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1. Use full rates that will kill weeds. Commercial glyphosate formulations contains 3 to 5 lbs acid equivalent (4 to 6.1 lb active ingredient) per gallon. Refer to the end of section A4 for rates based on formulation. Dead weeds do not produce seed or contribute to glyphosate resistance. Reduced glyphosate rates will amplify low-level resistance in weed progeny. Lambsquarters, waterhemp, horseweed (marestail), ragweed, and kochia have low-level resistance and require at least a full or elevated glyphosate rate. A reduced glyphosate rate may cause temporary injury symptoms allowing plants to recover, resume growth, and produce seed. Progeny from recovered plants will have a higher level of resistance and require higher herbicide rates to give the same level of control than parental plants. Surviving plants will contribute seed to the seed bank possessing amplified level of resistance. Refer to General Weed Management Guidelines in Section X1 - Herbicide Resistant Weeds.

2. Apply to small, actively growing annual plants. This early timing will not coincide with the preferred timing of early bud to early flower for most perennial weeds. Usually larger and older annual plants can be more difficult to control.

3. To optimize glyphosate phytotoxicity from sequential applications, delay the second application until new growth appears (>10-14 days).

4. Delay tillage at least 1 day after treating annual weeds and 3 days after treating perennial weeds for greater weed control from increased glyphosate absorption and translocation.

5. Low water volume (gpa) will enhance glyphosate activity. Low water volume produces spray droplets with high glyphosate concentration that results in greater absorption. Low spray volume also reduces the concentration of antagonistic salts in water that can interact with glyphosate. Low gpa produces small drops which may increase risk of damaging drift.

6. Glyphosate is very water soluble. High water solubility causes slow absorption through waxy plant cuticles. High air humidity increases glyphosate absorption and activity by hydrating leaf cuticle. Glyphosate activity also increases when plants are growing under good soil moisture. Inversely, weed control is reduced under low humidity and when weeds are drought stressed.

7. Always add reputable surfactant (NIS) to glyphosate unless prohibited by the label. Glyphosate absorption into plant tissue is slow and generally only 20-40% in most weed species. Add NIS at 1 qt/100 gal water to full adjuvant load formulations, 1 to 2 qt/100 gal water to partial adjuvant formulations, and 2 to 4 qt/100 gal water v/v to glyphosate formulations with no adjuvant. NIS may also increase retention of spray droplets and improve control of hard-to-wet species such as lambsquarters, and most grasses. Not all surfactants are equal - use reputable adjuvants.

8. Most oil adjuvants (COC) antagonize glyphosate - See #6.
Most herbicides applied with glyphosate are lipophilic (oil soluble). These include Group 1, 2, 4, 5, 14, 15, and 27 herbicides (See X1). Oil adjuvants (COC and MSO) greatly enhance oil soluble herbicides but antagonize glyphosate. NIS + AMS enhance glyphosate phytotoxicity more than other additives, are less effective with oil soluble herbicides, and will only partially overcome oil adjuvant antagonism of glyphosate. MSO based 'high surfactant oil concentrate' adjuvants (HSMOC-see page 130) contain a higher concentration of surfactant than COC and MSO and enhance oil soluble herbicides without decreasing glyphosate activity. Most COC/petroleum based 'high surfactant oil concentrate' (HSPOC) adjuvants are inferior to HSMOC adjuvants and usually do not perform differently than common COC or petroleum oil adjuvants.

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9. Apply oil adjuvants on an area basis (i.e. pt/A) rather than a volume basis (1% v/v/1 qt / 100 gal of water). HSMOC adjuvants are commercially recommended at half the POC and MSO rate (0.5% v/v vs 1% v/v). HSMOC adjuvants applied at full rates and on an area basis (1 to 1.5 pt/A) rather than on a volume basis (0.5% v/v spray water) will provide greater herbicide enhancement and more consistent weed control. HSMOC applied on a volume basis at low gpa does not contain enough oil adjuvant to optimize glyphosate and POST herbicides.

