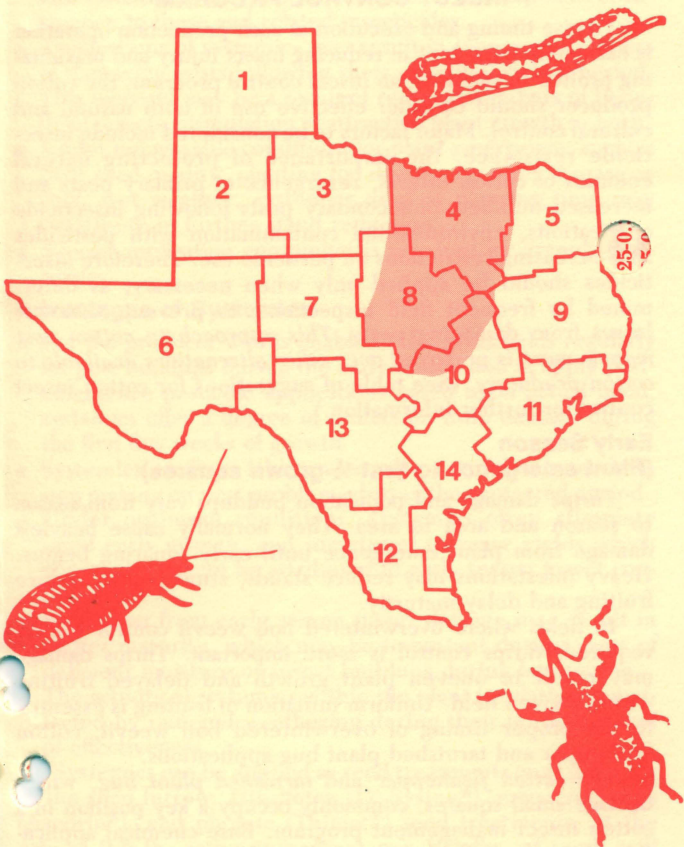


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MANAGEMENT of Cotton Insects in the Texas Blacklands



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Suggestions in this publication are based on results continuing research conducted throughout the state by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and the Agricultural Research Service, S.E.A. Research results from other cotton producing states for some of the minor cotton pests have been evaluated carefully and utilized in developing the suggestions. A committee of state and federal research personnel and specialists of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service meets annually to review research results and to develop suggestions for the safest, most profitable, insect control practices for Texas producers.

At least 12 insect and mite species attacking Texas cotton show some resistance to once-effective chemicals. Evidence indicates that the more extensively a material is used, the more rapidly resistance develops. Therefore, use of insecticides should be restricted to actual need, based on field inspections.

For more information on identification of major cotton insects, their life history and the kind of damage they cause, see *Cotton Insects* (B-933, Texas Agricultural Extension Service).

INSECT CONTROL PROGRAM

Precise timing and execution of each production operation is extremely important in reducing insect injury and maximizing profits. In planning an insect control program, the cotton producer should consider effective use of both natural and cultural control. Major factors to be considered include insecticide resistance, the importance of protecting natural enemies of cotton insects, resurgence of primary pests and increased numbers of secondary pests following insecticide applications, environmental contamination with pesticides and increasing restrictions on pesticide use. Therefore insecticides should be applied only when necessary, as determined by frequent field inspections, to prevent economic losses from damaging pests. *This approach to cotton pest management is preferred over other alternatives available to cotton producers.* (See table of suggestions for cotton insect control for further information.)

Early Season

(Plant emergence to first 1/3-grown squares)

Thrips damage and population buildups vary from season to season and area to area. They normally cause heaviest damage from plant emergence until early squaring begins. Heavy infestations may reduce stands, stunt plants, reduce fruiting and delay maturity.

In fields where overwintered boll weevil control will be required, thrips control is more important. Thrips damage may result in uneven plant growth and delayed fruiting within a given field. Uniform initiation of fruiting is essential to the proper timing of overwintered boll weevil, cotton fleahopper and tarnished plant bug applications.

