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SGLN Weed
Fact SheetPest Control
Calendar

FAST FACT:

Attempting weed control at the wrong time or with the wrong chemical just wastes money and effort. Follow the directions on the herbicide container at the correct time of year and win the weed war!

BLACKBERRY CONTROL SCHEDULE

	Summer		Autumn			Winter			Spring			S
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Chemical control												
Mechanical control												
Registered Chemicals	Brush Off, Brushkiller 600, * Grazon Extra, plus wetter											
Notes	Chemical control: Spray plants when actively growing. Not to be used in conjunction with biological control agents. Mechanical control: Remove dead canes only as required. If possible allow for natural breakdown.											

RAGWORT CONTROL SCHEDULE

	Summer		Autumn			Winter			Spring			S
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Chemical control												
Mechanical control												
Registered Chemicals	Brush Off, *Grazon Extra, Tordon Granules											
Notes	Chemical control: All year round however optimum during spring and summer. Mechanical control: During Summer remove and bag seed heads then spray remaining plant. Use gloves when handling.											

SPEAR, SLENDER AND VARIEGATED THISTLE CONTROL SCHEDULE

	Summer		Autumn			Winter			Spring			S
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Chemical control												
Mechanical control												
Registered Chemicals	Spear and Slender thistle: Amicide 625, *Grazon Extra Variogated thistle: Kamba M, Lontrel											
Notes	Chemical control: Optimum during spring and autumn. Mechanical control: Chip out plants ensuring tap root is removed. Bag seed heads.											

CALIFORNIAN THISTLE CONTROL SCHEDULE

	Summer		Autumn			Winter			Spring			S
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Chemical control												
Mechanical control												
Registered Chemicals	Lontrel											
Notes	Chemical control: Optimum during spring and autumn. Mechanical control: Possible but generally not recommended. The deep root system makes it difficult to eliminate.											

CAPE, ENGLISH AND FLAX LEAF BROOM CONTROL SCHEDULE												
	Summer		Autumn			Winter			Spring			S
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Chemical control												
Mechanical control												
Registered Chemicals	* Grazon Extra, Tordon 75-D											
Notes	Chemical control: Optimum from late winter to early summer. Large plants can be cut to ground level and painted with herbicide. Mechanical control: Small seedlings can be removed by hand. Larger plants can be pulled out if the soil is soft. Larger plans containing seed should be bagged.											

WOODY WEEDS (HAWTHORN, MIRROR BUSH AND SWEET PITTOSPORUM) CONTROL SCHEDULE												
	Summer		Autumn			Winter			Spring			S
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Chemical control												
Mechanical control												
Registered Chemicals	Glysohate e.g. Round Up, Vigilant gel											
Notes	Chemical control: Optimum from late winter to early summer. Large plants can be cut to ground level and painted with herbicide. Mechanical control: Small seedlings can be removed by hand. Larger plants can be pulled out if the soil is soft. Larger plants containing seed should be bagged.											

FOX AND RABBIT CONTROL SCHEDULE												
	Summer		Autumn			Winter			Spring			S
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
FOX control												
RABBIT control												
Notes	Fox Control: Integrated control; baiting, trapping, shooting, den destruction, harbour removal, rabbit control and managing sheep Timing: Autumn prior to mating and Spring during lambing. Year round control desirable Rabbit Control: Integrated control; baiting, trapping, fencing, shooting, warren destruction and ferreting. Timing: Summer to Autumn: when feed is scarce, prior to mating. Year round control desirable											

TIMING OF PASTURE AND/OR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT												
	Summer		Autumn			Winter			Spring			S
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Pasture Improvement												
Environmental Improvement												
Notes	Pasture Improvement: Fertiliser, rotational grazing, spelling the paddock over spring and summer and pasture renovation are methods used to decrease competition from broadleaf weeds. More info visit www.dpi.vig.gov.au Environmental Improvement: Tree planting, fencing and erosion control (suitable time for tree planting depends on rainfall and ground conditions)											

Always read product label instructions carefully. For instance different chemicals can have various effects on pasture. Do not exceed recommended mixing rates as this can affect the mode of action fo the chemical, and make it less effective. Chemical mentioned are recommended as they are well locally known brands; other brands are available with the same chemical ingredients and are just as effective. For further information visit www.southgippslandweeds.com.au

*Australian Chemical Users Permit (ACUP) required to use restricted use chemicals in Victoria.



South Gippsland Landcare Network
 The South Gippsland Landcare Network is made up of 18 Landcare groups. Landcare encourages land stewardship and aims to improve the long term productivity and sustainability of our land.
 If you would like to become involved in Landcare in South Gippsland you can contact us on 5662 5759 or email us on sgln@landcare.net
 The South Gippsland Community Weeds Taskforce meets to discuss weed control policy and strategies.
 Contact the Taskforce through the SGLN.