

INSECTICIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CORN – 2012

ENT-16

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This publication was prepared as a guide for use in the selection of agricultural insecticides. It is not as inclusive as the manufacturer's label. Products listed in bold italics are *Restricted Use* pesticides. **Read and understand the label** before purchasing and using any insecticide. Information on corn insects and their management is available at your county extension office. Several formulations of carbaryl (Sevin) are registered for use on corn. Only Sevin 80 S is listed, however, Sevin XLR Plus, or Sevin 4F may be used, if appropriate.

Seed treatments are recommended for fields that do not receive a soil insecticide at planting time. Several commercially applied seed treatments may be ordered on the seed to protect against wireworms, seed corn maggot, and other pests. These include Poncho (clothianidin), and Cruiser (thiamethoxam). Seedcorn maggots can be damaging to fields planted early, especially under reduced tillage practices.

Treatments for Seed Corn Maggots

	Contents	Use Rate
Concur	imidacloprid, metalaxyl	1.5 oz / 42 lbs
Kernel Guard Supreme	vitavax, permethrin	1.5 oz/42 lbs
Latitude	imidacloprid, carboxin, metalaxyl	1.5 oz / 42 lbs

Pretreatments for Corn Seed (Ordered on the seed)

Commercially Applied Pretreatment	Contents	Target Pests*
Cruiser Extreme Pak	thiamethoxam (0.25 mg/ker.)	WW, SCM, FB, WG
Cruiser Extreme Pak CRW	thiamethoxam (1.25 mg/ker.)	WW, SCM, FB, WG, CRW
Poncho 250	clothianidin (0.25 mg/ker.)	CW, WW, SCM, WG, FB
Poncho 500	clothianidin (0.50 mg/ker.)	CW, WW, SCM, WG, FB
Poncho 1250	clothianidin (1.25 mg/ker.)	CW, WW, SCM, WG, FB, CRW

* CLA= corn leaf aphid, CRW= corn rootworm, CW= cutworm, FB= flea beetle, GC= grape colaspis, SCM= seedcorn maggot, WG= white grub, WW = wireworm.

Corn Rootworm

These are potential pests in fields where corn is grown year after year. If densities of adult western and/or northern corn rootworm beetles exceeded an average of one per plant at any time from July through August and the field is to be planted to corn the following year, an "at-planting" soil insecticide is advisable. See **ENT-45**, Corn Rootworm Beetles, for more information.

Pounds of granular insecticide needed per acre

% active ingredient	Row width					
	30"	32"	34"	36"	38"	40"
1.5	80.7	8.2	7.7	7.3	6.9	6.5
15	8.7	8.2	7.7	7.3	6.9	6.5
20	6.5	6.1	5.8	5.4	5.2	4.9

Rootworm Insecticides- Granular Applications

Insecticide	Application	Ounces/1,000' row
<i>Aztec 2.1% G</i>	Band, T-Band, or furrow	6.7
<i>Aztec 4.67% G</i>	Band, T-Band, or furrow	3
<i>Counter 15% G</i>	Band or furrow	8

<i>Force 3% G</i>	Band, T Band or furrow	4-5
<i>Fortress 5% G</i>	T-band or furrow	3
Lorsban 15% G	Band or T band	8
<i>Mocap 15% G</i>	Band	8
<i>Thimet 20% G</i>	Band	6

NOTE: If you plan to use sulfonylurea herbicides, such as ACCENT or BEACON, read the labels of these products carefully before selecting a soil insecticide, especially note the comments regarding Counter. Also, learn the precautions concerning FOLIAR APPLICATIONS of organophosphate insecticides in conjunction with use of these herbicides.

Rootworm Insecticides- Liquid Applications

Insecticide	Application	Rate
<i>Brigade 2 EC</i>	5 to 7" T-band over open furrow	0.3 fl oz/1000' of row
<i>Capture LFR</i>	5 to 7" T-band over open furrow	0.39 to 0.49 fl oz/1000' of row
<i>Force CS</i>	T-banded or infurrow	0.46 to 0.59 fl oz/1,000' of row
<i>Lorsban 4 E</i>	Broadcast PPI	3 qts per acre
Lorsban75 WG	T-band	1.6 oz /1000' of row

Liquid insecticides must be compatible with liquid fertilizer if applied as tank mixes. *Mocap* is labeled only as a spray with water. Follow label directions carefully. Follow all recommended precautions when using these products. Liquid formulations are **more toxic** than similar granular formulations. **Note: Mocap and Thimet** may cause injury if placed in contact with the seed.