The *cotton fleahopper* and *tarnished plant bug*, which damage small squares, commonly occupy a key position in a cotton insect management program. Base chemical applications not only on fleahopper numbers but also on fruiting rate and excessive small-square loss. Potential for plant bug damage is greatest during the first 3 weeks of squaring. Carefully evaluate the decision to apply insecticides because treatments may create conditions favorable for outbreaks of bollworm-tobacco budworm by destroying beneficial insects. Tarnished plant bugs can damage larger squares and small bolls.

Systemic Insecticides for Early Season Pests

In certain areas where early season pests such as thrips, aphids, spider mites and leaf miners consistently damage young cotton each year, preventive systemic insecticide applications are sometimes used as early season control alternatives to the preferred pest management system discussed above. In choosing either approach to early season control, key factors to consider include acreage, yield potential, available equipment and labor, knowledge of cotton pests and beneficial species, difficulties in getting a stand, drought tendencies, etc. Limitations and advantages of systemics used at planting should be evaluated carefully before choosing their use over post-emergence control based upon actual need.

Limitations of Systemics

- The decision to invest in systemics must be made before the severity of the early season pest problem can be known; therefore, the net economic return is uncertain.
- If replanting is necessary, the initial systemic treatment is lost, and a new treatment at additional expense is required.
- Continued pest exposure to and population selection by certain systemics may result in accelerated development of resistance to these and related insecticides.
- Applications of systemics may result in increased numbers of damaging pests following their effective control period. This increase may be a result of reduced numbers of beneficial insects, stimulation of attractive plant growth or both.
- Under unfavorable conditions for plant emergence, such as poor seed quality, planting too deeply, seedling disease or cool, wet weather, systemics used at planting time may contribute to further stand reduction.
- Special application equipment is required for granular systemics.

Advantages of Systemics

- For the producer who is unable to check his fields regularly for pest buildups during the early season and to apply post-emergence pesticide applications based upon actual need, systemics offer a degree of protection from damage during the first few weeks of growth.
- Systemics use frees labor and equipment and reduces decision making on pest problems during the protected period.
- Under optimum conditions, systemics often stimulate rapid early growth, and sometimes increase yields which apparently cannot be attributed to early season insect control alone.
- Protection from early season insect damage may result in earlier maturity, which may be important during years of deficient moisture or insect buildups during late season. The activity of systemics within the plant is relatively unaffected by rain and weathering during their normal period of effectiveness.

Systemics can be applied as seed treatments or as granules in the seed furrow. Disulfoton (Di-Syston[®]), monocrotophos (Azodrin[®]), and phorate (Thimet[®]) seed treatments, at the rate of 0.5 lb. active ingredient per 100 lbs. of seed, will effectively control thrips, aphids, spider mites and leaf miners for 2 to 3 weeks following planting. Disulfoton, phorate and aldicarb (Temik[®]) granules applied in the seed furrow at 0.5 to 1.0 lb. active ingredient per acre will control these same pests for 4 to 8 weeks following planting. Aldicarb applied at the 1.0 lb. a.i. rate will also control fleahoppers for up to 8 weeks after planting; however, this rate sometimes

results in greater numbers of bollworms and tobacco budworms later in the season. Overwintered boll weevils moving into fields treated with 1.0 lb. a.i. of aldicarb within 4 to 5 weeks after planting will be killed, but significant control may not occur because overwintered weevils may continue entering treated fields later in the season.

Midseason and Late Season

Midseason is the 6-week fruiting period following the appearance of first $\frac{1}{3}$ -grown squares. The major concern during this period is insuring adequate fruit set. Proper crop management and frequent field inspection often can prevent premature insecticide applications during this period.

Late season is the remainder of the production season when the major concern is boll protection. In fields where insecticide applications were initiated during the midseason or late-season periods, boll protection should be a primary concern as long as immature bolls are present which can be expected to mature before the average frost date for the area or before crop termination through the use of desiccants or defoliants.

Since cotton grown under irrigation or on high-yielding land is subject to insect damage later in the season than dry-land production, any management practice which prolongs plant growth (particularly late irrigation and excessive nitrogen use) should be avoided during the late season.

Bollworms, tobacco budworms, pink bollworms and boll weevils are the principal insects involved in the late season control program. Apply insecticides when infestation counts and crop damage indicate the need. *Insecticides may be required at application intervals of not more than 5 days for effective control of the boll weevil, bollworm, tobacco budworm and pink bollworm.*

Once insecticidal applications begin, inspect fields frequently and repeat applications until the pest population has been reduced below economic levels. Late season insect control measures are designed to protect fruit previously set.

