

Walnut

2015 Pest Management Guide for the Willamette Valley

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The chemicals, formulations, and rates listed for insect, mite, and disease control are among the best recommendations based on label directions, research, and orchard use experience. Only a thorough knowledge of the orchard, its cultivar, tree size and density, canopy characteristics, pest complex, and past pest problems will enable you to correctly select chemicals, rates, amount of water used per acre, and method of application for optimum pest control. Occasionally, different formulations of a product or like formulations containing a different amount of active ingredient also are registered and effective for use on the pests listed. These products also may be used; we do not intend to discriminate against them. You may wish to consult their labels and determine whether their use confers advantages over the products listed in this guide.

Always refer to the pesticide label for use instructions. It is the legal document regarding use patterns. Two questions frequently are asked about the chemical control of insects and diseases: “How much chemical do I use per acre?” and “What is the least amount of water I need per acre to apply in my concentrate sprayer?” Notice that the schedule below suggests an amount of formulated product (not active ingredient) to use per acre. This amount is based on a “typical” middle age and density orchard with moderate pest pressure. Less material may be needed (than that given) for 1- to 4-year-old orchards, and more chemical (within label limits) may be required for large, mature trees experiencing heavy pest pressure from multiple pests.

Many insecticide labels today indicate the minimum amount of water needed per acre to apply concentrate sprays of insecticides, as well as how to calculate the amount of chemical needed per acre in a concentrate sprayer. **CHECK LABEL BEFORE SPRAYING!** Some label directions indicate dilute applications only.

Also:

1. Make sure any tank-mixes of pesticides are compatible. For example, the elevated pH of some boron spray solutions weakens many insecticides.
2. Use adjuvants and spreader stickers with caution.

Important information

1. Diazinon is not labeled for use on walnuts. Existing supplies with the older label still may be used according to label instructions.
2. Blackline of walnuts is a serious disease that can't be controlled by use of pesticides. For more information, see EM 8907, *Growing Walnuts in Oregon*. Order from Publication Orders, Extension & Station Communications, Oregon State University, 422 Kerr Administration, Corvallis, OR 97331-2119 (puborders@oregonstate.edu; 800-561-6719 or 541-737-2513).

Stages

Early Prebloom
Late Prebloom
Postbloom

Not shown

June–July; July–August



Early Prebloom



Late Prebloom



Postbloom

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Walnut Pest Control Recommendations

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Early Prebloom (late March to early April, when catkins begin to enlarge)

Pest or disease/ Material	Amount of product per acre	Comments/Reentry interval/Preharvest interval (PHI)
Blight and downy leaf spot		
bordeaux 4-2-100	—	The low-lime formula reduces the possibility of bordeaux foliage injury. See footnote 2, page 4.
C-O-C-S WDG	4–7.7 lb	48-hour reentry.
Copper-Count-N	8–12 qt	48-hour reentry.
Cuprofix Ultra 40 Dispers	5–10 lb	48-hour reentry.
Kocide 3000	3.5–7 lb	48-hour reentry.
Manzate Flowable Fungicide	1.8 qt	Label indicates you must tank-mix with a fixed copper product. Group M3 fungicide. 24-hour reentry. 75-day PHI. See footnote 4, page 4.
Nordox 75 WG	5–8 lb	12-hour reentry
Nu-Cop 50DF	4–8 lb	48-hour reentry.
Python 27 AG	30–50 fl oz/ 100 gal water	48-hour reentry.

Late Prebloom (early to mid-May, when shoots begin to expand)

Pest or disease/ Material	Amount of product per acre	Comments/Reentry interval/Preharvest interval (PHI)
Blotch (anthracnose)		
<i>Note:</i> No materials are registered specifically for this disease. The following are suggested, but there is no information about efficacy.		
Adament 50WG	4–8 oz	Group 3 + 11 fungicide. 12-hour reentry. 60-day PHI.
Gem 500SC	1.9–3.8 oz	12-hour reentry.
Luna Experience	8.8–17 fl oz	Group 3 + 7 fungicide. 12-hour reentry. 35-day PHI.
Luna Sensation	5.6–7.6 fl oz	Group 7 + 11 fungicide. 12-hour reentry. 60-day PHI.
Merivon	5–6.5 fl oz	Group 7 + 11 fungicide. Do not use with EC or oil-based products. 12-hour reentry. 14-day PHI.
Pristine	10.5–14.5 oz	Group 7 + 11 fungicide. 12-hour reentry. 14-day PHI.
Quadris Top	12–14 fl oz	Group 3 + 11 fungicide. 12-hour reentry. 45-day PHI.
Quilt Xcel	14–21 oz	Group 3 + 11 fungicide. 12-hour reentry. 60-day PHI.
Regalia	1–4 qt	Use with a surfactant and on 7-day intervals. 4-hour reentry.
Syllit FL	4.5 pt	48-hour reentry. 7-day PHI.
Tilt	4–8 fl oz	12-hour reentry. 60-day PHI.

