

GRAIN SORGHUM WEED MANAGEMENT

	barnyardgrass	broadleaf signalgrass	crabgrass	foxtail	seedling johnsongrass	rhizome johnsongrass	yellow nutsedge	purple nutsedge	Palmer amaranth	prickly sida	hemp sesbania	morningglory	sicklepod	hophornbeam copperleaf	smellmelon
PREEMERGENCE HERBICIDES:¹															
atrazine (numerous formulations)	7	7	6	7	5	1	5	0	8	8	8	8	8	9	5
atrazine + metolachlor/S-metolachlor + safener	9	8	9	9	8	1	9	1	8	8	8	8	8	9	9
metolachlor/S-metolachlor + safener	8	8	9	9	7	1	7	1	9	2	2	2	2	2	1
Outlook	8	8	9	9	7	1	7	1	8	2	2	2	2	2	1
Lexar EZ	9	9	9	9	7	1	9	1	9	8	8	8	8	9	9
Sharpen	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	9	7	6	6	5	7	7
Verdict	8	8	9	9	7	1	7	1	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
POSTEMERGENCE HERBICIDES:															
2,4-D	1	1		1	0	0	3	2	8	8	8	9	8	8	8
atrazine (numerous formulations)	7	5	6	7	3	3	3	1	8	8	7	8	7	9	9
Clarity/Banvel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	8	9	9	9	7	8	8
Facet + atrazine	8	8	7	7	4	0	3	1	8	8	9	9	7	8	7
Huskie + atrazine	6	6	6	-	3	3	-	-	9	9	8	9	8	8	7
Peak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	9	8	8	8	-	-
Permit	0	3	3	-	3	3	9	7	6	7	4	5	6	-	-
Yukon	0	3	3	-	3	3	9	7	9	8	9	9	8	6	8
LAYBY HERBICIDES:															
atrazine	4	4	4	4	4	1	2	0	8	0	7	8	6	9	9
diuron	6	6	6	6	6	1	2	1	8	7	6	7	7	9	9

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PREPLANT/PREEMERGENCE¹:			
S-metolachlor ² @ 0.9-1.4 lb/A	Dual Magnum/Cinch @ 1-1.6 pt/A	Yellow nutsedge, annual grasses, pigweed	Use with Concep-treated grain sorghum seed only. Incorporate thoroughly in top 2 inches within 14 days of planting.
atrazine @ 2.0 lb/A	90 DF formulations @ 2.2 lb/A 4L formulations @ 2 qt/A Reduce rate by 25% on highly erodible soils.	Most annual small-seeded broadleaf weeds and some grasses	Apply after planting before weeds and crop emerge. Do not apply to soils with less than 1% OM or to soils of lighter texture than silt loams. Only sorghum or corn should be planted within 1 year on soil treated with atrazine. Do not exceed 2.0 lb ai/A/applications or 2.5 lb ai/A/year. Follow the label concerning maximum atrazine rates.
dimethenamid-P @ 0.56-0.98 lb/A	Outlook 6L @ 12-21 oz/A Rate depends upon soil type. See label.	Yellow nutsedge, annual grasses, pigweed	Use with Concep-treated grain sorghum seed only. Do not use on forage sorghum. See label for tank-mix applications and for restrictions.
S-metolachlor ² @ 1.0-1.9 lb/A	Various formulations - see product label for specific rates.	Most annual grasses and some broadleaf weeds	Use with Concep-treated grain sorghum seed only. Apply after planting before weeds and crop emerge. Do not apply to light soils or any soils with less than 1% organic matter.
S-metolachlor @ 0.75-1.25 lb/A + atrazine @ 1.0-1.63 lb/A	Various formulations - see product label for specific rates.	Most small-seeded annual grasses and broadleaf weeds	Use with Concep-treated grain sorghum seed only. Apply after planting before weeds and crop emerge. See comments for atrazine and s-metolachlor. Use Bicep Lite if another atrazine application will be needed at layby. Do not use on coarse textured soils. Injury can occur if applied when soils are cool and wet during early growth of grain sorghum.
S-metolachlor @ 1.3 lb/A + atrazine @ 1.3 lb/A + mesotrione @ 0.168 lb/A	Lexar EZ @ 3 qt/A	Most small-seeded grasses and broadleaf weeds	Use with Concep-treated grain sorghum seed only. Can be applied preplant (up to 21 days before planting) to preemergence. Do not apply to sand, sandy loam or loamy sand soils. Do not apply to forage sorghum, sweet sorghum, sudangrass or sorghum-sudangrass, or dual-purpose sorghum. Postemergence application will cause severe grain sorghum injury. Injury can occur if applied when soils are cool and wet during early growth of grain sorghum.
saflufenacil @ 0.02-0.05 lb/A + dimethenamid-P @ 0.16-0.39 lb/A	Verdict @ 4-12 oz/A Rate depends upon soil type. See label.	Small-seeded grasses and broadleaf weeds	Use with Concep-treated grain sorghum seed only. Can be applied preplant to preemergence. Rates depend upon soil texture. Postemergence application to grain sorghum will cause severe injury. Injury can occur if applied when soils are cool and wet during early growth of grain sorghum.