For additional information on the pink bollworm, see *Ways to Fight the Pink Bollworm in Texas* (L-219, Texas Agricultural Extension Service).

EARLY STALK DESTRUCTION AND FARM CLEANUP

Early harvest, stalk destruction and plowing under debris immediately after harvest are important cultural practices in reducing boll weevil, pink bollworm, bollworm and tobacco budworm populations. Pay particular attention to the destruction of green or cracked bolls and other plant debris left at the ends of rows following stripper harvest. Do not allow stubble regrowth or development of volunteer seedlings.

These practices force a portion of the boll weevil population into starvation before time to enter winter quarters, prevent late-season buildup of weevils, pink bollworms, bollworms and tobacco budworms and reduce the number surviving the winter. The addition of 0.5 lb. methyl parathion or 0.25 lb. azinphosmethyl (Guthion®) to arsenic acid or phosphate-type defoliants has proved effective in reducing potential overwintering boll weevil populations. See "Guidelines for Areawide Fall Boll Weevil Control Programs," available from your county Extension agent. *Do not add methyl parathion or azinphosmethyl to chlorate-type defoliants.* See *Cotton Defoliation Guide for Texas* (L-145, Texas Agricultural Extension Service) for a list of chlorate-type defoliants. *Growers and applicators are cautioned to use combi-*

ations of phosphate-type defoliants (Folex® and Def®) ...d phosphate insecticides with extreme care. These combinations may pose a greater toxicity hazard than either of the compounds used alone.

BENEFICIAL INSECTS

Natural populations of beneficial insects often can effectively control cotton pests such as the bollworm, tobacco budworm, cotton aphid and spider mite. However, use of released beneficial insects in cotton fields has not proved practical. Because most insecticides are highly injurious to the populations of beneficial insects, applications should be avoided unless frequent field inspections reveal economically damaging levels of injurious insects.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

In the late-season program, dusts and sprays are equally effective when applied properly. Where chemicals are applied, thorough plant coverage is required to achieve control. If showers occur within 24 hours following an application, fields should be checked to determine possible need for repeating the applications. When infestations are heavy, increase dosages to maximum recommended.

For detailed information on using sprays and spray machinery, see *Insecticidal Spraying of Field Crops With Ground Machinery* (L-486, Texas Agricultural Extension Service), and *Pesticide Application Ground Equipment Calibration Guide* (L-764, Texas Agricultural Extension Service).

Dusts should be applied when the air is calm, but the presence of dew is not necessary. Place dust nozzles on ground machines 4 to 6 in. above plants. Dusts and wettable powders are washed off by light showers more easily than sprays.

Ground machines and airplanes are equally effective in insecticide application. For best results with airplanes, stagger swaths so that they overlap.

Result demonstration work has indicated late planted cotton in the Texas Blacklands offers little potential for profit. Late planted cotton is vulnerable to late season insect pest populations that often inflict devastating damage unless several insecticide applications are made. The increased production of communitywide boll weevil populations in late planted cotton add to the following year's insect problem. Several alternate crops offer much more potential for profits than late planted cotton in this production region.

PRECAUTIONS

All insecticides are poisonous. *Follow carefully all precautions on the label.* Take special precautions when handling aldicarb (Temik®), azinphosmethyl (Guthion®), monocrotophos (Azodrin®), dicrotophos (Bidrin®), demeton, disulfoton (Dibiston®), methyl parathion, parathion, methomyl (Lannate®), and phorate (Thimet®). Avoid skin contact. Do not breathe vapors or drift from sprays or dusts.

Workers re-entering treated fields should observe specific waiting periods. Refer to "Worker Re-entry Intervals" on page 10.

Do not graze livestock in cotton fields or feed gin trash treated with insecticides, except those with no label restrictions.

Prevent drift from contaminating neighboring crops such as fruits, vegetables and animal feeds. Continued excessive use of persistent insecticides results in soil residues which jeopardize the use of fields for growing certain forage, vegetable or root crops.

