

Using diuron-based herbicides? Know your no-spray periods

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Following the Australian Pest and Veterinary Medicines Authority APVMA review of diuron, the APVMA permit PER 13874 which allowed for the phase out of old stock of diuron-based products has now expired. This means that all diuron-based herbicides should be used as per their new product label instructions.

Products containing diuron only

- > If using at 450 g to 1.8 kg diuron **active** per hectare, region-specific no-spray periods apply:

| Region | No-spray periods |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Wet Tropics | Prohibited all year |
| Burdekin | Prohibited 1 January – 29 February |
| Mackay-Whitsunday | Prohibited 1 December – 30 April |
| Burnett-Mary | Prohibited 1 November – 29 February |
| NSW | Prohibited 1 November – 30 April |

For example: Nufarm Diuron 900DF, Bayer Diuron 900WG, Crop Care Diurex® WG, Agriron 900 WG at 500 g to 2 kg/ha.

- > At rates less than 450 g diuron **active** per hectare use at any time of the year in any region, mixed with paraquat.

For example: Nufarm Diuron 900DF, Crop Care Diurex® WG at rates less than 500 g per hectare.

Warning: Other products may not be registered for low-rate use at any time of the year.

Products containing diuron plus hexazinone

- > If using at 1.4 to 1.8 kg diuron **active** per hectare, region-specific no-spray periods apply:

| Region | No-spray periods |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Wet Tropics | Prohibited all year |
| Burdekin | Prohibited 1 January – 29 February |
| Mackay-Whitsunday | Prohibited 1 November – 30 April |
| Burnett-Mary | Prohibited 1 November – 29 February |
| NSW | Prohibited 1 November – 31 March |

For example: Dupont™ Velpar® K4™ DF®, Crop Care Barrage and Farnoz Bobcat® Combi WG at 3 to 3.8 kg/ha.

- > At less than 450 g diuron **active** per hectare, use at any time of the year in any region.

For example: Dupont™ Velpar® K4™ DF®, Crop Care Barrage and Farnoz Bobcat® Combi WG at less than 960 g/ha.

- > You can use Dupont™ Velpar® K4™ DF®, Crop Care Barrage and Farnoz Bobcat® Combi WG for spot-spraying at 1 kg/100 L at any time of the year in any region (up to 5 per cent of total farm area).

