

Cantaloupe and Watermelon fungicide schedule (May 2025, minor edits)

Systemic products recommended at or right before lay-by. Products in systemic list A and B should be applied together or with a contact product to control both gummy stem blight and anthracnose. Products in list C are recommended for the control of both diseases and don't need to be mixed. Products for Phytophthora blight (list D), if needed, should be started when watermelon fruit are at softball stage. See mwveguide.org (ID-56). Read label! Alternate FRAC (MOA) codes. Numbers after products: (REI/PHI-FRAC code).

Stage	General
Vine touch	Apply contact fungicides by first vine touch within a row. Start with chlorothalonil products.
Flowering	
Lay-by	Systemic from list A, B or C
Fruit set	Watermelon-systemic from list D; cantaloupe systemic from list E 10-14 days before fruit set.
Fruit maturity	Continue systemics from list A, B or C. Alternate systemics with contact fungicides or systemics with different FRAC code. Apply systemics from list D and E when crop is threatened. Chlorothalonil products may increase sunburn of mature fruit if poor canopy/hot weather.
Harvest	Continue alternating systemics and contacts. Note PHIs of fungicides.

Contact-group M	Comment
chlorothalonil (12/0-M)	Use with care on mature watermelon fruit
mancozeb (24/5-M)	Note PHI
copper (24/0-M)	Use for bacterial fruit blotch at first flowering.

Systemic list A-gummy stem blight	Systemic list B-anthracnose	Systemic list C-anthracnose & gummy stem blight
Inspire Super (12/7-3, 9)	Cabrio (12/0-11)	Quadris Opti (12/1-11, M)
Monsoon, Onset, Toledo, Vibe (12/7-3)	Luna Sensation (12/0-11, 7)	Quadris Top (12/1-11, 3)
Luna Experience (12/7-7, 3)	Merivon (12/0-7, 11)	
Miravis Prime (12/1-7,12)	Pristine (12/0-7, 11)	
Switch 62.5WG (12/1-9, 12)	Quadris (4/1-11)	
	Topsin M (12/0-1)	

Systemic list D-Phytophthora blight	Comments
Agri-Fos, Phostrol, Prophyte, Rampart (4/0-33)	Apply to watermelon at softball stage.
Forum (12/0-40)	Actigard applied to manage angular leaf spot or bacterial fruit blotch may help to lessen severity of Phytophthora blight.
Elumin (12/2 – 22)	
Orondis Ridomil Gold SL (48/5 – 4, 49)	Do not follow soil application of Orondis with foliar application.
Orondis Ultra (4/0-40, 49)	
Ranman (12/0-21)	Best used in tank mix.
Revus (4/0-40)	
Presidio (12/2-43)	
Zampro (12/0-45,40)	

Systemic list E-powdery mildew	Comments
Aprovia Top (12/0-3, 7)	
Gatten (12/0-U13)	
Luna Experience (12/7-7, 3)	Also on list A
Procure (12/0-3)	
Proline (12/7-3)	
Quintec (12/3-13)	Contact product. Limit to one application.
Torino (12/0-U6)	Limit to one application.
Vivando (12/0-U8)	