

BERMUDAGRASS ATHLETIC FIELDS AND GOLF COURSES (EXCEPT GREENS) - CONTROL OF GOOSEGRASS ON BERMUDAGRASS

General Information

USE INFORMATION

Tenacity is a systemic preemergence and postemergence herbicide for the selective contact and residual control of weeds in turfgrasses. When applied preemergence, weeds absorb Tenacity during emergence from the soil. Dry conditions following application may reduce the preemergence activity. If rainfall (0.15 inches) has not occurred within 10 days after a preemergence application, activate with 0.15 inches of irrigation. When used postemergence, susceptible weeds absorb Tenacity through foliar contact and soil absorption. Foliage of treated weeds cease growth after application, then turn white (loss of chlorophyll) and death may take up to three weeks. A repeat application is required after two to three weeks for improved postemergence weed control. A non-ionic surfactant should be added in postemergence applications.

Tenacity may cause temporary whitening of turfgrass foliage. In general, symptoms appear five to seven days after application and last for several weeks. A repeat application to the same site causes less whitening of the plant tissue.

Tenacity is an effective herbicide for weed control prior to or during seeding of certain turfgrasses during turf renovation (see section on use in New Seedings). If used preemergence in established turf, tank mixtures with preemergence herbicides such as Barricade 65WG Herbicide are recommended for longer residual and broad spectrum weed control.

USE PRECAUTIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

- Do not apply more than 16 oz. of Tenacity per acre per year or per crop (equivalent to a maximum of 0.50 lb. of mesotrione per acre per year), whichever is shorter.
- Do not plant any crop other than turfgrass species for 18 months after the last application of Tenacity or injury may occur.

- Do not apply an organophosphate or carbamate insecticide within seven days of a Tenacity application as turf injury may occur.
- Do not apply through any type of irrigation system.
- Do not use aerial application to apply Tenacity.
- Do not use grass clippings from treated turf as mulch around trees or in vegetable/flower gardens.
- Residential Lawn Applications: Unless renovating and/or re-seeding the home lawn, avoid broadcast applications of Tenacity for pre and post-emergence weed control because undesirable whitening of some turfgrasses may occur.
- Tenacity has been tested in tank mixtures with Barricade 65WG Herbicide (prodiamine), Vanquish (dicamba), Turflon ester (triclopyr), Spotlight (fluroxypyr), Quicksilver (carfentrazone), Basagran (bentazon), Princep (simazine), and AAtrex (atrazine) for safety and efficacy on turfgrasses. Tenacity must be applied at reduced rates (4 fl. oz./A or less) if tank mixed with atrazine, bentazon or simazine. Other tank mixture partners may be safe but have not been tested. Turf managers wanting to tank mix Tenacity with other herbicides should test on a small basis for compatibility, safety and efficacy before treating large areas. See product labels for directions and precautions.
- Bentgrass, Poa annua, kikuyugrass, zoysiagrass, seashore paspalum and bermudagrass are sensitive to Tenacity applications. Avoid spraying these turf types unless control and/or injury can be tolerated. Maintain a five foot buffer between treated areas and bentgrass or Poa annua greens.
- Clean sprayer thoroughly after an application of Tenacity if same equipment is used to apply products to bentgrass and bentgrass/Poa annua turf areas.
- To reduce movement into sensitive species such as bentgrass, keep people and pets off treated areas until spray has dried and irrigate lightly to move product from turf foliage before resuming normal irrigation.
- Avoid over-spray or drift of spray applications onto ornamentals or flower beds and gardens. Roses and daylilies are sensitive plant species.
- Avoid applications over the top of exposed roots of trees and ornamentals.

USE SITES

Tenacity may be used for weed control in turfgrass species listed on the label in commercial and residential sites. Use sites include non-crop areas: golf courses, sod farms, athletic fields, parks, residential and commercial properties, cemeteries, airports, and lawns. Do not use on golf course putting greens and maintain a five

foot buffer between treated areas and putting greens.

RESISTANCE MANAGEMENT

Tenacity is a Group 27 Herbicide (active ingredient is mesotrione, a HPPD inhibitor).

There is no known resistance to Tenacity and no known instances of cross-resistance between mesotrione (HPPD inhibitor – Group 27) and other classes of herbicides. To help prevent the development of resistance, do not apply less than the label recommendations and rotate to a herbicide with a different mode of action if the maximum number of applications or rate of product has been met or weeds are not being controlled.

Limitations, Restrictions, and Exceptions

CONTROL OF GOOSEGRASS ON BERMUDAGRASS ATHLETIC FIELDS AND GOLF COURSES (EXCEPT GREENS)

For control of goosegrass on bermudagrass athletic fields and golf courses (except greens), apply Tenacity (5 to 8 fl oz/A) + Princep Liquid (15 to 25 fl oz/A) followed two weeks later by Tenacity (5 to 8 fl oz/A) + Princep Liquid (15 to 25 fl oz/A) + Pennant Magnum (20.8 fl oz/A). Application may be applied during spring, mid-summer or early fall. Higher rates are recommended on larger weeds or heavy infestation. Apply mixtures in 40 to 60 gallons of water per 1,000 sq ft with flat-fan nozzles producing medium to coarse droplets. Add a non-ionic surfactant at 0.25% v/v of final spray solution.

These treatments induce mild to moderate phytotoxicity in 'Tifway 419' hybrid bermudagrass. Full recovery typically occurs within 7 to 14 days after application, but the severity and recovery time vary based on turf conditions and environmental factors.

Certain common bermudagrass varieties (such as, but not limited to, Sahara, Vamont, Yukon, and Mohawk) and zoysiagrasses are very sensitive to the mixture of Tenacity + Princep. Before applying on a large scale, test the mixture in an inconspicuous location to determine the level of turf safety in your location. The safety of this mixture has not been tested on seashore paspalum or bermudagrass varieties other than those listed above.

Restrictions:

- Do not apply to golf course greens.
- Follow the most restrictive Use Precautions and Restrictions on the Tenacity, Princep Liquid, and Pennant Magnum labels when tank-mixing these products.

Method

[Coarse spray](#)

Rates

[field rates 0](#)

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Restricted Entry Interval

12 hours

Exception: If the product is soil-injected or soil-incorporated, the Worker Protection Standard, under certain circumstances, allows workers to enter the treated area if there will be no contact with anything that has been treated.

Timings

[During spring, mid-summer or early fall.](#)