Do not apply within 3 days after periods of cool, wet, or cloudy weather or crop injury will occur. Do not apply within 24 hours of treatment with other pesticides. Treatment with Sencor may be repeated in 14 days if necessary. Repeat application to suppress or control yellow nutsedge. Do not apply within 7 days of harvest.

Paraquat--0.6 lb/A. Apply 2.4 pints per acre Gramoxone SL 2.0 or OLF as a directed spray between the rows. Do not allow spray to contact plants, as injury or residues may result. Use shields to prevent spray contact with crop plants. Do not exceed a spray pressure of 30 psi. Add wetting agent as per label.

Rimsulfuron--0.0156 to 0.031 lb/A. Apply 1.0 to 2.0 dry ounces per acre of Matrix 25DF early postemergence to control many annual weeds. Optimum results are obtained when the weeds are very small, less than one inch in height, but not before the crop has at least two full-sized true leaves. Common lambsquarters, common ragweed, jimsonweed, morninglory species, and yellow nutsedge may only be suppressed. Tank-mix with metribuzin to increase the spectrum of weeds controlled. Always check and follow the application instructions on the label for both herbicides related to the size of the crop, size of the weeds, and weather conditions when applying as a tank-mixed combination. Add nonionic surfactant to be 0.25 percent of the spray solution (1.0 quart per 100 gallons of spray solution) to improve weed control. DO NOT exceed a total of 4.0 dry ounces of product per acre per year. **Labeled for use on processing and fresh market tomatoes in all states, except California.**

Rimsulfuron (Matrix 25DF) is an ALS inhibitor. Herbicides in this class of chemistry have a single site of action in susceptible plants. Always use sequentially or in a tank-mixed combination with other herbicides with a different site of action in the plant to prevent the development of resistant weed populations. Read and follow label cautions and resistance management recommendations.

S-metolachlor--0.95 to 1.9 lb/A. Apply 1.0 to 2.0 pints per acre Dual Magnum 7.62E as a shielded directed spray to control annual grasses, yellow nutsedge, nightshade species, galinsoga, and certain other broadleaf weeds. Posttransplant banded directed shielded sprays should be applied to weed-free soil after the first soil settling rainfall or overhead irrigation after transplanting. Dual Magnum will not control emerged weeds. Use the lower rate on coarse-textured soils low in organic matter and higher rates on fine-textured soils and on soils with high organic matter. Apply only when the soil surface is dry to avoid risk of vapor drift injury to the crop. Rainfall or irrigation after application is necessary before weeds emerge to obtain good control. Make only one application during the growing season. DO NOT apply within 30 days of harvest if 1.33 pints per acre or less is used,

or within 90 days of harvest if more than 1.33 pints per acre is used except in VA, where a 60 day PHI must be observed when 1.67 pints or less Dual Magnum is used per year. **Other generic versions of metolachlor and s-metolachlor may be available, and may or may not be labeled for use in the crop.**

Sethoxydim--0.2 to 0.4 lb/A. Apply 1.0 to 2.0 pints per acre Poast 1.5EC with oil concentrate to be 1 percent of the spray solution (1.0 gallon per 100 gallons of spray solution) postemergence to control annual grasses and certain perennial grasses. **The use of oil concentrate 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. Control may be reduced if grasses are large or if hot, dry weather or drought conditions occur. For best results, treat annual grasses when they are actively growing and before tillers are present. Repeated applications may be needed to control certain perennial grasses. Yellow nutsedge, wild onion, or broadleaf weeds will not be controlled. Do not tank-mix with or apply within 2 to 3 days of any other pesticide unless labeled, as the risk of crop injury may be increased, or reduced control of grasses may result. Observe a minimum preharvest interval of 20 days and apply no more than 4.5 pints per acre in one season.

Postharvest With or Without Plastic Mulch

Paraquat--0.6 lb/A. Apply 2.4 pints per acre Gramoxone SL 2.0 or OLF as a broadcast spray after the last harvest. Add nonionic surfactant according to the labeled instructions. Use to prepare plastic mulch for replanting, or to aid in the removal of the mulch. See the label for additional information and warnings.

Insect Control Field Tomatoes (Fresh Market and Processing Tomatoes)

THE LABEL IS THE LAW. PLEASE REFER TO THE LABEL FOR UP TO DATE RATES AND RESTRICTIONS

NOTE: Copies of specific insecticide product labels can be downloaded by visiting the websites www.CDMS.net or www.greenbook.net. Also, specific labels can be obtained via web search engines.

Cutworms (Also see Section E in "Soil Pests--Their Detection and Control".)

Apply one of the following formulations:

Preplanting Field Treatment

Just before seeding or transplanting, broadcast on the soil surface the following:

bifenthrin--3.4 to 6.8 fl oz/A Capture LFR (or OLF)
diazinon--2.0 to 4.0 qts/A Diazinon AG500 (or OLF)

Postplanting Treatment

If control is required after seedling emergence or after transplanting, treat soil thoroughly beneath plants with the following:

beta-cyfluthrin--2.1 to 2.8 fl oz/A Baythroid XL
bifenthrin--2.1 to 6.4 fl oz/A Bifenture 2EC (Sniper, or OLF)

cyfluthrin--2.1 to 2.8 fl oz/A Tombstone (or OLF)
 esfenvalerate--4.8 to 9.6 fl oz/A Asana XL
 gamma-cyhalothrin--1.92 to 3.20 fl oz/A Proaxis
 imidacloprid+beta-cyfluthrin--3.8 to 4.1 fl oz/A Leverage 360
 lambda-cyhalothrin--0.96 to 1.60 fl oz/A Warrior II or 1.92 to 3.20 fl oz/A Lambda-Cy (LambdaT, or OLF)
 lambda-cyhalothrin+chlorantraniliprole--5.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A Voliam Xpress
 zeta-cypermethrin--2.24 to 4.00 fl oz/A Mustang Maxx (or OLF)
 zeta-cypermethrin+bifenthrin--4.0 to 10.3 fl oz/A Hero EC

Colorado Potato Beetle (CPB)

Rotation to crops other than potato, tomato, and eggplant is extremely important in reducing CPB problems. Also, transplants placed into no-till fields, mulches or other crop residue will reduce or delay potato beetle infestations.