Insects	Insecticides (listed alphabetically)	Pounds per acre of actual insecticide(s)	Remarks
Cutworms	A. Toxaphene + methyl parathion ^{1,2} Baits	2.0+1.0	May cause damage during seedling stage. Keep fields as weed-free as possible 3 weeks before planting to minimize cutworm problems. Plow under cover crops at least 3 weeks before planting. Insecticide sprays or baits are recommended for application over the drill.
	A. Carbaryl (Sevin®) (5% bait) ⁵	1.5 (30 lb. bait/acre)	
	B. Trichlorfon (Dylox®) (5% bait) ⁷	1.5 (30 lb. bait/acre)	
(See below for control of beet armyworm and yellow-striped armyworm.)			
Garden webworm	A. Methyl parathion ²	0.25-0.5	Can be a problem on seedling to 6-leaf stage. Apply treatment as needed.
Thrips	A. Azinphosmethyl (Guthion®) ³	0.125	Inspect cotton as soon as it emerges to a stand. If thrips are present and leaf buds between the cotyledons are curled, treat at once. Base additional applications on 4-leaf or older cotton on the extent of plant damage. Silvering of the lower leaf surface is commonly observed, followed by wilted, deformed and bronzed or blackened leaves.
	B. Carbaryl (Sevin®) ⁵	0.5	
	C. Dicrotophos (Bidrin®) ⁴	0.05-0.1	
	D. Dimethoate (Cygon®, De-Fend®, or Revelate®) ⁶	0.125-0.250	
	E. Methyl parathion ²	0.25	
	F. Toxaphene ¹	0.75-1.0	
Cotton flea hopper	A. Carbaryl (Sevin®) ⁵	0.5-1.0	Base all treatments on 15-25% damaged pinhead-size squares as well as numbers of fleahoppers. During the first 3 weeks of squaring, 15 to 25 cotton fleahoppers (nymphs and adults) per 100 terminals may cause damage. As plants increase in size and fruit load, larger populations may be tolerated without yield reduction. Insecticides applied early in the blooming period may result in outbreaks of bollworm and tobacco budworm due to the destruction of beneficial insects. Use suggested higher application rates only when infestations are severe.
	B. Dicrotophos (Bidrin®) ⁴	0.05-0.1	
	C. Dimethoate (Cygon®, De-Fend®, or Revelate®) ⁶	0.125-0.250	
	D. Methyl parathion ²	0.1	
	E. Trichlorfon (Dylox®) ⁷	0.25-0.5	

to a pH of 7.0 or below and applied immediately.

Lygus bugs

A. Carbaryl (Sevin®) ⁵	1.25-2.50
B. Dimethoate (Cygon®, De-Fend®, or Revelate®) ⁶	0.25-0.50
C. Methyl parathion ²	0.5
D. Parathion ²	0.5
E. Trichlorfon (Dylox®) ⁷	1.0-1.5
F. Dicrotophos (Bidrin®)	0.1-0.2

Lygus bugs are attracted to succulent growth where their feeding causes shedding of squares and young bolls, stunted growth and deformed bolls. During the first week of squaring, begin treatment when 10 lygus are found per 50 sweeps of a 15- to 16-inch net. Make sweeps at several locations in the field by *sweeping across the top of one row only* in such a way that the top 10 in. of the plants are struck. After the early fruiting period, begin treatment when lygus counts exceed 20 to 30 per 50 sweeps. These populations can be tolerated without causing yield or quality loss *provided the plants have retained squares and set bolls normally during the first 4 to 5 weeks of fruiting*. When using Trichlorfon (Dylox®), spray solutions should be buffered to a pH of 7.0 or below and applied immediately.

Overwintered boll weevil

A. Azinphosmethyl (Guthion®) ³ (EC or ULV)	0.125-0.25
B. Carbaryl (Sevin®) ⁵	1.25-1.5
C. Malathion (ULV only) ⁸	8-12 fluid oz.
D. Methyl parathion ²	0.25-0.5
E. Toxaphene + methyl parathion ^{1,2}	1.0+0.25

Where weevils are found, apply at "matchhead" (1/8-inch diameter) square stage to prevent egg laying. *Do not apply this application within 10 days of bloom*. Base additional treatment on economic damage levels shown under "boll weevils" below. These insecticides also control cotton fleahoppers.