Cultivation Applications for Rootworms

A cultivation application may be made if no soil insecticide was applied at planting. Any of the granular insecticides listed above may be used at the indicated rates. *Lorsban 4E* at 2 pts per acre may be used as basal sprays. These treatments should be applied no later than the last half of May. Moisture following any cultivation is necessary for activation. Treatments will be slow to work or ineffective under very dry conditions. Cultivation treatments should be regarded as delayed applications, **not rescue** treatments. If significant rootworm damage has already occurred, these delayed applications will not provide effective control.

Wireworms

These can be a potential problem where corn follows grass or legume-grass sod. Several species can cause economic damage. Wireworms reduce plant populations by attacking the seed or boring into the young plant. The plant will die if the growing point is destroyed. There are no effective rescue treatments once damage is found in the field. Preplant incorporated applications of liquid formulations of Diazinon or Lorsban are registered for wireworm control in corn. This is economically impractical in most cases. Use of a soil insecticide at planting when high wireworm populations exist or are anticipated or seed treatments with moderate populations provide the best means of reducing stand loss.

Wireworm Insecticides

Insecticides	Application	Ounces/1,000' row
<i>Aztec 2.1% G</i>	Band, T-Band, or furrow	6.7 oz
<i>Aztec 4.67% G</i>	Band, T-Band, or furrow	3 oz
<i>Brigade 2 EC</i>	5 to 7" T-Band over open furrow	0.3 fl oz
<i>Capture LFR</i>	5 to 7" T-Band over open furrow	0.20 to 0.39 fl oz
Cobalt 2.545 EC	T-band	2.87 oz
<i>Counter 15%G</i>	Band or furrow	8 oz

Force CS	T-banded or infurrow	0.46 to 0.59 fl oz/1,000' of row
Force 3% G	Furrow	4-5 oz
Fortress 5%G	T-band or furrow	3 oz
Lorsban 15% G	Band, T-Band, or furrow	8 oz
Lorsban 4 E	Broadcast PPI	2 qts/acre
Mocap 15% G	Band	8 oz
Thimet 20% G	Band	6 oz

White Grubs

These may be abundant in fields following sod or severe grassy weeds in row crops, or where manure has been spread extensively. Several species of white grubs occur in Kentucky and occasionally may damage corn roots. A banded application of **Counter 15 G** is registered for control of white grubs. Lorsban 15G can be used at 8 to 16 oz per 1,000 ft in furrow. Aztec 2.1% G and **Mocap 15% G** are labeled for suppression of white grubs. Force 3% G is labeled at 5 oz per 1,000 ft, **Force CS** at 0.46 to 0.59 fl oz/1,000 ft, and Force 1.5% G at 10 oz per 1,000 ft for white grubs. **Fortress 5% G** at 3 oz per 1,000 ft for white grubs. **Brigade 2EC** is labeled for white grub control at 0.3 fl oz per 1000 row feet. **Capture 1.15G** is labeled for white grub control at 6.4 to 8 oz per 1000 ft as a T-band or 3.2 to 8 oz as an in-furrow application. There are no rescue treatments. Soil insect pressure can be high in no-till corn planted directly into ESTABLISHED SOD. Wireworms, white grubs and corn root aphids may be encountered. Use of a soil insecticide is recommended when planting corn directly into sod because of the high probability of damaging populations of soil insects. Best results can be expected when the insecticide is placed directly in the seed furrow. Both the seed and granular insecticide should be covered with soil immediately after application.

Foliar Insect Pests

Populations of aboveground corn insect pests vary from year to year. Weekly field inspections, at least during critical periods of corn development, will allow detection of damage and timely application of an insecticide treatment. In general, infestations of these pests can be detected and evaluated by weekly examinations of groups of 20 consecutive plants at random locations within the field. One site for each 10 acres of field size should be adequate. Recording the number of infested plants per location and numbers and size of pests provides invaluable information on which to base control decisions.

