

# Changes to the registration of pyrethrins pesticides (agricultural uses)



All pesticides used in Canada must be registered under the *Pest Control Products Act*. Pesticides are re-evaluated to ensure that they continue to meet health and environmental requirements. Re-evaluation may result in the revocation of a product or product uses. Health Canada may also request changes to a product's label, including mitigation measures, use sites and application methods.

Pyrethrins are insecticides used on a wide range of sites. The highlights of the re-evaluation decision concerning the **agricultural uses** of the active ingredient **pyrethrins**, published on March 2, 2023, are summarized below. In this factsheet, agricultural uses include agricultural, horticultural, greenhouses, domestic gardens and turf uses.

## Cancelled products

| Cancelled product   | Last date of sale | Last date of use  |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Domestic products listed in <a href="#">Appendix 1, Table 2</a> of the re-evaluation decision | March 2, 2024     | September 2, 2024 |
| Products listed in <a href="#">Appendix 1, Table 4</a> of the re-evaluation decision          | March 2, 2025     | March 2, 2026     |

## Label changes for pyrethrins pesticides

### Cancelled uses

#### As of March 2, 2025

- **Stop post-harvest use** on bulked or bagged stored grains

#### As for March 2, 2026

- **Stop use on crops** not specifically identified on product labels

### Others risk reduction measures, as of March 2, 2025

- Pre-planting delay of 30 days for rotating crops not specifically identified on labels
- Updated restricted-entry intervals (REI)
- Limits to the amount of product handled per day
- Updated required personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Use prohibited in greenhouses and on ornamentals for products that used to be registered for greenhouses and ornamentals unless the product is registered for use on green house peppers and chillis
- Additional hazard statements for bees, beneficial insects and aquatic organisms
- Application prohibited on crops that are very attractive to bees during the flowering period, and on other crops when bees are foraging
- Updated spray buffer zones
- Warnings for sites with characteristics that may be conducive to runoff and when heavy rains are expected
- Recommendation to install a vegetative filter strip (VFS)

Users must follow the instructions on the updated labels.

Using a pesticide contrary to the label directions is a violation of the *Pest Control Products Act*.

## Read the label

All pesticides registered in Canada have a Health Canada-approved label with a registration number. Read the pesticide label carefully, as it contains specific information on how to use it.

To find the most up-to-date label, use our online [label search tool](#), or search for “Health Canada pesticide labels” using your favourite search engine.

## For more information

Re-evaluation decision [RVD2023-06](#), Pyrethrins and its associated end-use products. *The Health Canada-approved label is the official document for law enforcement. In case of discrepancy with the contents of this information sheet, the information on the label prevails.*

Health Canada's Pesticide Compliance Program (PCP) is responsible for enforcing the *Pest Control Products Act* and its regulations. Visit: [canada.ca/pesticide-compliance](https://canada.ca/pesticide-compliance)