Look for CPB adults shortly after seedling emergence or transplanting. Early season populations tend to be concentrated in areas where tomatoes or potatoes were previously grown. For direct-seeded tomatoes during emergence, treat when CPB adults are reducing plant densities below recommended levels for maximum yields. Thoroughly scout tomato fields and spray only when necessary. Also spot treatment of "hot spots" only is recommended if infestation is localized. For established direct-seeded or transplant tomatoes, begin treatment if the population level exceeds 15 CPB adults per 10 plants throughout the field. If early treatment is not applied, wait for egg hatch and spray when larvae are young and exceed 20 CPB larvae and/or adults per 10 plants. Reassess after each treatment. Avoid the application of late-season sprays to prevent the buildup of insecticide-resistant beetles. Apply one of the following formulations:

abamectin--1.75 to 3.5 fl oz/A Agri-Mek 0.7SC (or OLF)
 acetamiprid--1.5 to 2.5 oz/A Assail 30SG (or OLF)
 bifenthrin+imidacloprid--5.10 to 9.85 fl oz/A Brigadier
 chlorantraniliprole--**drip/foiar** 3.5 to 5.0 fl oz/A Coragen 1.67SC
 clothianidin--**soil** 9.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A Belay 2.13SC, **foiar** 3.0 to 4.0 fl oz/A Belay 2.13SC
 cryolite (**not cherry types**)--8.0 to 16.0 lbs/A Kryocide 96WP (or Prokil cryolite 96)
 dinotefuran--**soil** 9.0 to 10.5 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL; or 5.0 to 6.0 oz/A Venom 70SG; **foiar** 2.0 to 7.0 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL or 1.0 to 4.0 oz/A Venom 70SG
 imidacloprid--**soil** 7.0 to 14.0 fl oz/A Admire Pro (or OLF), **foiar** 1.3 to 2.2 fl oz/A Admire PRO (or OLF)
 imidacloprid+beta-cyfluthrin--3.8 to 4.1 fl oz/A Leverage 360
 lambda-cyhalothrin+chlorantraniliprole--6.0 to 9.0 fl oz/A Voliam Xpress
 lambda-cyhalothrin+thiamethoxam--4.0 to 4.5 fl oz/A Endigo ZC
 oxamyl--2.0 to 4.0 pts/A Vydate L
 spinetoram--5.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A Radiant SC
 spinosad--3.0 to 6.0 fl oz/A Entrust SC
 thiamethoxam--**soil** 1.66 to 3.67 oz/A Platinum 75SG; **foiar** 2.0 to 3.0 oz/A Actara 25WDG
 thiamethoxam+chlorantraniliprole--**soil** 10.0 to 13.0 fl oz/A Durivo; **foiar** 4.0 to 7.0 oz/A Voliam Flexi

Flea Beetles

Apply one of the following formulations:
 beta-cyfluthrin--2.8 fl oz/A Baythroid XL
 bifenthrin--2.1 to 6.4 fl oz/A Bifenture 2EC (Sniper, or OLF)
 bifenthrin+imidacloprid--3.80 to 9.85 fl oz/A Brigadier (or OLF)
 clothianidin--**soil** 9.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A Belay 2.13SC, **foiar** 3.0 to 4.0 fl oz/A Belay 2.13SC
 cyfluthrin--2.8 fl oz/A Tombstone (or OLF)
 dinotefuran--**soil** 9.0 to 10.5 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL; or 5.0 to 6.0 oz/A Venom 70SG; **foiar** 2.0 to 7.0 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL or 1.0 to 4.0 oz/A Venom 70SG
 esfenvalerate--5.8 to 9.6 fl oz/A Asana XL
 gamma-cyhalothrin--2.56 to 3.84 fl oz/A Proaxis
 imidacloprid--**soil** 7-14 fl oz/A Admire Pro (or OLF), **foiar** 1.3 to 2.2 fl oz/A Admire PRO (or OLF)
 imidacloprid+beta-cyfluthrin--3.8 to 4.1 fl oz/A Leverage 360
 lambda-cyhalothrin--1.28 to 1.92 fl oz/A Warrior II or 2.56 to 3.84 fl oz/A Lambda-Cy (LambdaT, or OLF)
 lambda-cyhalothrin+chlorantraniliprole--6.0 to 9.0 fl oz/A Voliam Xpress
 lambda-cyhalothrin+thiamethoxam--4.0 to 4.5 fl oz/A Endigo ZC
 thiamethoxam--**soil** 1.66 to 3.67 oz/A Platinum 75SC; **foiar** 2.0 to 3.0 oz/A Actara 25WDG
 thiamethoxam+chlorantraniliprole--**soil/drip** 10.0 to 13.0 fl oz/A Durivo; **foiar** 4.0 to 7.0 oz/A Voliam Flexi
 zeta-cypermethrin--2.24 to 4.00 fl oz/A Mustang Maxx (or OLF)
 zeta-cypermethrin+bifenthrin--4.0 to 10.3 fl oz/A Hero EC

Aphids (Green Peach and Potato)

Apply one of the following formulations:

Note: Thorough spray coverage beneath leaves is important.
 acetamiprid--2.0 to 4.0 oz/A Assail 30SG (or OLF)
 bifenthrin+imidacloprid--3.80 to 9.85 fl oz/A Brigadier
Chenopodium extract--2.0 to 3.0 qts/A Requiem
 clothianidin--**soil** 9.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A Belay 2.13SC, **foiar** 3.0 to 4.0 fl oz/A Belay 2.13SC
 flonicamid--2.0 to 2.8 oz/A Beleaf 50 SG
 imidacloprid--**soil** 7.0 to 14.0 fl oz/A Admire Pro (or OLF), **foiar** 1.3 to 2.2 fl oz/A Admire PRO (or OLF)
 imidacloprid+beta-cyfluthrin--3.8 to 4.1 fl oz/A Leverage 360
 lambda-cyhalothrin+thiamethoxam--4.0 to 4.5 fl oz/A Endigo ZC
 methomyl (**green peach aphid only**)--0.75 to 3.00 pts/A Lannate LV (or OLF)
 oxamyl--2.0 to 4.0 pt/A Vydate 2L
 pymetrozine--2.75 oz/A Fulfill 50WDG
 spirotetramat--4.0 to 5.0 fl oz/A Movento
 sulfoxaflor--1.5 to 2.0 fl oz/A Closer SC
 thiamethoxam--**soil** 1.66 to 3.67 oz/A Platinum 75SG; **foiar** 2.0 to 3.0 oz/A Actara 25WDG
 thiamethoxam+chlorantraniliprole--**soil** 10.0 to 13.0 fl oz/A Durivo; **foiar** 4.0 to 7.0 oz/A Voliam Flexi

Caterpillars Tomato Fruitworm also called Corn Earworm (CEW), Hornworm (HW), European Corn Borer (ECB), Cabbage Looper (CL)

Apply one of the following formulations:

Bacillus thuringiensis (**CL, HW only**)--1.0 lb Dipel (or OLF)

beta-cyfluthrin--1.6 to 2.8 fl oz/A Baythroid XL
 bifenthrin--2.1 to 6.4 fl oz/A Bifenture (Sniper, or OLF)
 chlorantraniliprole--**soil/drip/foliar** 3.5 to 5.0 fl oz/A
 Coragen 1.67SC
 cyfluthrin--1.6 to 2.8 fl oz/A Tombstone
 emamectin benzoate (**except CL and ECB**)--2.4 to 4.8 oz/A
 Proclaim 5 SG
 esfenvalerate (**except ECB**)--5.8 to 9.6 fl oz/A Asana XL
 fenpropathrin (**except ECB**)--10.67 fl oz/A Danitol 2.4EC
 flubendiamide--1.5 fl oz/A Belt SC
 flubendiamide+buprofezin--12.0 to 17.0 fl oz/A Vetica
 gamma-cyhalothrin--2.56 to 3.84 fl oz/A Proaxis
 imidacloprid+beta-cyfluthrin--3.8 to 4.1 fl oz/A Leverage
 360
 indoxacarb--3.5 oz/A Avaunt 30WDG (or OLF)
 lambda-cyhalothrin--1.28 to 1.92 fl oz/A Warrior II or 2.56
 to 3.84 fl oz/A Lambda-Cy (LambdaT, or OLF)
 lambda-cyhalothrin+chlorantraniliprole--6.0 to 9.0 fl oz/A
 Voliam Xpress
 lambda-cyhalothrin+thiamethoxam--4.0 to 4.5 fl oz/A Endigo
 ZC
 methomyl--3.0 pts/A Lannate LV (or OLF)
 methoxyfenozide--4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A Intrepid 2F
 spinetoram--5.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A Radiant SC
 spinosad--3.0 to 6.0 fl oz/A Entrust SC
 tebufenozide--6.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A Confirm 2F
 thiamethoxam+chlorantraniliprole--4.0 to 7.0 oz/A Voliam
 Flexi
 zeta-cypermethrin--2.24 to 4.00 fl oz/A Mustang Maxx (or
 OLF)
 zeta-cypermethrin+bifenthrin--4.0 to 10.3 fl oz/A Hero EC

Leafminers

Treat with one of the following formulations when first
 mines appear and repeat every 7 days or as needed.

abamectin--1.75 to 3.5 fl oz/A Agri-Mek 0.7SC (or OLF)
 chlorantraniliprole (**larvae only**) **soil/drip/foliar**--5.0 to 7.5
 fl oz/A Coragen 1.67SC
 cyromazine--2.66 oz/A Trigard
 dimethoate--0.50 to 1.0 pt/A Dimethoate4EC (or OLF)
 dinotefuran--**soil** 9.0 to 10.5 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL; or 5.0
 to 6.0 oz/A Venom 70SG; **foliar** 2.0 to 7.0 fl oz/A
 Scorpion 35SL or 1.0 to 4.0 oz/A Venom 70SG
 emamectin benzoate--4.8 oz/A Proclaim 5 SG
 lambda-cyhalothrin+chlorantraniliprole--6.0 to 9.0 fl oz/A
 Voliam Xpress
 spinetoram--6.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A Radiant SC
 spinosad--6.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A Entrust SC

True Armyworm (TAW), Fall Armyworm (FAW)

beta-cyfluthrin--1.6 to 2.8 fl oz/A Baythroid XL
 bifenthrin--2.1 to 6.4 fl oz/A Bifenture 2EC (Sniper, or
 OLF)
 bifenthrin+imidacloprid--5.10 to 9.85 fl oz/A Brigadier
 chlorantraniliprole--**soil/drip/foliar** 3.5 to 5.0 fl oz/A
 Coragen 1.67SC
 cyfluthrin--1.6 to 2.8 fl oz/A Tombstone (or OLF)
 emamectin benzoate--2.4 to 4.8 oz/A Proclaim 5 SG
 flubendiamide--1.5 fl oz/A Belt SC
 flubendiamide+buprofezin--12.0 to 17.0 fl oz/A Vetica
 gamma-cyhalothrin--2.56 to 3.84 fl oz/A Proaxis
 lambda-cyhalothrin--1.28 to 1.92 fl oz/A Warrior II or 2.56
 to 3.84 fl oz/A Lambda-Cy (LambdaT, or OLF)
 lambda-cyhalothrin+chlorantraniliprole--6.0 to 9.0 fl oz/A
 Voliam Xpress

lambda-cyhalothrin+thiamethoxam--4.0 to 4.5 fl oz/A Endigo
 ZC
 methomyl--3.0 pts/A Lannate LV (or OLF)
 methoxyfenozide--4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A Intrepid 2F
 novaluron--9.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A Rimon 0.83EC
 spinetoram--5.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A Radiant SC
 spinosad--4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A Entrust SC
 thiamethoxam+chlorantraniliprole--4.0 to 7.0 oz/A Voliam
 Flexi
 zeta-cypermethrin--2.24 to 4.00 fl oz/A Mustang Maxx (or
 OLF)
 zeta-cypermethrin+bifenthrin--4.0 to 10.3 fl oz/A Hero EC