Cutworms

Late planting, moderate to heavy infestations of broadleaf weeds prior to planting, poor field drainage, or an abundance of crop residue, especially soybean straw, are factors that contribute to cutworm problems. Fields with one or more of the risk factors listed above and a history of cutworm problems need to be monitored closely and rescue treatments applied according to economic thresholds or receive a preventive cutworm treatment. Cutworm monitoring and the use of rescue treatments is recommended as the primary cutworm management strategy, but in the absence of monitoring in fields that are at risk, producers should not leave cutworm management to chance. Rescue treatments can be applied when field inspection indicates that an economic infestation is present. This is the most cost efficient strategy to follow. Frequent field scouting and early detection of the problem is essential. Treat when 3% of the stand is cut and 2 or more larvae (1" or smaller) are found per 100 plants. In fields with a history of serious cutworm problems or in years when cutworm activity is high, fields that have received preventive treatments may need to be scouted and rescue treatments applied. Control may be unsatisfactory if the soil is dry and crusted and the cutworms are feeding well below the soil surface. Under hot, dry conditions control with some products may be enhanced by cultivation or use of rotary hoe after application. See **ENT-59**, Cutworm Management in Corn, for more information.

Cutworm Preventive Treatments

Insecticide	Rate	Notes
Asana XL	5.8 to 9.6 fl. oz. per acre	
Aztec 2.1% G	6.7 oz. per 1000' of row	Apply as a T-band
Aztec 4.67% G	3 oz. per 1000' of row	Apply as a T-band
Baythroid XL	0.8 to 1.6 fl oz	grain/fodder 21 days, green 0 day

Belt SC	2 to 3 fl oz per acre	Apply as a T-band
<i>Brigade 2 EC</i>	0.3 fl oz per 1000' of row	Apply as a T-band
<i>Capture LFR</i>	0.20 to 0.39 fl oz per 1000' of row	Apply as a T-band
<i>Capture 1.15% G</i>	6.4 to 8 oz per 1000' of row	Apply as a T-band
<i>Capture 1.15% G</i>	3.2 to 8oz per 1000' of row	Apply in-furrow
Cobalt 2.545 EC	13 to 38 fl oz per acre	Apply as T-band
<i>Force 3 % G</i>	4 to 5 oz per 1000' of row	May use 3 to 4 oz with T-band or banded applications in 1st year corn only
<i>Hero 1.24 EC</i>	2.6 to 6 fl oz per acre	
Lorsban 15 % G	8 oz per 1000' or row	Apply as T-band or band
<i>Lorsban 4 E</i>	2 to 4 pints per acre	Preplant incorporation
<i>Lorsban 4 E</i>	2.4 fl. oz. per 1000' of row	Apply as T-band in front of press wheel
Lorsban 75 WG	1.6 oz. per 1000' of row	Apply as T-band
<i>Mustang Max</i>	0.16 fl oz per 1000' of row	Banded or T-band
<i>Permethrin 3.2 EC</i>	4 to 8 fl. oz. per acre	Broadcast or banded sprays
<i>Pounce 1.5 % G</i>	8 ounces per 1000' of row	Apply as T-band or band
<i>Proaxis 0.5 EC</i>	1.92 to 3.2 fl oz per acre	
<i>Voliam Xpress</i>	5 to 9 fl oz per acre	
<i>Warrior T</i>	1.92 to 3.2 fl. oz. per acre	

Cutworm Rescue Treatments

Insecticide	Rate per Acre	Notes
<i>Asana XL</i>	5.8 to 9.6 fl oz	21 day PHI
<i>Baythroid XL</i>	0.8 to 1.6 fl oz	Grain/fodder 21 days, green 0 days
Belt SC	2 to 3 fl oz per acre	28 day PHI
<i>Brigade 2 EC</i>	2.1 to 6.4.fl oz	30 day PHI
Cobalt 2.545 EC	13 to 26 fl oz per acre	21 day PHI
<i>Decis 1.5 EC</i>	1 to 1.5 fl oz	21 day PHI
<i>Hero 1.24 EC</i>	2.6 to 6 fl oz per acre	30 day PHI
<i>Lorsban 4 E</i>	1 to 2 pts	35 day fodder interval
Lorsban 75 WG	0.67 to 1.33 lb	35 day PHI
<i>Mustang Max</i>	1.28 to 2.8 fl oz	30 day grain, 60 day silage PHI
<i>PennCap-M 2FM</i>	4 pts	Ground only, 12 day PHI
<i>Permethrin 3.2 EC</i>	4 to 8 fl oz	30 day PHI
<i>Proaxis 0.5 EC</i>	1.92 to 3.2 fl. oz.	21 day PHI
Sevin 80 S	2-1/2 lbs	12" band
<i>Voliam Xpress</i>	5 to 9 fl oz per acre	
<i>Warrior T</i>	1.92 to 3.2 fl oz	21 day PHI