Cotton aphid

A. Demeton (Systox®) ⁹	0.125-0.25
B. Dicrotophos (Bidrin®) ⁴	0.1
C. Dimethoate (Cygon®, De-Fend®, or Revelate®) ⁶	0.25-0.50
D. Methyl parathion ²	0.25-0.375
E. Parathion ²	0.25-0.375

Generally beneficial insects will effectively hold cotton aphid populations below damaging levels. Therefore, give careful consideration before beginning applications.

Insects	Insecticides (listed alphabetically)	Pounds per acre of actual insecticide(s)	Remarks
Bollworm Tobacco budworm	<p>A. Acephate (Orthene®)¹³</p> <p>B. Carbaryl (Sevin®)⁵</p> <p>C. Methyl parathion²</p> <p>D. Monocrotophos (Azodrin®)¹²</p> <p>E. Toxaphene+ methyl parathion^{1,2}</p> <p>F. Methomyl¹⁶ (Lannate®, Nudrin®)</p> <p>G. EPN¹⁷ + methyl parathion (3-3)</p> <p>H. <i>Bacillus thuringiensis</i> (Dipel®, Thuricide®)*</p> <p>I. Nuclear Polyhedrosis Virus (Elcar®)*</p>	<p>1.0</p> <p>2.0</p> <p>1.25-2.0</p> <p>0.8-1.0</p> <p>0.5+1.0 to 0.5+1.5</p> <p>0.5-0.675</p> <p>0.5-1.0+0.5-1.0</p> <p>0.5-1.0</p> <p>0.125-0.25</p>	<p>FIELD INSPECTION PRIOR TO INITIAL CHEMICAL APPLICATION: Check fields at least twice weekly. Examine 100 green squares (½-grown or larger) at random throughout the field for worm damage. Blackland cotton producers must evaluate beneficial insect activity and consider yield potential before deciding to apply treatment. Initiate insecticide applications when economic levels are reached.</p> <p>FIELD INSPECTION AFTER INITIATION OF INSECTICIDE APPLICATIONS: Check fields closely 2 to 3 days following each application. Where control has not been obtained, repeat application immediately. Apply insecticide at intervals as determined by infestations.</p> <p><i>Method A:</i> Examine the terminal buds of cotton plants and a total of 100 green squares and small bolls taken from several points in the field. Repeat treatment when bollworm eggs and four to five young worms are found per 100 terminals and 5 percent of the squares and small bolls have been injured by small bollworms.</p> <p><i>Method B.</i> Make a whole plant examination (terminals, squares, flowers and bolls) of all plants on 10 feet of row in at least five locations in the field. When counts average two or more larvae per 10 feet of row or exceed 10 in 50 feet, repeat treatment.</p> <p><i>Carbaryl (Sevin®) is not labeled for tobacco budworm control. Methomyl (Lannate®, Nudrin®) may redden cotton if excessive, or alternate with other insecticides.</i></p>
	<p>*Dipel®, Thuricide® and Elcar® are selective microbial insecticides labeled for bollworm and tobacco budworm control. They are most effective when moderate-to-heavy beneficials are present and light-to-moderate worm pressure exists. They do not reduce beneficial insect populations directly. The effects of these materials are minimized under low beneficial populations and heavy worm pressure. Extremely close monitoring of fields is necessary when using these products.</p>		

Under most conditions, avoid picking cotton for early bollworm infestations until after blooms are observed in the field. WHERE HIGH RESISTANCE LEVELS OCCUR, EFFECTIVE CHEMICAL CONTROLS ARE NOT AVAILABLE.