Beet Armyworm

Apply one of the following formulations:

chlorantraniliprole--**soil/drip/foliar** 3.5 to 5.0 fl oz/A
 Coragen 1.67SC
 emamectin benzoate--2.4 to 4.8 oz/A Proclaim 5 SG
 flubendiamide--1.5 fl oz/A Belt SC
 flubendiamide+buprofezin--12.0 to 17.0 fl oz/A Vetica
 indoxacarb--3.5 oz/A Avaunt 30WDG (or OLF)
 lambda-cyhalothrin+chlorantraniliprole--6.0 to 9.0 fl oz/A
 Voliam Xpress
 methomyl--3.0 pts/A Lannate LV (or OLF)
 methoxyfenozide--4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A Intrepid 2F
 novaluron--9.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A Rimon 0.83EC
 spinetoram--5.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A Radiant SC
 spinosad--4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A Entrust SC
 thiamethoxam+chlorantraniliprole--4.0 to 7.0 oz/A Voliam
 Flexi

Mites

Mite infestations generally begin around field margins,
 grassy areas, and windbreaks. CAUTION: DO NOT mow or
 maintain these areas after midsummer since this forces mites
 into the crop. Localized infestations can be spot treated.

Note: Thorough spray coverage beneath leaves is
 important. The use of dimethoate for aphids and leafminers
 will reduce spider mite populations. Apply one of the
 following formulations:

abamectin--1.75 to 3.5 fl oz/A Agri-Mek 0.7SC (or OLF)
 bifenazate--0.75 to 1.00 lb/A Acramite 50WS
 fenpyroximate--2.0 pt/A Portal
 spiromesifen--7.0 to 8.5 fl oz/A Oberon 2SC

Pinworms

- This pest is introduced on southern transplants. Begin
 sprays if leaf damage is observed. Late evening sprays may
 be most effective when moths are active. Apply one of the
 following formulations:

abamectin--3.5 fl oz/A Agri-Mek 0.7SC (or OLF)
 beta-cyfluthrin--1.6 to 2.8 fl oz/A Baythroid XL
 chlorantraniliprole (**larvae**) **soil/drip/foliar**--3.5 to 5.0 fl
 oz/A Coragen 1.67SC
 cyfluthrin--1.6 to 2.8 fl oz/A Tombstone (or OLF)
 emamectin benzoate--2.4 to 4.8 oz/A Proclaim 5 SG
 flubendiamide--1.5 fl oz/A Belt SC
 flubendiamide+buprofezin--12.0 to 17.0 fl oz/A Vetica
 gamma-cyhalothrin--2.56 to 3.84 fl oz/A Proaxis
 imidacloprid+beta-cyfluthrin--3.8 to 4.1 fl oz/A Leverage
 360
 indoxacarb--3.5 oz/A Avaunt 30WDG (or OLF)
 lambda-cyhalothrin--1.28 to 1.92 fl oz/A Warrior II or 2.56
 to 3.84 fl oz/A Lambda-Cy (LambdaT, or OLF)

lambda-cyhalothrin+chlorantraniliprole--6.0 to 9.0 fl oz/A
Voliam Xpress
methomyl--3.0 pts/A Lannate LV (or OLF)
novaluron--9.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A Rimon 0.83EC
NoMate TPW--200 spirals/A

Note. NoMate is a technique using a mating disruption pheromone useful for preventing mating of emerging adults from young transplants. The pheromone is applied to a hard plastic matrix formed into a hanging "spiral" for dispersal into the air. Apply at first sign of pinworm larvae in leaves.

spinetoram--5.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A Radiant SC
spinosad--4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A Entrust SC
thiamethoxam+chlorantraniliprole--4.0 to 7.0 oz/A Voliam Flexi
zeta-cypermethrin--2.24 to 4.00 fl oz/A Mustang MAX (or OLF)
zeta-cypermethrin+bifenthrin--4.0 to 10.3 fl oz/A Hero EC

Thrips

Several species of thrips spread Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus. Scout for thrips and begin treatments when thrips are observed. Do not produce vegetable transplants with bedding plants in the same greenhouse. Apply one of the following formulations:

acetamiprid--1.5 to 2.5 oz/A Assail 30SG (or OLF)
beta-cyfluthrin--1.6 to 2.8 fl oz/A Baythroid XL
cyfluthrin--1.62 to 8 fl oz/A Tombstone (or OLF)
dinotefuran--**soil** 9.0 to 10.5 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL; or 5.0 to 6.0 oz/A Venom 70SG; **foliar** 2.0 to 7.0 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL or 1.0 to 4.0 oz/A Venom 70SG
gamma-cyhalothrin (**except Western flower thrips**)--2.56 to 3.84 fl oz/A Proaxis
imidacloprid--**soil** 14.0 fl oz/A Admire Pro (or OLF)
imidacloprid+beta-cyfluthrin--3.8 to 4.1 fl oz/A Leverage 360
lambda-cyhalothrin (**except Western flower thrips**)--1.28 to 1.92 fl oz/A Warrior II or 2.56 to 3.84 fl oz/A Lambda-Cy (LambdaT, or OLF)
lambda-cyhalothrin+thiamethoxam (**except Western flower thrips**)--4.0 to 4.5 fl oz/A Endigo ZC
spinetoram--5.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A Radiant SC
spinosad--4.0 to 8.0 fl oz/A Entrust SC
thiamethoxam+chlorantraniliprole--**soil** 10.0 to 13.0 fl oz/A Durivo