Blight

See materials listed for Early Prebloom Stage.

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Postbloom (late May)

Pest or disease/ Material	Amount of product per acre	Comments/Reentry interval/Preharvest interval (PHI)
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Blight

See materials listed for Early Prebloom Stage.

June–July

Pest or disease/ Material	Amount of product per acre	Comments/Reentry interval/Preharvest interval (PHI)
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Aphids

Asana XL	9.6–19.2 oz	Do not use more than 0.2 lb ai/A per season. Do not feed or graze livestock on treated orchard floors. 21-day PHI.
Assail 70WP	1.1–4.1 oz	14-day PHI.
Brigade WSB	0.05–0.2 lb ai/A (18–32 fl oz)	7-day PHI.
Cobalt	26–57 oz	Do not make more than 2 applications per season. 14-day PHI.
Esteem	16 fl oz	Do not exceed 2 applications per season. 12-hour reentry. 21-day PHI.
insecticidal soap (M-Pede)	2%	0-day PHI.
Lorsban 75WG	2–2.67 lb	Make no more than 1 dormant stage application and no more than 2 foliar spray applications on walnuts per season. Do not graze orchard floors. 24-hour reentry. 14-day PHI.
Malathion 57% EC	See labels. (4 pt)	See footnote 1, page 4. 7-day PHI.
Movento	6–9 oz	7-day PHI.
Provado 1.6	3.5–7 oz	7-day PHI.
Success Naturalyte Insect Control	4–10 oz	Do not apply fewer than 14 days apart. Do not use more than 29 oz/A per season. 14-day PHI.
Supracide 2E	1-2 pt as dilute spray, 4–8 pt as concentrate spray	Apply as a cover spray when aphids appear. Do not graze orchard floors. 48-hour reentry, depending on rate. 7-day PHI.
Warrior II	1.28–2.56 fl oz	14-day PHI.

Aphids, codling moth

Note: Monitor codling moth with pheromone traps beginning in June. See footnote 3, page 4.

Scales (apply when crawlers appear; chemical control of scales usually is not necessary)

Esteem	16 fl oz	Do not exceed 2 applications per season. 12-hour reentry. 21-day PHI.
Intrepid 2F	12–24 fl oz	4-hour reentry. 14-day PHI. (suppression of codling moth only)
Movento	6–9 oz	7-day PHI. (aphids only)
Supracide 2E	1-2 pt as dilute spray, 4–8 pt as concentrate spray	Do not graze orchard floors. Do not make more than 2 cover sprays during the growing season. 2- to 14-day reentry, depending on rate. 7-day PHI.

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July–August

Pest or disease/ Material	Amount of product per acre	Comments/Reentry interval/Preharvest interval (PHI)
Walnut husk fly		
Ambush 25 WG	12.8–25.6 oz	Do not graze orchard floor. 12-hour reentry. 12-day PHI.
Asana XL	9.6–19.2 oz	See restrictions under aphids. 21-day PHI.
Baythroid XL	2.4–2.8 oz	14-day PHI.
Brigade WSB	0.1–0.2 lb ai/A (18–32 fl oz)	7-day PHI.
Cobalt	26–57 oz	Do not make more than 2 applications per season. 14-day PHI.
Delegate WG	3–7 oz	No more than 4 applications per season. 14-day PHI.
Imidan 70W	4.33–8.5 lb	Do not apply more than 5 times per season. 28-day PHI.
Lorsban 75WG	2.67 lb	Make no more than 1 dormant stage application and no more than 2 foliar spray applications on walnuts per season. Do not graze orchard floors. 14-day PHI.
Lorsban 4E	4 pt	Make no more than 1 dormant stage application and no more than 2 foliar spray applications on walnuts per season. Do not graze orchard floors. 14-day PHI.
Malathion 57% EC	See labels. (4 pt)	See footnote 1, page 4. 7-day PHI.
Pounce 25 WG	12.8–16.0 oz	Do not graze orchard floor. 1-day PHI.
Success Naturalyte Insect Control	4–10 oz	Do not apply treatments fewer than 7 days apart. Do not use more than 29 oz/A per season. Entrust is the organic formulation. GF-120 NF is the spinosad bait formulation. 1-day PHI.
Warrior II	1.28–2.56 fl oz	14-day PHI.