Armyworm

Armyworm damage may occur in corn shortly after planting into killed sod or small grains. Usually, these insects are present at planting and move to small corn as the cover crop dies. Infestations may be spotty and intense. Control is justified if an average of 2 or more larvae are found on 25-30% of the plants or 1 larva is found per plant on 75% of the stand. See **ENFACT-109**, Armyworms in Corn, for more information.

Fall Armyworm

Fall armyworm can appear in early July and are more likely to attack late-planted corn. Late corn should be watched closely for signs of infestation. Insecticide application by ground rig using at least 30 gallons of water per acre and high pressure will give the best results. Treat whorl stage corn if egg masses are present on 5% or more of the plants or if live larvae are found on 25% or more of the plants. See ENTFACT-110, Fall Armyworm in Corn, for more information.

Foliar Applications for Armyworm and Fall Armyworm

Insecticide	Rate per Acre	Notes
<i>Asana XL</i>	5.8 to 9.6 fl oz	True armyworm, 21 day PHI
<i>Baythroid XL</i>	1.6 to 2.8 fl oz	grain/fodder 21 days, green 0 day
Belt SC	2 to 3 fl oz per acre	28 day PHI
<i>Brigade 2 EC</i>	2.1 to 6.4 fl oz	30 day PHI
<i>Capture 1.15% G</i>	3.4 to 8.7 lbs	30 day PHI
Cobalt 2.545 EC	13 to 26 fl oz	21 day PHI
Coragen 1.67 SC	3.5 to 5 fl oz	Fall armyworm, 14 day PHI
<i>Hero 1.24 EC</i>	4 to 10.3 fl oz	30 day PHI
Intrepid 2F	4 to 8 fl oz	True armyworm, 21 day PHI
<i>Lannate 90 WSP</i>	1/4 to 1/2 lb	21 day PHI, 3 forage, 21 fodder
<i>Lorsban 4 E</i>	1 to 2 pts	See cutworm notes
Lorsban 75 WG	0.67 to 1.33 lb	35 day PHI
Malathion 57% EC	1-1/2 to 2 pts	5 day PHI
<i>Mustang Max</i>	3.2 to 4 fl oz	30 day grain, 60 day silage PHI
<i>PennCap-M 2 FM</i>	4 pts	Ground only, 12 day PHI
<i>Permethrin 3.2 EC</i>	4 to 8 fl oz	30 day PHI
<i>Proaxis 0.5 CS</i>	2.56 to 3.84 fl. oz.	21 day PHI
Radiant 1 SC	3 to 6 fl oz	28 day PHI
Sevin 80 S	1-1/4 to 2-1/2 lbs	12" band, 14 day PHI day PHI
Tracer 4 SC	2 to 3 fl oz	28 day PHI
<i>Voliam Xpress</i>	6 to 9 fl oz	21 day PHI
<i>Warrior T</i>	2.56 to 3.84 fl oz	21 day PHI

European Corn Borer and Southwestern Corn Borer

Treatment for FIRST GENERATION European corn borers may be recommended if 50% of the plants show fresh "window pane" feeding damage and live larvae are present. Infestations are generally higher in early planted corn. A computer model accurately predicts when to look for damage. Contact your county extension agent for this information and a copy of ENT-49, European Corn Borers in Corn. This publication will allow a more accurate estimate of potential yield loss and will aid in making control decisions.

The SECOND GENERATION of European corn borer is usually only a problem for late-planted corn. Control with insecticides can be difficult because the second generation is poorly synchronized. Early harvest is a way to reduce losses due to stalk breakage in fields that are heavily infested.

Controls should be considered for first generation southwestern corn borer if 35% of the plants show damage and Southwestern corn borer larvae are still present in the whorls. Corn planted after May 1 has a greater potential for Southwestern corn borer infestation.