Stink bug

Apply one of the following formulations:
beta-cyfluthrin--1.6 to 2.8 fl oz/A Baythroid XL
bifenthrin--2.1 to 6.4 fl oz/A Bifenture 2EC (Sniper, or OLF)
bifenthrin+imidacloprid--5.10 to 9.85 fl oz/A Brigadier, Swagger or OLF
clothianidin--**soil** 9.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A Belay 2.13SC, **foliar** 3.0 to 4.0 fl oz/A Belay 2.13SC
cyfluthrin--1.6 to 2.8 fl oz/A Tombstone (or OLF)
dinotefuran--**soil** 9.0 to 10.5 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL; or 5.0 to 6.0 oz/A Venom 70SG; **foliar** 2.0 to 7.0 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL or 1.0 to 4.0 oz/A Venom 70SG
fenpropathrin **green stinkbug only**--10.67 fl oz/A Danitol 2.4 EC
gamma-cyhalothrin--2.56 to 3.84 fl oz/A Proaxis
imidacloprid+beta-cyfluthrin--3.8 to 4.1 fl oz/A Leverage 360

lambda-cyhalothrin--1.28 to 1.92 fl oz/A Warrior II or 2.56 to 3.84 fl oz/A Lambda-Cy (LambdaT, or OLF)
lambda-cyhalothrin+thiamethoxam--4.0 to 4.5 fl oz/A Endigo ZC
thiamethoxam+chlorantraniliprole--4.0 to 7.0 oz/A Voliam Flexi
zeta-cypermethrin--2.24 to 4.0 fl oz/A Mustang Maxx (or OLF)
zeta-cypermethrin+bifenthrin--4.0 to 10.3 fl oz/A Hero EC

Whiteflies

Apply one of the following formulations:
acetamiprid--1.5 to 2.5 oz/A Assail 30SG (or OLF)
buprofezin--9.0 to 13.6 fl oz/A Courier SC or OLF
Chenopodium extract--2.0 to 3.0 qt/A Requiem
chlorantraniliprole--**soil/drip/foliar** 3.5 to 5.0 fl oz/A Coragen 1.67SC
clothianidin--**soil** 9.0 to 12.0 fl oz/A Belay 2.13SC, **foliar** 3.0 to 4.0 fl oz/A Belay 2.13SC
dinotefuran--**soil** 9.0 to 10.5 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL; or 5.0 to 6.0 oz/A Venom 70SG; **foliar** 2.0 to 7.0 fl oz/A Scorpion 35SL or 1.0 to 4.0 oz/A Venom 70SG
fenpyroximate--2.0 pt/A Portal
imidacloprid--**soil only** 7.0 to 10.5 fl oz/A Admire PRO (or OLF)
pymetrozine--2.75 oz/A Fulfill 50WDG
pyriproxyfen--8.0 to 10.0 fl oz/A Knack
spiromesifen--7.0 to 8.5 fl oz/A Oberon 2SC
spirotetramat--4.0 to 5.0 fl oz/A Movento
sulfoxaflor--4.25 to 4.5 fl oz/A Closer SC
thiamethoxam--**soil 1.66 to 3.67** oz/A Platinum 75SG; **foliar** 2.0 to 3.0 oz/A Actara 25WDG
thiamethoxam+chlorantraniliprole--**soil** 10.0 to 13.0 fl oz/A Durivo; **foliar** 4.0 to 7.0 oz/A Voliam Flexi

Greenhouse Tomatoes see Table E-10

Pesticide	Use Category ¹	Hours to Reentry ²	Days to Harvest
INSECTICIDE			
abamectin	R	12	7
acetamiprid	G	12	7
azadirachtin	G	4	0
bifenthrin	R	12	1
bifenthrin + imidacloprid	R	12	1
bifenazate	G	12	3
buprofezin	G	12	7
<i>Chenopodium</i> extract	G	4	0
chlorantraniliprole (soil/drip/foliar)	G	4	1
chlorfenapyr	G	12	0
clothianidin (soil/foliar)	G	12	AP/21
cyfluthrin	R	12	0
cyromazine	G	12	0
diazinon	R	24	1
dimethoate	R	48	7
dinotefuran (soil/foliar)	G	12	21/1
emamectin benzoate	R	12	7
esfenvalerate	R	12	1
fenpropathrin	R	24	3
fenpyroximate	G	12	1
flonicamid	G	12	0
flubendiamide	G	12	1
flubendiamide + buprofezin	G	12	1
gamma-cyhalothrin	R	24	5