Fall webworm

Note: Insecticides labeled for walnut husk fly, diazinon, and *Bacillus thuringiensis* will control this pest. Only spot treatments are necessary. Completely drench the infested branch. Applications made when the larvae are small are most effective.

Footnotes

1. More than one type of formulation usually is available for most insecticides. Lower rates can be used on smaller trees.
2. Bordeaux 4-2-100 means 4 pounds of copper sulfate plus 2 pounds of hydrated lime in 100 gallons of water. In any bordeaux formula, ingredients always are listed in the same order—copper sulfate, hydrated lime, then gallons of water.
3. Early summer nut drop can be a result of codling moth infestation. Inspect nuts for larvae and monitor moths with pheromone traps. *Walnut Production Manual* (University of California Publication 3373) provides information on codling moths as a pest of walnuts.
4. Resistance to copper products has been seen widely in California and may be a problem in the Pacific Northwest. However, copper-resistant bacteria do not seem to cause as much disease as ones that are copper sensitive. Addition of mancozeb (such as Manzate) will boost the copper ion concentration and may result in improved disease control. Bacteria, however, will become resistant to the higher copper concentrations.

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Table 1. Quick Reference Guide for Herbicides Labeled for Use in Fruit and Nut Crops

- Shaded boxes indicate the herbicide is labeled for use in that crop.
- Nonbearing (NB) indicates the herbicide is labeled only for crops that will not be harvested for 1 year. It has a 365-day preharvest interval.
- Herbicides in **bold, italic** type are recommended for new plantings.
- For more complete information, please refer to the *PNW Weed Management Handbook*: <http://pnwhandbooks.org/weed/>.

Ingredient common name (herbicide mode of action)	Product name example	Nuts			Pome fruits		Stone fruits						Rates
		Chestnut	Hazelnut	Walnut	Apple	Pear	Apricot	Cherry	Nectarine	Peach	Plum	Prune	
Applications that persist in soil and are soil active													
diuron (7)	Karmex												See label for crop-specific application rates.
dichlobenil (20)	Casoron												4–6 lb ai/A (100–150 lb/A Casoron). Apply in cold, wet weather.
<i>isoxaben</i> (21)	<i>Trellis, Gallery</i>				NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	0.5–1 lb ai/A (0.66–1.33 lb/A product)
indaziflam (29)	Alion												0.046–0.085 lb ai/A (3.5–6.5 oz/A product) depending on soil texture
<i>napropamide</i> (3)	<i>Devrinol 10-G</i>												4 lb ai/A (40 lb/A Devrinol 10-G)
norflurazon (12)	Solicam												1.97–7.8 lb ai/A (2.5–10 lb/A Solicam)
<i>oryzalin</i> (3)	<i>Surflan</i>												2–6 lb ai/A (2–6 qt/A Surflan)
<i>pendimethalin</i> (3)	<i>Prowl</i>												Prowl H ₂ O: 1.9–6 lb ai/A (2–6.3 qt/A) depending on desired length of weed control and crop
<i>pronamide</i> (3)	<i>Kerb</i>												1–4 lb ai/A (2–8 lb/A). Rate depends on species present and soil texture.
simazine (5)	Princep												See product labels for rates. Princep Caliber 90 is a Special Local Needs label (OR-080038) for sweet cherries only.
sulfentrazone	Zeus XC												0.25–0.375 lb ai/A (8–12 oz/A) depending on soil classification; established 3 years
terbacil (5)	Sinbar					NB	NB	NB				NB	0.4–0.8 lb ai/A (0.5–1 lb/A), newly established; 2–4 lb/A Sinbar, bearing, depending on soil type
<i>trifluralin</i> (3)	<i>Treflan</i>												0.5–1 lb ai/A (1–2 pt/A Treflan 4L)
trifluralin (3) + isoxaben (21) + oxyfluorfen (14)	Showcase	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	2.5–5 lb ai/A (100–200 lb/A Showcase)
Applications that persist in soil and have both soil and foliar activity													
flumioxazin (14)	Chateau												0.188–0.38 lb ai/A (6–12 oz/A Chateau WDG). Note differences in rates and uses in SW and WDG labels. Avoid contact with green bark on small trees.