10. Always add AMS to glyphosate. AMS enhances glyphosate absorption and translocation and deactivates antagonistic hard water salts (Na, Ca, Mg, Fe). As spray droplet water evaporates, sulfate from AMS binds with antagonistic salts and prevents binding with glyphosate. In addition, ammonium from AMS binds with glyphosate resulting in greater absorption and weed control.
Nitrogen (ammonia) enhances glyphosate resulting in greater weed control in good and adverse growing conditions and even in the absence of antagonistic salts in water (See Section A6). AMS can be added at any time during spray tank loading when applying glyphosate but should be added first if applying several active ingredients in the tank with glyphosate. Allow granular AMS to dissolve before application or use a liquid formulation.

11. Glyphosate labels suggest AMS at 8.5 to 17 lb/100 gallons of water. However, analysis of water across the U.S. show 4 to 6 lbs/100 gal of AMS are adequate to overcome most hard water. Add AMS at a minimum of 1 lb/A if using greater than 12 gpa spray volume or 8.5 lb/100 gallons of water. The following equation can be used to calculate the amount of AMS needed to overcome antagonistic ions in the spray solution: *lbs AMS/100 gal = (0.002 X ppm K) + (0.005 X ppm Na) + (0.009 X ppm Ca) + (0.014 X ppm Mg) + (0.042 X ppm Fe).*
The formula does not account for cationic minerals (Ca) on leaf surfaces (lambsquarters, sunflower, velvetleaf, others) that can antagonize glyphosate. Refer to A6. Water in Montana and western ND and SD can have hardness levels of 1600 to 2500 ppm and require AMS at 17 lb/100 gal water. Determine water quality to determine minimum AMS rate. If using adjuvants called "Water Conditioning", or "AMS Replacement" adjuvants, use only those containing at least 4 lbs of AMS/100 gallons of water at their recommended rates. Data show generally less control from these AMS replacement adjuvants as compared to AMS at 8.5 lb/100 gal + NIS at 0.25% v/v.

12. Applying contact herbicides (Group 10, 14, and 22 - see X1) with glyphosate may result in antagonism and reduced weed control, especially of large weeds, winter-annual, biennial and perennial weeds. Contact herbicides cause rapid wilting and desiccation before the systemic glyphosate is absorbed reducing uptake and translocation within the plant. Contact herbicides may quickly kill small and susceptible weeds but regrowth of large weeds may be noticeable only a few days after application. Some contact herbicides that may antagonize glyphosate include: Aim, Cadet, Cobra, diquat, Fierce, Flexstar, Liberty, paraquat*, Phoenix, Reflex, Resource, Sharpen, Spartan, and Valor. High spray water volumes may overcome some antagonism.

13. Cold weather is a stress to plants. Generally, weed control from glyphosate applied during or after cold weather may be the same as when applied in warm weather but the end result (weed control) may take longer. However, cold weather may decrease glyphosate activity on certain weeds. Ideal temperatures for applying POST herbicides are between 65 and 85 F. Speed of kill will be slower during cold weather. Use higher rates to overcome reduced control from cold temperatures before or after application.

Glyphosate applied during cold weather, to large weeds, and weeds with low-level resistance will result in less weed control. AMS enhances weed control and can partially overcome reduced control of stressed plants.

Research data show wide temperature fluctuations (>15 F) 1 to 2 days before and after application are more likely to reduce weed control than consistently cool or cold temperatures. Wide temperature fluctuations can likely explain many situations where weed control is poor due to cold weather, especially with lambsquarters.

14. Excessive dew on plant foliage at application may reduce weed control by diluting the glyphosate concentration in spray droplets and negate the effect of low spray volume at application. Glyphosate absorption in plants is slow which partially explains the 6 to 12 hour rainfast period. Allow a 6 to 12 hour rainfast period for all glyphosate formulations regardless of label statements. Research has consistently shown increased glyphosate activity in humid conditions when leaf cuticles are hydrated. Dew on leaves will hydrate leaf cuticles and facilitate absorption.

15. Glyphosate is not deactivated by sunlight. However, time of day application studies show that activity of glyphosate is greatest when applied in full sunlight after 10:00 am and before 6:00 pm.

16. Use drift management techniques. Glyphosate is a non-selective, non-residual, translocated, foliar herbicide. Glyphosate can cause severe injury or death of plants intercepting even a small amount of active ingredient in down-wind spray droplet drift. Several drift reducing nozzles (example, Turbo Tee-Jet) can reduce drift without reducing phytotoxicity. Do not use 'thickener' drift reducing adjuvants that negatively alter the spray pattern and reduce herbicide activity.