Bt-corn Technology Available for Commercial Use

<i>Event</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Bt gene</i>	<i>Trade name</i>	<i>Pests controlled or suppressed</i>	<i>Refuge requirement</i>
Bt 11	Syngenta Seeds Inc	CryIAb	YieldGard Agrisure	European and southwestern corn borers, fall armyworm, and corn earworm	20% non-Bt refuge within ¼ to ½ mile of Bt fields
MON 810	Monsanto	CryIAb	YieldGard	European and southwestern corn borers, fall armyworm, and corn earworm	20% non-Bt refuge within ¼ to ½ mile of Bt fields
TC 1507	DowAgrosciences, Mycogen, Pioneer Hi-Bred Intl.	CryIF	Herculex 1	European and southwestern corn borers, black cutworm, fall armyworm, and corn earworm	20% non-Bt refuge within ¼ to ½ mile of Bt fields
MON 863	Monsanto	Cry3Bb1	YieldGard Rootworm	Corn rootworms	20% non-Bt RW refuge in or immediately adjacent to Bt RW field
MON 863 + Mon 810	Monsanto	CryIAb + Cry3Bb1	YieldGard Plus	European and southwestern corn borers and corn rootworms	20% non-Bt refuge in or immediately adjacent to Bt field
DAS 59122-7	Dow Agrosciences Pioneer Hi-Bred Intl	Cry34Ab1 + Cry35Ab1	Herculex RW	Corn rootworms	20% non-Bt RW refuge in or immediately adjacent to Bt RW field
TC 1507 + DAS 59122-7	Dow Agrosciences Mycogen Pioneer Hi-Bred Intl	CryIF + Cry34Ab1 + Cry35Ab1	Herculex XTRA	European and southwestern corn borers, black cutworm, fall armyworm, corn earworm, and corn rootworms	20% non-Bt refuge in or immediately adjacent to Bt field
MIR 604	Syngenta Seeds Inc	mCry3A	Agrisure RW	Corn rootworms	20% non-Bt RW refuge immediately adjacent to Bt RW field
Bt 11 + MIR604	Syngenta Seeds Inc	CryIAb + mCry3A	Agrisure CB/RW	European and southwestern corn borers, fall armyworm, corn earworm and corn rootworm	20% non-Bt refuge in or immediately adjacent to Bt field
Mon 88017	Monsanto	Cry3Bb1	YieldGard VT RW	Corn rootworms	20% non-Bt RW refuge in or immediately adjacent to Bt RW field
Mon 810 + Mon 88017	Monsanto	CryIAb + Cry3Bb1	YieldGard VT Triple	European and southwestern corn borers and corn rootworms	20% non-Bt refuge in or immediately adjacent to Bt field
Mon 89034 + Mon 88017	Monsanto	Cry3Bb1 + Cry1A.105 + Cry2Ab	YieldGard VT Triple Pro	European and southwestern corn borers, corn earworm, fall armyworm and corn rootworms	20% non-Bt refuge in or immediately adjacent to Bt field

TC 1507 + DAS 59122-7 + Mon 89034 + Mon 88017	Dow Chemical Co. and Monsanto	CryIF + Cry34Ab1 + Cry35Ab1 + Cry3Bb1 + Cry1A.105 + Cry2Ab	SmartStax	European and southwestern corn borers, corn earworm, fall armyworm and corn rootworms	5% non-Bt refuge in or immediately adjacent to Bt field
TC 1507 + DAS 59122-7 and TC1507	Pioneer/DuPont	90% CryIF + Cry34Ab1 + Cry35Ab1 and 10% CryIF seed	AcreMax 1	European and southwestern corn borers and corn rootworms	No external refuge for RW, but a 20% corn borer refuge needed within ¼ to ½ mile
DAS 59122-7 and non-Bt seed	Pioneer/DuPont	90% Cry34Ab1 + Cry35Ab1 and 10% non-Bt seed	AcreMax RW	Corn rootworms	No external refuge needed
Mir162 and Bt11	Syngenta Seeds Inc	VIP and CryIAb	Agrisure Viptera 3110	Corn borers, corn earworm, fall armyworm, black cutworm	20% non-Bt refuge needed within 1/4 to 1/2 mile
Mir162, MIR604 and Bt11	Syngenta Seeds Inc	VIP, mCry3A and CryIAb	Agrisure Viptera 3111	Corn borers, corn rootworms, corn earworm, fall armyworm, black cutworm	20% non-Bt refuge in or immediately adjacent to Bt field
TC1507 and Mon810	Pioneer/Dupont	Cry1F and CryIAb	Optimun Intrasect	European and southwestern corn borers, black cutworm, fall armyworm, corn earworm	5% non-Bt block or strip refuge

Growers using these hybrids still need to monitor their fields regularly for non-Lepidopteran pests (such as corn leaf aphid and stink bugs).