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CONTINUED—Applications that persist in soil and have both soil and foliar activity													
oxyflufen (14)	Goal												1.25–2 lb ai/A (5–8 pt/A Goal 2XL)
penoxsulam (2)	Pindar GT												(1.5–3.0 pt/A)
rimsulfuron (2)	Matrix												0.063 lb ai/A (4 oz/A Matrix FNV per year)
saflufenacil (14)	Treevix												0.045 lb ai/A (1 oz/A Treevix)
Postemergence contact and translocated herbicides													
acetic acid	WeedPharm												
carfentrazone (14)	Aim												Green sucker control in hazelnuts: 0.031 lb ai/A (2 fl oz/A Aim EC)
clethodim (1)	Select Max		NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB		NB		NB	0.068–0.121 lb ai/A (9–16 fl oz/A Select Max)
clopyralid (4)	Stinger												Apples: 0.094–0.25 lb ae/A (0.25–0.66 pt/A Stinger) Others: 0.12–0.25 lbs ae/A (0.33–0.66 pt/A Stinger)
diquat (22)	Reglone		NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	NB	0.375–0.5 lbs ai/A (1.5–2 pt/A)
fluazifop (1)	Fusilade DX		NB	NB	NB	NB							0.25–0.375 lb ai/A (16–24 oz/A Fusilade DX). Refer to specific grassy weeds listed on label.
glufosinate (10)	Rely 280												0.88 to 1.5 lb ai/A (1.5 to 2.5 qt/A Rely 280); sucker control 1.75 qt/A
glyphosate (9)	Roundup												General weed control and grass suppression in row middles. Read label carefully for crops listed and geographic location.
halosulfuron (2)	Sandea												Apples: 0.035–0.094 lb ai/A (0.75–2 oz/A) Nut crops: 0.031–0.063 lb ai/A (2/3–1 1/2 oz/A)
paraquat (22)	Gramoxone Inteon												Green sucker control in hazelnuts: 0.625–1 lb cation/A (2.5–4 pt/A Gramoxone Inteon; 1.7–2.7 pt/A Firestorm)
pyraflufen (14)	Venue												0.001–0.005 lb ai/A (0.7–4 fl oz product/A)
sethoxydim (1)	Poast										NB	NB	Grass suppression in row middles: 0.28–0.47 lb ai/A (1.5–2.5 pt/A product)
2,4-D (4)	Saber												Green sucker control in hazelnuts: 0.7–0.95 lb ai/A (1.5–2 pt/A)

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OSU Internet Resources for Plant Protection

Information regarding plant protection is available from several sources at OSU. The following listings are excellent examples:

- OSU Integrated Plant Protection Center. Online weather data and degree day information for insect pests and diseases (<http://uspest.org/wea/>)
- Pacific Northwest Plant Disease Management Handbook (<http://pnwhandbooks.org/plantdisease>)
- Pacific Northwest Insect Management Handbook (<http://pnwhandbooks.org/insect>)
- Pacific Northwest Weed Management Handbook (<http://pnwhandbooks.org/weed>)

Using Pesticides Safely

Always Read the Label

The single most important approach to pesticide safety is to read the pesticide label before each use and then follow the directions. If still in doubt after reading the label, contact a person qualified to help evaluate the hazard of the chemical and its use. Qualified people include extension specialists, county educators, pesticide product representatives, and retailers.

Pesticides are toxic and should be handled with care—but can be used safely if you follow recommended precautions. Follow all label requirements; strongly consider any recommendations for additional personal protective clothing and equipment. In addition to reading and following the label, other major factors in the safe and effective use of pesticides are the pesticide applicator's qualifications, common sense, and positive attitude. Always take all safety precautions when using pesticides.

In case of accidents involving pesticides, see your doctor at once. It will help your doctor to know exactly which pesticide is involved. The label on the container gives this information. Take to the physician the pesticide label or information from the label, such as the product name, registration number of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), common name and percentage of active ingredient, and first aid instructions. If the label cannot be removed, take along the pesticide container (if not contaminated), but do not take it into the hospital or doctor's office.

Pesticide Safety Checklist

- Use pesticides only when necessary and as part of an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program.
- Always read the label and follow the instructions.
- Do not allow children to play around sprayers or mixing, storage, and disposal areas.
- Wear appropriate protective clothing and equipment.
- Never eat, drink, or smoke while handling pesticides.
- Avoid drift into non-target areas and pesticide runoff into streams, rivers, lakes, irrigation ponds and canals.
- Avoid spilling materials on skin or clothing.
- Have access to clean water, soap, and first aid supplies.
- Keep pesticides in a dry and locked storage area away from food and feed.
- Triple rinse or pressure rinse empty containers and dispose or recycle in accordance with state and local regulations.
- Stay out of recently sprayed areas until the spray has dried, and observe the restricted entry intervals (REI) specified on the pesticide label.
- Follow the pre-harvest interval (PHI) on the pesticide label before harvesting crops or gardens and before allowing livestock to graze fields.

Oregon Poison Center

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If a person has collapsed or is not breathing, dial 911.

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