

Enquire about Factor to manage resistant weeds

"Farmers and agronomists on the Yorke Peninsula are realising we are up against it in the fight against herbicide resistance." says Chris Davey from YP AG.



Secure stock this season

Nufarm has issued a timely reminder to broadacre farmers to secure their stocks of Factor[®] and Havoc[®] as soon as possible, for the best opportunity to control resistant weeds like annual ryegrass and wild oats this season.

A growing number of farmers are adopting the strategy of tank mixing full rates of Havoc (clethodim 250g/L) with Factor on advice from agronomists and researchers, because the tank mix gives the best chance of controlling annual ryegrass and wild oats in pulse crops than either herbicide used alone.

"Our current stocks of Factor are fully committed and we expect strong demand in the next few weeks," says Geoff Cox, broadacre product manager with Nufarm.

"We recommend farmers act quickly to ensure their local reseller is aware of their Factor requirements before it is too late."

Geoff Cox from Nufarm.

Strategy for control of resistant ryegrass

Researchers such as Dr Chris Preston at the University of Adelaide, Dr Peter Boutsalis at Plant Science Consulting and at Nufarm have found that the best strategy for post-emergent control of resistant ryegrass is combining clethodim and Factor in a tank mix.

Yorke Peninsula farmers are adopting the tank mix on the advice of agronomists at YP AG, after extensive field testing led by their senior agronomist, Chris Davey.

"This region has become a hot spot for herbicide resistant weeds like annual ryegrass and brome grass, with farmers and agronomists here now realising we are up against it in the fight against herbicide resistance," Chris says.

"Our work shows that when we mix 180 g/ha of Factor with 500 ml/ha of clethodim as recommended, there's a synergistic effect between the enzymes in the two chemicals and the results are excellent," Chris said.

"Instead of $1 + 1 = 2$, we find that it's more like $1 + 1 = 5$."

"And annual ryegrass control is even more robust when we add 1% Supercharge[®] Elite, as recommended by Nufarm."

Chris says this tank mix is proving valuable for controlling resistant ryegrass in a range of legume crops and pastures including lentils, chickpeas, faba beans, field peas, vetch and medic.



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