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Pesticide	Use Category ¹	Hours to Reentry ²	Days to Harvest ³
INSECTICIDE (cont'd)			
imidacloprid (soil/drip/foliar)	G	12	21/0
imidacloprid + cyfluthrin	R	12	0
indoxacarb	G	12	3
lambda-cyhalothrin	R	24	5
lambda-cyhalothrin + chlorantraniliprole	R	24	5
lambda-cyhalothrin + thiamethoxam	R	24	5
malathion	G	12	5
methamidaphos	R	48	7
methomyl	R	48	1
methoxyfenozide	G	4	1
novoluron	R	12	1
oxamyl	R	48	3
pymetrozine	G	12	0
pyrethrins	G	12	1
pyriproxyfen	G	12	14
rosemary oil + peppermint oil	G	0	0
spinetoram	G	4	1
spinosad	G	4	1
spiromesifen	G	12	1
spirotetramat	G	24	1
sulfoxaflor	G	12	1
thiamethoxam (soil/drip/foliar)	G	12	30/0
thiamethoxam + chlorantraniliprole (soil/drip/foliar)	G	12	30/1
zeta-cypermethrin	R	12	1
zeta-cypermethrin + bifenthrin	R	12	1
FUNGICIDE (FRAC code)			
Actigard (Group P1)	G	12	14
Aliette (Group 33)	G	12	14
Cabrio (Group 11)	G	12	0
Catamaran (Groups M5+33)	G	12	0
chlorothalonil (Group M5)	G	12	0
Contans WG (biological)	G	4	0
copper, fixed (Group M1)	G	24	0
Curzate (Group 27)	G	12	3
Endura (Group 7)	G	12	0
Flint (Group 11)	G	12	3
Flouronil (Groups 4 + M5)	G	48	14
Fontelis (Group 7)	G	12	0
Forum (Group 40)	G	12	4
Gavel (Groups 22 + M3)	G	48	5
mancozeb (Group M3)	G	12, 24	5
ManKocide (Groups M3 + M1)	G	48	5
Micora	G	4	0
Previcur Flex (Group 28)	G	12	5
Presidio (Group 43)	G	12	2
Priaxor (Groups 7 + 11)	G	12	7
Quadris (Group 11)	G	4	0
Quadris Top (Groups 3 + 11)	G	12	0
Rally (Group 3)	G	12	0
Ranman (Group 21)	G	12	0
Revus Top (Groups 3 + 40)	G	12	1
Ridomil Gold (Group 4)	G	48	0
Ridomil Gold Bravo (Groups 4 + M5)	G	48	14
Ridomil Gold Copper (Groups 4 + M1)	G	48	14
Scala (Group 9)	G	12	1
Switch (Groups 9 + 12)	G	12	0
Tanos (Groups 11 + 27)	G	12	3
Terraclor (Group 14)	G	12	AP
thiophanate-methyl (Group 1)	G	12	14
Ultra Flourish (Group 4)	G	48	0

See Table D-6.

¹ G = general, R = restricted,² Chemicals with multiple designations are based on product and/or formulation differences. CONSULT LABEL.³ AP=At Plant

Nematode Control

See Chapter E "Nematodes" section of Soil Pests--Their Detection and Control. Use fumigants listed in the "Soil Fumigation" section.

Disease Control

Seed Treatment

Check with your seed company to determine if seed is hot water treated. Purchase hot water treated seed if possible or request hot water seed treatment. Heat treatment of seeds is a non-chemical alternative to conventional chlorine treatments that only kill pathogens on the surface of the seed coat. Heat treatment has the additional benefit of killing pathogens that may be found within the seed coat. Heat treatment is particularly useful for crops, such as tomato and pepper, that are prone to seed-borne bacterial infections. Seed heat-treatment follows a strict time and temperature protocol, and is best done with thermostatically controlled water baths. Two baths are required; one for pre-heating, and a second for the effective (pathogen killing) temperature. The initial pre-heat cycle is for 10 minutes at 100°F (38°C) followed by the effective temperature. Soak tomato seed at 122°F (50°) for 25 minutes. Immediately after removal from the second bath, seeds should be rinsed with cool water to stop the heating process. Afterward, seeds should be dried on screen or paper. Do not use pelleted seeds because moisture results in the loss of coating material. Heat treat only seed that will be used during the current production season.

An alternative to hot water seed treatment is to use 1 part Alcide (sodium chlorite), 1 part lactic acid, and 18 parts water as a seed soak. Treat seed for 1 to 2 minutes under constant agitation and rinse for 5 minutes in cool running water. Following either treatment above, dry the seed, then dust with captan 50WP or thiram 480DP at 1 level tsp/lb seed (3.0 oz/100 lbs).

Damping-Off

Greenhouse: Use seed treatment and plant in a disease-free mix.

Field: At planting apply one of the following:

Aliette--2.5 to 5.0 lb 80WDG/A,
mefenoxam (Ridomil Gold--1.0-2.0 pt 4SL/A or 2.0 to 4.0 pt Ultra Flourish 2E/A). Apply in a 7-inch band at transplanting. Use formula given in the "Calibration for Changing from Broadcast to Band Application" section to determine amount of Ridomil Gold or Ultra Flourish needed per acre.

metalaxyl (MetaStar--2.0 to 4.0 pt 2E AG/A)

Additional field applications may be made as needed, see label for specific instructions.

Fumigants will also offer some suppression of in-field damping-off.

Bacterial Wilt

Use certified transplants. Avoid growing tomatoes in fields where bacterial wilt has occurred. Crop rotation to non-host crops is the best measure to reduce levels of bacterial wilt. In particular, avoid planting where tomatoes or peppers were grown in the preceding year. Some resistant cultivars, such as BHN669, are also available. Soil fumigation with a fumigant that contains either methyl bromide/iodide or chloropicrin may reduce disease occurrence. Ponds that are adjacent to previously diseased

fields may be contaminated with the causal agent. Avoid irrigating with pond water when possible, especially avoiding those ponds that may be contaminated.

Bacterial Canker

Use certified transplants. Rotate to allow 3 years between tomato plantings. When producing transplants, be sure to chlorox or heat-treat seed as described under the "Seed Treatment" section in Chapter E to help prevent bacterial canker. When producing transplants, in addition to using seed treatment, be sure to treat used transplant growing flats with sodium hypochlorite (bleach). See the "Treatment of Flats and Trays" section of Plant Growing in Chapter A. For staked tomatoes, stakes from bacterial canker infested fields should be power washed to remove excess debris and soil, soaked into in a 20% (one part bleach plus four parts water) commercial bleach solution for at least 30 minutes, and powerwashed a second time prior to use. Pruning and stringing particularly when foliage is wet, will promote spread of disease in infested fields. Avoid working plants when foliage is wet to reduce spread within the field. Applications of Actigard 50WG (0.33 oz/A increasing to 0.75 oz/A when plants are full size, see label for details) plus fixed copper (1.5 lb active/A) have been shown to reduce bacterial canker symptoms on fruit.