Boll weevil*	A. Azinphosmethyl (Guthion®) ³ (EC or ULV)	0.25	FIELD INSPECTION — Examine cotton weekly. Examine 100 squares, at least 1/3-grown, at random, taking a few squares at several representative places in the field and from various locations on the plant. From the time of squaring up to peak bloom, begin treatment when 15 to 25 percent of the green squares have weevil punctures. Apply insecticides at 5-day intervals. Under extremely heavy build-ups, it may be necessary to shorten the interval to 3 days. As the boll load increases, higher square damage can be tolerated. However, additional applications may be necessary to protect smaller bolls. <i>Malathion</i> — 16 oz. restricted use in fall diapause application only.
	B. Carbaryl (Sevin®) ⁵	1.6-2.0	
	C. Malathion (ULV only) ⁸	12-16 fluid oz.	
	D. Methyl parathion ²	0.375-1.0	
	E. Toxaphene + methyl parathion ^{1,2}	0.5+0.25 to 0.5+0.5	
*Refer to overwintered boll weevil control section above before 1/3-grown square stage.			
Beet armyworm	A. Methyl parathion ²	1.0-1.5	Examine cotton for presence of these pests. Apply treatment as needed. Insecticides are most effective if applied when worms are small.
Yellow-striped armyworm	B. Monocrotophos (Azodrin®) ¹²	0.5-0.75	
Spider mites	A. Carbophenothion (Trithion®) ¹⁰	0.375-0.75	Treat when mites begin to cause noticeable leaf damage. Two applications at 5-day intervals may be necessary with all materials except demeton. Spot treatment of fields is encouraged when population distribution is restricted. In certain locations some mite species are highly resistant to miticides and are difficult to control with available materials. Use 0.6 to 1.0 lb. of Azodrin® for control of resistant carmine mite.
	B. Demeton (Systox®) ⁹	0.25	
	C. Ethion ¹¹	0.375-0.75	
	D. Dicofol (Kelthane®) ¹⁴	1.0-2.0	
	E. Methyl parathion ²	0.25-0.375	
	F. Monocrotophos (Azodrin®) ¹²	0.25-1.0	
	G. Parathion ²	0.25	

Insects	Insecticides (listed alphabetically)	Pounds per acre of actual insecticide(s)	Remarks
Cabbage looper Soybean looper	A. Monocrotophos (Azodrin®) ¹²	1.0	Cabbage looper infestations usually are reduced or eliminated by disease agents before excessive leaf damage occurs. If Azodrin® is used, several applications may be necessary for effective control.
Grasshoppers	A. Carbaryl (Sevin®) ⁵ B. Malathion (ULV only) ⁸ C. Toxaphene ¹	1.5 8 fluid oz. 1.5-3.0	Apply insecticides when damaging infestations appear.

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WORKER RE-ENTRY INTERVALS

AZINPHOSMETHYL — workers should not enter fields within 24 hours after application.

CARBOPHENOTHION — workers should not enter fields within 48 hours after application.

DEMETON — workers should not enter fields within 48 hours after application.

ETHION — workers entering fields within 24 hours after application should wear protective clothing.

METHYL PARATHION and PARATHION — workers should not enter fields within 48 hours after application.

MONOCROTOPHOS — workers should not enter fields within 48 hours after application.

For other re-entry intervals refer to pesticide labels.

*Only selected restrictions are listed here, principally those relating to waiting periods between application and harvest or field re-entry and grazing or feeding limitations. Every applicator should carefully review the label for additional restrictions prior to each use.