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POSTEMERGENCE:			
2,4-D amine @ 0.5 lb/A	2,4-D amine @ 1.0 pt/A	Small broadleaf weeds	Apply after sorghum is 4-6 inches tall until flowering. Use directed application taken care to keep 2,4-D out of whorl once sorghum is 10-12 inches tall. Do not use when sorghum is flowering.
atrazine @ 1.0-2.0 lb/A	90 DF formulations @ 1.11-2.2 lb/A 4L formulations @ 1-2 qt/A Add 1% v/v COC	Most effective on broadleaf weeds	Apply before weeds are 1.5 inches tall and after sorghum is 4-6 inches tall. Weeds larger than 1.5 inches tall may not be killed. Do not apply to sandy loam or lighter soil textures. Preferred application as directed spray but may be applied overtop where sorghum is not under stress. Sorghum should not be grazed within 21 days. Do not exceed 2.5 lb ai/A/season. Follow label restrictions on maximum atrazine rates.
bromoxynil @ 0.18-0.22 lb/A + pyrasulfotole @ 0.03-0.39 lb/A	Huskie @ 12.8-16 oz/A Add 0.25% v/v NIS	Broadleaf weeds	Apply from 3-leaf to 30-inch grain sorghum or until flag leaf emerges. Use high rate for morningglory and pigweed control. Weeds must be small for acceptable results. Expect some temporary injury following application. Atrazine at 0.5-1 lb/A should be tank-mixed to broaden the weed spectrum.
dicamba @ 0.25 lb/A	Clarity or Banvel @ 0.5 pt/A	Most broadleaf weeds; see label	Apply at Spike to 15-inch tall sorghum. Optimal timing is 3 to 5 leaf sorghum, when weeds are less than 3 inches tall. Effective for controlling small broadleaf weeds like morningglory, smartweed, etc. Mixing with atrazine adds to residual control (up to 12 inches tall sorghum). Use drop nozzles if sorghum is taller than 8 inches.
halosulfuron @ 0.031-0.047 lb/A	Permit @ 0.67-1.0 oz/A Add 1% v/v COC or 0.25% v/v NIS	Selected broadleaves and sedges	Apply to sorghum 2-leaf to layby (before grain head emergence). Use only a single application with the total rate not to exceed 1.0 oz/A per season.
halosulfuron @ 0.031-0.047 lb/A + dicamba @ 0.14-0.21 lb/A	Yukon 67.5 WSG @ 4- 6 oz/A Add 1% v/v COC or 0.25% v/v NIS	Nutsedge, morningglories, common ragweed	Apply to 2-leaf to 15-inch sorghum. Do not exceed 8 oz/A/season.
prosulfuron @ 0.027 lb/A	Peak @ 0.75 oz/A Add 0.25% v/v NIS	Most broadleaf weeds	See crop rotation section on label for precautions about rotational. Do not apply to grain sorghum under stress from moisture or cold weather. Do not apply to sorghum that has been treated with an organophosphate insecticide at planting or within 15

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			day of postemergence organophosphate insecticide application.
POSTEMERGENCE continued:			
quinclorac @ 0.25-0.375 lb/A + atrazine @ 0.5-1.0 lb/A	Facet L @ 22-32 oz/A + 1-2 pt/A atrazine (4L) Add 1% v/v COC	Broadleaf weeds controlled by atrazine plus improved grass control	See comments for atrazine plus crop oil above. Facet L can be applied to grain sorghum from emergence up to 12 inches tall. Apply when weeds are small and actively growing. See label.
PREHARVEST:			
carfentrazone @ 0.016 lb/A	Aim @ 1.0 oz/A Add 0.25% v/v NIS	Desiccation of morningglories	Apply 3 days prior to harvest. Thorough coverage is essential; use at least 10 GPA. Tank mixture can include sodium chlorate.
glyphosate @ 0.77-1.0 lb/A	Roundup PowerMax II @ 22 oz/A 4L formulations @ 32 oz/A	Grass and broadleaf weeds, grain sorghum regrowth	May be applied prior to harvest after grain sorghum has reached 30% moisture or less. Allow a minimum of 7 days preharvest interval. Not recommended for grain sorghum grown for seed. Consult label.
sodium chlorate @ 6 lb/A	6 lb/gal formulation @ 1 gal/A 5 lb/gal formulation @ 1.2 gal/A 3 lb/gal formulation @ 2 gal/A	Desiccation of green vegetation	Apply 7-10 days prior to harvest. Follow label directions.

¹ Refer to the burndown section of this guide for suggestions on managing cool-season weeds.

² Dual is manufactured by Syngenta Crop Protection, has been extensively used in corn production and has the common name metolachlor. When metolachlor is manufactured, it contains a 1:1 ratio of two metolachlor isomers; the –R and the –S isomer. The –S isomer has greater herbicidal activity than the –R isomer, which allows for a reduction in the amount of –S isomer herbicide needed to obtain similar weed control compared to the –R isomer herbicide. To differentiate between metolachlor herbicides containing the –R or –S isomer consult the label under the “active ingredients” section. The –R isomer is denoted by metolachlor while the –S isomer is denoted by acetamide –(s). Alternatively, according to the Syngenta Crop Protection labels, if the trade names Bicep or Dual include the word “Magnum” (Dual Magnum, Dual II Magnum, Bicep II Lite Magnum), the –S isomer is an active ingredient. If the trade name does not include “Magnum”, the metolachlor –R:-S isomer ratio is 1:1 (Dual II, Bicep II, Bicep Lite II).