17. Glyphosate is not volatile and does not produce fumes or vapor after application. Off-target movement of glyphosate from wind or during temperature inversions is in the form of droplets or particle drift, not volatility.

18. Tolerant plants escape phytotoxicity by metabolizing herbicides, except glyphosate. Plant metabolism slows during cool or cold conditions extending the amount of time required to degrade most herbicides. Plants do not metabolize glyphosate and absorbed glyphosate will remain in the plant until warm temperatures cause plants to resume translocation of glyphosate to growing points via the phloem.

19. Glyphosate can be applied in the fall after several frosts and will result in excellent control of annual, biennial, and perennial weeds. However, plant tissue must be green or purple and leaves firmly attached to the stem to absorb and translocate the herbicide. Do not apply glyphosate to desiccated plant tissue from low freezing temperatures. Fall application to new plant growth is required for optimum herbicide activity.

20. Glyphosate is deactivated by strong adsorption to soil (including dust) and organic matter. Slow absorption allows glyphosate on the plant leaf surface to be inactivated by dust present either on the leaf surface or transported by wind. This applies also to using slough or river water for spraying. The addition of NIS or AMS will not overcome inactivation. Placing nozzles before or after wheels may reduce inactivation from dust. Applying glyphosate perpendicular to the previous application or shifting the sprayer to one side of the previous path may also reduce inactivation by dust.

21. Do not apply glyphosate brands formulated with surfactant (partial or full adjuvant formulations) to bodies of water because surfactant components are toxic to fish and aquatic life. Only no-adjuvant formulations, such as Aquamaster, Rodeo, and some 4 lb ae/gal formulations of glyphosate can be applied to water. An approved NIS surfactant at 1 gal/100 gal water must be added to no-adjuvant glyphosate formulations for adequate weed control. Refer to the Adjuvant Section, on page 134 for a list of NIS adjuvants registered for use in water.

22. Glyphosate has been reported to inhibit manganese (Mn) uptake in plants from soil. Glyphosate is a strong nutrient chelator and can immobilize micronutrients through enzyme inhibition and reduce micronutrient efficiency. These responses have only been seen in micronutrient deficient soils and can be managed by applying micronutrients as warranted by soil test analysis and fertilizer recommendation.

23. Glyphosate does not require low spray solution pH. Generally, efficacy of glyphosate is equal across normal water pH used for herbicide application. A theory has been promoted that at low spray solution pH, glyphosate and other weakly acidic herbicides would be more lipophillic (nonpolar) and more readily absorbed across nonpolar plant cuticles. Some adjuvants for glyphosate formulations lower pH but glyphosate is soluble at low pH and maintains efficacy. Adding acidifiers with the purpose of lowering the pH of spray solutions containing glyphosate is unjustified. Most AMS replacement adjuvants (see Adjuvant Compendium on page 134) used at 2 qt/100 gal water reduce spray solution pH which may prevent some binding of glyphosate with antagonistic minerals in spray water. However, they do not contain sulfate to bind with cationic minerals and do not contain ammonia which binds with glyphosate and is required for glyphosate optimization. "Acidic AMS Replacement" adjuvants (see page 134) contain AMADS or monocarbamide dihydrogen sulfate (urea + sulfuric acid), can reduce spray solution pH to ~2 to reduce cation antagonism, and can optimize glyphosate similar to AMS but only when applied at a minimum of 2 qt/100 gal water. Refer to #1 on page 136 - "Understanding a water quality analysis report" for additional information on spray solution pH.

24. Potassium (K) salt formulations of glyphosate may negatively interact with dma (dimethyl amine) salt formulations of 2,4-D in the spray tank resulting in precipitation. Conditions that increase the risk of precipitation are application in low gpa, using cold water, and using high herbicide rates. This is an example of two dissimilar salts causing physical incompatibility and possibility of reduced weed control. Another example of negative herbicide salt interaction is grass antagonism from tank-mixing glyphosate-ipa (isopropyl amine) and 2,4-D-dma (dimethyl amine). Landmaster BW, a mixture glyphosate-ipa and 2,4-D-ipa avoided this antagonism buy containing the same salt (ipa) for both herbicides.