Resistance Management and Bt Corn

A major concern with the use of these new hybrids is the development of Bt-resistance. The potential for corn borer and rootworm populations developing tolerance or becoming resistant is real and can be managed with the use of refuges. Growers need to prevent resistance rather than try to fight it once it becomes a problem. The EPA, Land Grant Universities, and industry have developed an effective resistance management plan that must be followed by all growers using Bt corn. The primary method to prevent or delay insect resistant is to always plant a corn borer/rootworm refuge depending on the type of Bt corn used. Each farm using Bt corn must have a form of refuge on that farm.

Foliar Treatments for European Corn Borer

Insecticide	Rate/acre	Notes
<i>Asana XL</i>	7.8 to 9.6 fl oz	21 day PHI
<i>Baythroid XL</i>	1.6 to 2.8 fl oz	grain/fodder 21 days, green 0 day
Bt products	See labels for specific use rates	
Belt SC	2 to 3 fl oz per acre	28 day PHI
<i>Brigade 2 EC</i>	2.1 to 6.4 fl oz	30 day PHI
<i>Capture 1.15G</i>	3.5 to 8.7 lb	30 day PHI
Cobalt 2.545 EC	26 to 38 fl oz	21 day PHI

Coragen 1.67 SC	3.5 to 5 fl oz	14 day PHI
Decis 1.5 EC	1.5 to 1.9 fl oz	21 day PHI
Hero 1.24 EC	4 to 10.3 fl oz	30 day PHI
Intrepid 2 F	4 to 8 fl oz	21 day PHI
Lorsban 15% G	5 to 6.5 lbs	35 day PHI; 14 day fodder
Lorsban 4 E	1.5 to 2 pts	35 day PHI; 14 day fodder
Lorsban 75 WG	0.67 to 1.33 lb	35 day PHI
Mustang Max	2.72 to 4 fl oz	30 day grain, 60 day silage PHI
PennCap-M 2 FM	2 to 4 pts	Ground only, 12 day PHI
Permethrin 3.2 EC	4 to 8 fl oz	30 day PHI
Pounce 1.5% G	6.7 to 13.3 lbs	30 day PHI
Proaxis 0.5 EC	2.56 to 3.84 fl oz	21 day PHI
Radiant 1 SC	3 to 6 fl oz	28 day PHI
Sevin 80 S	1-7/8 to 2-1/2 lbs	14 day PHI
Tracer 4 SC	1 to 3 fl oz	28 day PHI
Voliam Xpress	6 to 9 fl oz	21 day PHI
Warrior T	2.56 to 3.84 fl oz	21 day PHI

Foliar Treatments for Southwestern Corn Borer

Insecticide	Rate/acre	Notes
Asana XL	5.8 to 9.6 fl oz	21 day PHI
Baythroid XL	1.6 to 2.8 fl oz	grain/fodder 21 days, green 0 day
Baythroid 2	1.6 to 2.8 fl oz	grain/fodder 21 days, green 0 day
Bt products	See labels for specific use rates	
Belt SC	2 to 3 fl oz per acre	28 day PHI
Brigade 2 EC	2.1 to 6.4 fl oz	30 day PHI
Capture 1.15G	3.5 to 8.7 lb	30 day PHI
Cobalt 2.545 EC	19 to 38 fl oz	21 day PHI
Decis 1.5 EC	1.5 to 1.9 fl oz	21 day PHI
Hero 1.24 EC	4 to 10.3 fl oz	30 day PHI
Intrepid 2 F	4 to 8 fl oz	21 day PHI
Lorsban 15% G	5 to 6.5 lbs	35 day PHI; 14 day fodder
Lorsban 4 E	1.5 to 2 pts	35 day PHI; 14 day fodder
Lorsban 75 WG	1 to 1.33 lb	35 day PHI
Mustang Max	2.72 to 4 fl oz	30 day grain, 60 day silage PHI
PennCap-M 2 FM	2 to 4 pts	Ground only, 12 day PHI
Permethrin 3.2 EC	4 to 8 fl oz	30 day PHI
Pounce 1.5% G	6.7 to 13.3 lbs	30 day PHI
Proaxis 0.5 EC	2.56 to 3.84 fl oz	21 day PHI
Radiant 1 SC	3 to 6 fl oz	28 day PHI
Sevin 80 S	1-1/2 to 2-1/2 lbs	14 day PHI