Bacterial Speck and Bacterial Spot

When producing transplants, be sure to chlorox- or heat-treat seed as described under the "Seed Treatment" section to help reduce seed infestation and carryover into transplant production. Apply streptomycin (Agri-Mycin 17, Agri-Strep) sprays (1.0 pound per 100 gallons, 1.25 teaspoon per gallon) when the first true leaves appear and continue every 4 to 5 days until transplanting. Streptomycin cannot be used after transplanting. Be sure to reduce moisture on foliage and injurious handling in the greenhouse. Rotate to allow 2 to 3 years between tomato plantings. There can be a high risk of developing bacterial leaf spot and/or speck when using southern-produced transplants. Use only certified transplants. Strains of copper resistant bacterial spot are common in some areas of the mid-Atlantic particularly on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. To ensure successful disease control, utilize Actigard either alone or in conjunction with copper-containing materials. Where disease is present or anticipated, do not work in fields when plant surfaces are wet. Apply one of the following beginning shortly after transplanting and repeat every 7 days.

Actigard--0.33 to 0.75 oz 50WG/A (follow label instructions),
copper, fixed--1.0 lb ai/A *plus* mancozeb--1.5 lb 75DF/A or OLF,
ManKocide--2.5 to 5.0 lb 61WP/A
Cuprofix MZ--1.75 to 7.25 lb 52.5DF/A

Postharvest Rots

To prevent rots in mature green tomatoes, avoid washing freshly harvested fruit in cold water. Avoid harvesting fruit when the foliage is wet. Maintain water temperature in flumes and tanks by not allowing temperature to get 10 degrees F above fruit temperature to prevent movement of bacteria into the stem end of the fruit. Use a minimum 100 ppm free chlorine and keep pH between 6.5 and 7.0 in the flume. Store at 55 degree F with relative humidity of 80%. For more information on methods for reducing postharvest losses see the website: <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/HS131>.

Powdery Mildew

For more control options on selected tomato diseases in greenhouses and high tunnels see Table E-14. "Selected Fungicides and Bactericides Labeled for Greenhouse Use".

The disease has been observed in unsprayed fields, and has resulted in defoliation. When the disease first appears, apply one of the following and repeat every 14 days:

Cabrio--8.0 to 12.0 20EG/A,
Rally--2.5 to 4.0 oz 40WSP/A,r
Revus Top--5.5 to 7.0 fl oz 4.16SC/A

In greenhouse settings, apply one of the following with thorough coverage of the upper and lower leaf surface and repeat at 7-day intervals:

JMS Stylet Oil--1.0 to 2.0 gal/100 gal,
Scala--7.0 fl oz 5SC/A

Timber Rot (*Sclerotinia*)

Rotate away from fields where snap or lima beans, peas, peanuts, lettuce or cucurbits have been grown. Apply 3 to 4 months prior to the 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 to 2 inches. However, to avoid the chance of infesting the upper soil layer with untreated sclerotia from the lower soil layer **do not plow** between treatment and transplanting times.

Timber rot occurs during prolonged periods of moisture and cooler temperatures (<80°F). Timing fungicide applications to be either just prior to or to coincide with favorable conditions for disease is essential for optimal disease control.

Control of white mold in the field:

Applying Contans in all areas within 300 ft of structure because the fungus produces spores which can travel via air currents into structures. Do not discard plant material within 300 ft of greenhouse or high tunnel.

Southern Blight (*Sclerotium rolfsii*)

Southern blight is more commonly seen in the southern portion of the Mid-Atlantic region. High soil moisture and temperature favor disease development. Long crop rotations with corn and small grains help reduce disease incidence. Weed control is also important since *Sclerotium rolfsii* can also infect a number of commonly encountered weeds in the Mid-Atlantic. Soil fumigation and staking tomatoes will greatly reduce disease incidence.

Fusarium and Verticillium Wilts

Be certain that you select a variety with resistance to Fusarium wilt. Soil fumigation and crop rotation are essential components of a successful management program for these wilts. For Fusarium wilt, select cultivars that are resistant to Races 1, 2, and 3 as all are prevalent on in the Mid-Atlantic region.

Leaf Spots (Early Blight, Septoria leaf spot) and Fruit Rots (Early blight, Anthracnose)

Follow a crop rotation that provides at least 2 years without tomatoes or potatoes. Use disease-free transplants and disease-resistant varieties when possible. For fields in mountainous areas, fields not rotated away from tomatoes, and in late planted fields, begin sprays shortly after transplanting. In all other areas, either follow a regular (7-day) spray schedule starting when crown fruit are one-third

their final size, or time sprays based on a locally-verified forecaster such as Tomcast® or TomFAST®.

Rotate one of the following fungicides to help delay the development of resistant pathogen strains:

Alternate:

chlorothalonil--2.0 to 3.0 pt 6F/A or OLF (also for gray leaf spot, black mold and soil rot)

mancozeb--3.0 lb 75DF/A or OLF (also for gray leaf spot and leaf mold)

Gavel--1.5 to 2.0 lb 75DF/A

With one of the following:

Cabrio--8.0 to 12.0 oz 20EG/A

Endura--2.5 to 3.5 oz 70W/A (also for Botrytis at 9.0 to 12.5 oz/A)

Flint--4.0 oz 50WDG/A, (Do not apply near Concord grapes)

Fontelis--10.0 to 24.0 fl oz 1.67SC/A

Priaxor--4.0 to 8.0 fl oz 4.17SC/A

Quadris--5.0 to 6.2 fl oz 2.08SC/A (Also for buckeye rot and black mold. Do not apply near apples: see label for details)

Quadris Top--8.0 fl oz 2.72SC/A

Revus Top--5.5 to 7.0 fl oz 4.16SC/A

Tanos--8.0 oz 50W/A *plus* protectant fungicide (also for buckeye rot suppression and gray leaf spot).

To provide effective late-season control, one additional may be necessary after the application of a fruit-ripening agent.

Materials in different FRAC codes should be alternated to reduce the chances for fungicide resistance development.