SELECTED INSECTICIDE USE RESTRICTIONS*

- ¹TOXAPHENE — do not graze treated cotton or feed gin waste to dairy animals or animals being finished for slaughter.
- ²METHYL PARATHION and PARATHION — do not handpick or harvest within 7 days of application.
- ³AZINPHOSMETHYL — do not apply EC within 1 day of picking or ULV within 2 days of handpicking. Cotton may be machine harvested any time after application of ULV. Where ULV or late season EC applications are made, do not graze livestock on treated areas or feed gin waste.
- ⁴DICROTOPHOS — do not apply within 30 days of harvest. Do not graze livestock on treated fields or feed treated gin trash.
- ⁵CARBARYL — no time limitations. Problems may be encountered in spraying wettable powder with low-volume farm sprayers. Follow manufacturer's directions carefully.
- ⁶DIMETHOATE — do not apply within 14 days of harvest. Repeat applications should not be made at intervals closer than 14 days. Do not feed treated forage or graze livestock on treated fields.
- ⁷TRICHLORFON — do not apply within 7 days of picking. Do not graze livestock in treated fields within 14 days of application.
- ⁸MALATHION ULV — no time limitations.
- ⁹DEMETON — do not apply within 21 days of harvest. Do not graze livestock on treated fields. Do not feed gin waste to livestock.
- ¹⁰CARBOPHENOTHION — do not graze dairy or meat animals in treated fields.
- ¹¹ETHION — do not apply after bolls open. Do not graze dairy or meat animals in treated fields.
- ¹²MONOCROTOPHOS — do not apply within 21 days of harvest. Do not apply more frequently than every 5 days. Do not graze livestock on treated fields or feed gin waste to livestock.
- ¹³ACEPHATE — do not apply within 21 days of harvest. Do not feed gin trash to livestock or allow animals to graze on treated areas.
- ¹⁴DICOFOL — do not apply within 14 days of harvest.
- ¹⁵BT or NPV — must be used in a pest management situation. Will provide acceptable control only when beneficial arthropods are present in sufficient numbers to supplement its insecticidal activity. Timing of applications is extremely critical. These materials are very sensitive to high temperatures and sunlight and should be applied in late afternoon for best results.
- ¹⁶METHOMYL — do not apply within 15 days of harvest. Do not graze or feed livestock.
- ¹⁷EPN — do not harvest cotton within 7 days of application. Do not graze or feed livestock.

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Conversion Table — Pounds of actual insecticide in different quantities of spray concentrate*

Insecticide	Gal.	2 Qt.	1 Qt.	1 Pt.	
Azinphosmethyl (Guthion® or Gusathion®)	2.0	1.0	0.5	0.25	
Carbophenothion (Trithion®)	4.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	
Demeton (Systox®)	2.0	1.0	0.5	0.25	
Dicrotophos (Bidrin®)	8.0	4.0	2.0	1.0	
Dimethoate					
Cygon®	4.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	
De-Fend®	2.67	1.33	0.67	0.33	
Revelate®	2.67	1.33	0.67	0.33	
Ethion	4.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	
Methyl parathion	4.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	
Methomyl (Lannate®, Nudrin®)	1.8	0.9	0.45	0.225	
Monocrotophos (Azodrin®)	5.0	2.5	1.25	0.625	
Parathion	2.0	1.0	0.5	0.25	
Toxaphene	6.0	3.0	1.5	0.75	
Trichlorfon (Dylox®)	4.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	
	Pounds actual acephate (Orthene®), carbaryl (Sevin®) or trichlorfon (Dylox®) per acre.				
Pounds of acephate (Orthene®), carbaryl (Sevin®) or trichlorfon (Dylox®) required:	3.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	0.25
75% wettable or soluble powder	—	—	1.33	0.66	0.33
80% wettable or soluble powder	3.75	2.5	1.25	0.625	0.312
50% wettable or soluble powder	6.0	4.0	2.0	1.0	0.5

*Certain formulations may differ in the amount of actual insecticide per gallon. Refer to the manufacturer's labels for specific concentrations, and adjust spray mixtures accordingly.

Follow recommended procedures in disposing of "empty" pesticide containers and discarding unneeded pesticides. See *Disposal — Pesticides and Pesticide Containers* (L-1008, Texas Agricultural Extension Service) for recommended procedures.

Most insecticides are destructive to honeybees. Since bees help pollinate many agricultural crops, make every effort to prevent their destruction.

POLICY FOR MAKING INSECT CONTROL SUGGESTIONS

Suggestions on use of pesticides made by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station are based upon:

- Effectiveness under Texas conditions
- Avoidance of residues in excess of allowable tolerances
- Avoidance of toxicity to humans, animals and desirable vegetation
- Avoidance of adverse side effects upon beneficial predators, parasites, honeybees, fish and other wildlife, plants, animals and humans.

Suggested pesticides must be registered and labeled for use by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Texas Department of Agriculture. The status of pesticide label clearances is subject to change, and may have changed since this publication was printed. County Extension staff and appropriate specialists are advised of changes as they occur.

The USER is always responsible for the effects of pesticide residues on his livestock and crops, as well as problems that could arise from drift or movement of the pesticide from his property to that of others. *Always read and follow carefully instructions on the container label.*

For further information, contact your county Extension staff, area Extension entomologist at Stephenville (817/968-4144) or Dallas (214/231-5362) or:

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