Tracer 4 SC	2 to 3 fl oz	28 day PHI
<i>Voliam Xpress</i>	6 to 9 fl oz	21 day PHI
<i>Warrior T</i>	2.56 to 3.84 fl oz	21 day PHI

Occasional pests

Brown marmorated stink bug has become a problem late in the season for corn grown in the Mid Atlantic states and has recently moved into Kentucky. It feeds through the husk to shrivel the developing kernels. Although only labeled for generic stink bug control, *Baythroid*, *Brigade*, *Capture*, Cobalt, *Decis*, *Hero*, *Lorsban*, *Mustang*, or *Pennncap-M*, *Voliam Xpress*, or *Warrior* should help to control this pest.

Corn leaf aphids should be monitored prior to tassel emergence and again one week later. Consider treating for corn leaf aphids if an average of 100 or more per plant on 50 percent or more of the plants. On tasseled corn, aphids usually have done their damage and killing them often provides little savings. If less than 50% of pollination has occurred, aphids and honeydew are covering tassels and plants are stressed, an insecticide may be necessary to ensure adequate pollination, but treatments need to be made within 48 hours of tassel emergence. *Asana XL*, *Brigade*, *Capture*, Cobalt, *Dimethoate*, *Lannate*, *Lorsban*, or Malathion may be used for control.

Common stalk borers can be damaging in notill or reduced tillage corn. Control is difficult once the larvae have become established in corn plants. Treatment is most successful when applied just prior to the borers entering the plants. Most insecticides labeled for cutworm control are labeled for stalk borer. See **ENTFACT-100**, *The Common Stalk Borer in Corn* for more information.

Corn earworms may be found feeding on ear tips of field corn. Repeated insecticide applications are needed to significantly reduce infestations because moths lay eggs over an extended period of time. Control attempts cannot be economically justified. Corn earworms can be found feeding in the whorl but will not cause significant injury.

Corn flea beetles overwinter as adults and populations are generally highest following mild winters. Early feeding often occurs during cool weather when corn growth is retarded. *Counter* at planting will reduce flea beetle injury. *Asana XL*, *Baythroid*, *Capture*, Cobalt, *Decis*, *Hero*, *Lorsban*, *Mustang*, *Pennncap-M*, *Pounce*, Sevin, *Voliam Xpress* or *Warrior* can be used as foliar sprays if feeding damage becomes severe. Corn flea beetles can carry the pathogen that causes bacterial leaf blight. Selection of corn varieties resistant to this disease should be considered.

Corn root aphids are small (1/16" long) bluegreen to graygreen sucking insects that feed on corn roots. Leaves of infested plants will wilt and may turn brown and die. These aphids are tended by ants. Ant mounds and ant activity may be visible on the soil surface. Plants can be killed or stunted. Damage is most severe under dry soil conditions. There are no rescue treatments. Tillage or soil insecticides will provide some control, seed treatments do not appear to provide sufficient control.

Grasshoppers may become a problem in field corn late in the growing season. Damage is often confined to border rows. No suitable economic thresholds are available. *Asana XL*, *Baythroid*, *Brigade*, *Capture*, *Decis*, *Lorsban*, *Mustang*, Malathion, *Pennncap M*, Sevin or *Voliam Xpress* may be used as foliar sprays if treatment is needed. See product labels for rates.

Early-Season stink bugs may be a problem in corn planted under reduced tillage practices following soybeans or small grains. These brown, shield-shaped insects with piercing-sucking mouthparts, feed at the base of corn plants and may cause stunting, tillering or death. Corn is most susceptible to damage from seedling through the 4-leaf stage. Stunted plants usually recover, but yields from stunted plants are reduced by about 60%. *Baythroid*, *Brigade*, *Capture*, Cobalt, *Decis*, *Hero*, *Lorsban*, *Mustang*, *Pennncap-M* or *Voliam Xpress*, applied at cutworm rates, or *Warrior* at 3.2 to 3.84 fl oz per acre should provide adequate control. See ENTFACT-305 *Stink Bug Damage to Corn*, for more information.