Partial List of Registered Glyphosate Products in ND:

Trade Name	Manufacturer	Glyphosate salt	lb ae/gal	lb ai/gal	Adjuvant Load*
Abundit	Dupont	ipa	3	4	Full
Accord	Dow	ipa	4	5.4	None
Aquamaster	Monsanto	ipa	4	5.4	None
Barbarian Max	West Central	ipa & K	4.5	5.83	Full
Buccaneer	Tenkoz	ipa	3	4	Partial
Buccaneer Plus	Tenkoz	ipa	3	4	Full
Buccaneer 5	Tenkoz	ipa	3.7	5	Partial
Cornerstn 5 Plus	Winfield Sol.	ipa	4	5.4	Full
Credit / 41	NuFarm	ipa	3	4	Partial
Credit / 41 Extra	NuFarm	ipa	3	4	Full
Nfrm Credit/Extra	NuFarm	NH_4 & K	1.65+1.35	1.8 + 1.6	Full
Cleanfield 41%	Mid-America	ipa	3	4	Partial
Cleanfield Dry	Mid-America	NH_4	80.6%	88.8%	None
Credit Xtreme	NuFarm	ipa & K	2.5 + 2	6	Full
Duramax	Dow	dma	4	5.4	Full
Durango DMA	Dow	dma	4	5.4	Full
Extra Credit 5	NuFarm	ipa	3.7	5	Partial
Glyfos	Cheminova	ipa	3	4	Partial
Glyfos X-tra	Cheminova	ipa	3	4	Full
Glyphogan	MANA	ipa	3	4	Partial
Glysort	Glysortia	ipa	3	4	Partial
Glysort Plus	Glysortia	ipa	3	4	Full
Gly Star 5	Albaugh	ipa	4	5.4	None
Gly Star 5 Extra	Albaugh	ipa	4	5.4	Partial
Gly Star Gold	Albaugh	ipa	3	4	Partial
Gly " Gold Extra	Albaugh	ipa	3	4	Full
Gly Star Original	Albaugh	ipa	3	4	Partial
Gly Star Plus	Albaugh	ipa	3	4	Full
Helosate Plus	Helm Agro	ipa	3	4	Full
Helosate 70	Helm Agro	ipa	4.72	6.3	Full
Honcho plus	Monsanto	ipa	3	4	Partial
Mad Dog	Loveland	ipa	3	4	Partial
Mad Dog Plus	Loveland	ipa	3	4	Full
Makaze	Loveland	ipa	3	4	Full
Lajj Plus	Northmoose	ipa	3	4	Partial
Rodeo	Dow	ipa	4	5.4	None
RT 3	Monsanto	K	4.5	5.5	Full
RU PowerMax	Monsanto	K	4.5	5.5	Full
RU/Private labels	Various	ipa	3	4	Partial
RU WeatherMax	Monsanto	K	4.5	5.5	Full
Showdown	Helena	ipa + NH_4	2.7 + 0.3	3.64	Full
Strikeout	-	ipa	3	4	Partial
Touchdown CT	Syngenta	K	4.17	5.1	Full
Touchdn HiTech	Syngenta	K	5	6.1	None
Touchdown iQ	Syngenta	$(2(NH_3)$	3	4	Full
Touchdown Total	Syngenta	K	4.17	5.1	Full
Traxion	Syngenta	K	4.17	5.1	Partial

*Unless prohibited add NIS to commercial glyphosate formulations as follows:
Full adjuvant load = add NIS at 1 qt/100 gal water.
Partial adjuvant load = add NIS at 1 to 2 qt/100 gal water.
No adjuvant load = add NIS at 2 to 4 qt/100 gal water.

Table. Actual glyphosate product rates based on acid equivalent (ae) and active ingredient (ai) formulation concentrations -
Refer to page 4 for more information.

lb ae		lb ai		0.75 ae	1.125 ae	1.5 ae	2.25 ae	3 ae
				---------- fl oz/A ----------				
3	=	4	=	32	48	64	96	128
3.75	=	5	=	25.6	38.4	51.2	76.8	102.4
4	=	5.4	=	24	36	48	72	96
4.17	=	5.1	=	23	34.5	46	69	92.1
4.5	=	5.5	=	21.3	32	42.6	64	85
4.72	=	6.3	=	20.3	30.5	40.7	61	81.4
5	=	6.1	=	19.2	28.8	38.4	57.6	76.8