2024 Layby Herbicide Control Options



Post-emergence control options (POST to sugarbeet and weeds) for glyphosate resistant waterhemp in sugarbeet are limited and becoming less effective. Therefore, a layby application approach with chloroacetamide herbicides such as Outlook, Warrant, or S-metolachlor products (Dual Magnum and labeled generics) are necessary to continue to provide a barrier against waterhemp emergence. Which option you choose should be based upon timing, likelihood of rainfall and finally if you used a PRE or PPI soil applied herbicide at planting. All layby herbicides need to be applied after the first 2 true leaves have emerged and the stand has been established. As with any weed control strategy, timing of application is more important than what herbicide you choose to use. If you do not use a PRE/PPI herbicide, we recommend applying a layby herbicide as soon as the sugarbeet stand is established to increase rainfall chances for herbicide activation and prevent waterhemp emergence. Please consult your Agriculturalist for further information and Always Follow Label Directions.

<u>Layby Herbicide</u>: Soil applied herbicide that is applied after the crop stand has been established (after 2 true leaf stage in sugarbeet). All layby applications need rainfall to activate the herbicide.

Herbicide	Rate	Crop Injury Risk	Notes
Outlook or generic dimethenamid	Single - 18oz application Split application 12 oz fb 12oz	Higher for single app	 Good waterhemp control Good lambsquarters control No kochia control Cannot replant to sugarbeet Shortest residual control length of any layby Injury greater on small beets and coarse soil types Very little moisture needed for activation ≈ ¼" 60-day PHI 2-8 leaf
Dual Magnum or generic S-metolachlor	Single – 1.3pt/A coarse texture soil or up to 1.6pt/A fine texture soil Split application 1 – 1.3 pt/A fb 1 – 1.3 pt/A	Higher for single app Low for Split	Do not use over 1 pt/a in complex tank mixes Good waterhemp control Fair lambsquarters control Poor kochia control Can replant to sugarbeet Moderate residual activity length Only use S-metolachlor formulations Needs ½" rainfall to activate 60-day PHI
<u>Warrant</u> or generic <u>acetochlor</u>	Single 1.5-2 quarts/A Split 2.5pint-3pint fb 2.5pint - 3pint/A	Higher for single app Low for Split	Good waterhemp control Fair lambsquarters control Poor Kochia control Cannot replant to sugarbeet Longest residual of any of the layby options Needs minimum of ¾" of rainfall to activate 70-day PHI

Additional Notes for all Layby Herbicides

- Must be applied to soil with good coverage to work properly
- Should be applied with 15 gallons of water and medium to course nozzles if sprayed alone
- Use at least 10 gallons of water if tank mixing layby with only glyphosate and AMS
- Use at least 12 gallons of water if tank mixing layby with glyphosate, AMS, and another broadleaf herbicide like Stinger, Betamix, ethofumesate, Upbeet, or an HSMOC surfactant
- PRE or PPI ethofumesate application alone is not a season long Waterhemp control strategy. Use split
 application rates of layby herbicides where you applied ethofumesate pre-emergence to prevent injury.
- Application with temperatures over 85°F are more likely to cause injury