Silk clipping insects may present a problem if damage occurs prior to pollination. Consider treatment if less than 75% of the plants in the field have silked, there are 5 or more rootworm beetles or 2 or more Japanese beetles per ear, and silk clipping is occurring. See **ID-48**, Silk Clipping Insects on Corn. *Asana XL*, *Baythroid*, *Brigade*, *Capture*, *Cobalt*, *Hero*, *Lannate*, *Lorsban*, *Mustang*, Malathion, *Penncap-M*, *Pounce*, Sevin, *Voliam Xpress* or *Warrior* can be used to control silk slipping insects.

Southern corn leaf beetle can be a problem by cutting off newly emerging seedlings. Their color allows them to blend in with the soil and the damage is often attributed to cutworms. Use thresholds for cutworms to help decide if treatment is needed. *Baythroid XL*, *Brigade*, *Cobalt*, *Hero*, *Lorsban*, *Mustang Max*, *Voliam Xpress*, and *Warrior* can be used to control southern corn leaf beetle.

Products for Control of Insect Pests in Stored Field Corn

Information in these tables is subject to change at any time. Always check the label of the product to insure that you use it correctly.

Empty Bin "Clean Out"

This is an "empty" space fumigation targeted at the space beneath the perforated floor in a metal grain bin. See the **WARNING** below.

Chlor-o-Pic (chloropicrin) 2-4 lb./1000 cubic feet. NOTE: Do **NOT** use to fumigate grain!

Chloropicrin is significantly heavier than air and is therefore preferred for "clean-out" fumigations. However, though it is still labeled for "clean-out" of empty bins, it may not be available in small containers due to shipping constraints. Chloropicrin is highly corrosive to most metals.

Phostoxin, Fumtoxin, etc. (aluminum phosphide): tablets 30-140 / 1000 cubic feet.
NOTE: applied to a volume not bushels. pellets 150-700 / 1000 cubic feet.

Aluminum phosphide is not significantly heavier than air and is therefore not the preferred product. However, it is labeled for this use and is easily available. Because of its light and penetrating nature very close attention must be paid to sealing the area to be treated.

Interior Bin Surface Applications

Use only in empty bins.

Tempo SC Ultra (cyfluthrin) 0.27 fl. oz. per 1,000 sq. ft.
Insecto, etc. (silicon dioxide, from diatomaceous earth) 1 lb. per 1,000 sp. Ft.

Note: some grain buyers, especially food processors will not accept grain coated with this product. Be sure your buyer will accept this treatment.

Grain Protectants

Applied to stored corn. Do not use the same compound to treat both the empty bin and the bulk grain.

Actellic 5E (pirimiphos-methyl) 9.2 - 12.3 fl. oz. per 1,000 bu.

Grain Surface Treatments

For Indian Meal Moth in stored corn.

Actellic 5E (pirimiphos-methyl)..... 3 fl. oz. in 2 gal. water / 1,000 sq. ft.
Dipel DF (Bacillus thuringiensis, kurstaki)..... 1 lb. / 1,000 sq. ft. (mixed to 4 inch deep)
Biobit HP (Bacillus thuringiensis, kurstaki)..... 1 lb. / 1,000 sq. ft. (mixed to 4 inch deep)

Note: Indian meal moth adults (IMM) may be controlled by hanging DDVP Resin strips (Vapona) in the head space over the grain mass. Use 1 strip for each 1,000 cubic feet of air space over the grain. One treatment will last about 3 months. Many products with the active ingredient *Bacillus thuringiensis* (B.t.), may be used to control IMM. Dipel and Javelin are just two examples.

Bulk Grain Fumigation

Phostoxin, Fumtoxin etc. (aluminum phosphide) tablets 40 - 180 / 1,000 bu.
pellets 200 - 900 / 1,000 bu.

Economic thresholds are hard to determine for stored grain but these numbers should provide a guide to when fumigation will be profitable. Rice weevil or lesser grain borer 1 insect / qt of grain. Red flour beetle, rusty grain beetle and other bran bugs 5 insects / qt of grain. Successful fumigation includes consideration of many variables, use these fumigant amounts as a guide and consult the label of the product you choose.

WARNING: Fumigation is a complicated and dangerous technique. If at all possible hire a commercial fumigator. If a commercial fumigation is not possible consult the label of the product you have chosen to use and follow it to the letter.

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