



Health Canada guidance for tank mixes



Pesticide tank mixes are permitted under the *Pest Control Products Act* if the products labels expressly permit tank-mixing.

Health Canada published a guidance document to clarify changes required to product labelling related to tank mixes. The key elements of this document are summarized below.

As of December 20, 2025, users of pest control products must strictly adhere to the clarifications provided regarding pesticides label instructions for tank mixes.

Permitted tank mixes

For tank-mixing to be permitted, labels must include:

- A statement that specifically allows for tank mixing; OR
- A general statement that tank-mixing is permitted.

The detailed statements can be found in the [Section 3.0](#) of the PMRA Guidance document.

In both cases, all label requirements, including directions for use, warnings, restrictions, environmental precautions and buffer zones for all products in the mix, must be met. Where these requirements differ on the tank mix partner labels, the most restrictive label must be followed.

Specific tank mixes may appear on the label of one or both tank mix partner labels. There is no requirement for the specific tank mix to appear on both tank mix partner labels.

Prohibited or restricted tank mixes

Tank-mixing is prohibited:

- When product labels are both silent with respect to tank mixing.
- When the tank mix partners contain the same active ingredient unless these products are specifically recommended on the label.
- When one product label contains the general statement and the other product is silent with respect to tank mixing.

Some labels contain exclusionary statements that preclude or limit tank mixing, such as “Do not mix or apply this product with any other additive, pesticide or fertilizer, unless as specifically recommended on this label.”

All tank mix scenarios can be found in the Table 1 on the following page.

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

Table 1 Examples of tank mix permissibility

Product X label says	Product Y label says	Tank mix permitted?
Nothing (silent on tank mixing)	Nothing (silent on tank mixing)	No
General tank mix statement	Nothing (silent on tank mixing)	No
Nothing (silent on tank mixing)	General tank mix statement	No
General tank mix statement	General tank mix statement	Yes
General tank mix statement	Tank mix with Product X	Yes
Tank mix with Product Y	General tank mix statement	Yes
Tank mix with Product Y	Nothing (silent on tank mixing)	Yes
Nothing (silent on tank mixing)	Tank mix with Product X	Yes
Tank mix with Product Y	Tank mix with Product X	Yes
Tank mix with Product Y	Exclusionary statement (and the label does not include a specific Product X tank mix)	No ¹
Exclusionary statement (and the label does not include a specific Product Y tank mix)	Tank mix with Product X	No ¹

¹ There may be registered labels that have tank mix scenarios such as this one. This is not allowed for new tank mix label amendments. Any product labels that have tank mix scenarios such as this one must be amended to address the contradictory scenario, by December 20, 2025.

Read and follow 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 verify if a pesticide is registered and 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

PMRA Guidance document, [Tank mix labelling](#). *The guidance document is the official Health Canada document. In the event of any discrepancy with the content of this factsheet, the content of the guidance document shall prevail.*

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