Late Blight

Transplants that are disease free should be used for plantings. If possible, produce your own transplants under sanitary conditions, since the use of transplants produced in other regions may increase the risk of a late blight infestation. When plants are 6 inches tall, apply one of the following *protectant* fungicides and repeat every 7 days, or follow a locally-verified disease forecasting system such as BLITECAST® to schedule the fungicide applications:

chlorothalonil--1.0 to 3.0 pt 6F/A or OLF,

Gavel--1.5 to 2.0 lb 75DF/A,

mancozeb--3.0 lb 75DF/A or OLF.

Protectant fungicides should only be applied preventatively. Monitor for movement of the disease by contacting your local extension professional or visiting the following website to receive updates on where the disease is currently located (www.usablight.org). Once late blight is detected in your area, tank mix one of the following translaminar fungicides which can move into and through leaves with a protectant fungicide. Products containing mefenoxam (Ridomil Gold brand names) should not be used unless your extension professional or the aforementioned website are certain that current strains are sensitive. To achieve the best control initially rotate between one of the following options:

Curzate--3.2 to 5.0 oz 60DF/A *plus* a protectant fungicide

Forum--6.0 fl oz 4.18SC/A *plus* a protectant fungicide

Presidio--3.0 to 4.0 fl oz 4SC/A *plus* a protectant fungicide

Previcur Flex--1.5 pt 6F/A *plus* a protectant fungicide

Ranman--2.10 to 2.75 fl oz 400SC/A *plus* a protectant fungicide

Reason--5.5 to 8.2 fl oz 500SC/A *plus* a protectant fungicide

Revus Top--5.5 to 7.0 fl oz 4.16SC/A *plus* a protectant fungicide (Not for use on small fruited varieties)

Tanos--8.0 oz 50WG/A *plus* a protectant fungicide

In greenhouse settings late blight can be particularly damaging. A strong scouting and preventative fungicide program is essential to reduce potential impacts. Microclimate management to reduce levels of free moisture on foliage is essential to reduce disease spread. The following materials permit greenhouse applications. You should consult fungicide labels to ensure greenhouse applications are permitted. The following materials can offer suppression and are labeled for greenhouse applications, apply one of the following:

Heritage--1.6 to 2.0 oz 50WG/A

Catamaran--5.5 to 7.0 pt 5.3F/A

Fruit Rot caused by Pythium and Buckeye Rot caused by Phytophthora

Apply mefenoxam (Ridomil Gold at 1.0 pint 4SL per acre or Ultra Flourish at 1.0 quart 2E per acre) as a soil surface application under the vines 4 to 8 weeks before harvest. Apply broadcast or banded (see Chapter E the section on "Calibrating Granular Application Equipment" for the amount needed per acre). Irrigate after application. An alternative to soil application of mefenoxam is to apply one of the following as a foliar spray beginning when crown fruit are one-third their final size and repeat every 14 days up to a total of 3 times:

mefenoxam + chlorothalonil (Flouronil, Ridomil Gold Bravo)--2.0 lb 76WP/A,

Ridomil Gold Copper--2.0 lb 65WP/A

If weather and soil conditions continue to favor disease development apply one of the following between applications of the above listed fungicides:

Gavel--1.5 to 2.0 lb 75DF/A,

Tanos--8.0 oz 50WG/A

Botrytis Fruit Rot (Gray Mold)

Gray mold is a problem during the fall in fields with dense foliage and poor drainage. For fall production, select fields with good drainage. Shortly before harvest when conditions are wet and cool, apply one of the following:

chlorothalonil--2.0 to 2.75 pt 6F/A or OLF (also very good for late blight),

Endura--9.0 to 12.5 oz 70WG/A (also very good for early blight; not for use in greenhouses),

Switch--11.0 to 14.0 oz 62.5WG/A

Leaf Mold (Fulvia/Cladosporium)

Leaf mold may occur during periods of high moisture particularly within the canopy. The disease is can also cause damage in greenhouse and high tunnel tomato plantings. In both settings, if the disease is present, precautions should be taken to minimize canopy moisture. For field outbreaks, the following fungicide can be used:

Revus Top--5.5 to 7.0 fl oz 4.16SC/A

Catamaran--4.5 to 7.0 pt 5.3F/A

Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus (TSWV)

TSWV can be serious and result in severely stunted plants. The virus is spread by thrips from ornamental plants (flowers), field crops, and weeds to tomatoes. TSWV can be particularly devastating in southern and eastern parts of Virginia. Use resistant varieties when available. Do not grow any ornamental bedding plants in the same greenhouse as tomato transplants. Control weeds in and around

greenhouses. Monitor greenhouses and tomato fields for thrips and begin an insecticide control program once thrips are observed. Use of reflective mulch can help repel thrips and can reduce the incidence of spotted wilt. If tomato crops are near wheat/barley fields be aware of increased thrips pressure (potentially increasing the likelihood of TSWV transmission) once the crop starts to turn brown in the spring.

WATERMELONS

Varieties¹

Seeded

Crimson Sweet (AR,FR1,OS)
Sangria*
Jamboree*(AT,FT)
Mardi Gras* (FR 1, AR)
StarBrite (AR, FR1,OS)
Top Gun*

Seedless

(all seedless varieties are triploid hybrids)

SS 7167
Gypsy
Troubadour
Fascination (FR 1, AR)
Crisp N Sweet
Sugar Coat
Sugar Heart
Tri-X 212
Tri-X-313 (OT, AR)
Liberty
Tri-X Palomar
SS7187
SS7197
ACX 6177 Plus
Super Crisp
Maxima
Revolution (oblong) (OT)
Amarillo (yellow)
SugaRed
Declaration
Crunchy Red

Seedless Personal (3-7 lbs)

(all seedless varieties are hybrids)

Extazy
Solitaire
Vanessa

Pollenizers***Standard diploid pollenizers***

Stargazer
Sangria
SF 800
Mickylee
Jade Star

Special diploid pollenizers

SP 5
SP 6
Pollen Pro
Accomplice
Sidekick

¹ Varieties listed by maturity, earliest first.

* Indicates hybrid varieties.

Letters in parentheses indicate disease resistance possessed by varieties. See the "Abbreviations" section in front portion of this publication.