

# **Sierra**® Bring on the boost.

Boost the efficacy of ADAMA Wipe-Out<sup>®</sup> or Spraytop<sup>®</sup> with Sierra<sup>®</sup>, the easy-to-use liquid saflufenacil formulation that enhances control of tough broadleaf weeds.

**Product Guide** 



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### Introduction

## Sierra<sup>®</sup> herbicide boosts the power of knockdown herbicides to control challenging or resistant broadleaf weeds.

#### Key points

- Unique soluble liquid (SL) formulation of 160 g/L saflufenacil (Group 14) for ease of use, excellent compatibility and robust weed control
- Controls 30+ broadleaf weeds, including fleabane, red pigweed, wild radish, capeweed and volunteer cotton
- Ideal boost for fallow tank-mixes with paraquat in 'double knock' programs following glyphosate for improved weed control
- Compatible with a number of glyphosate formulations for one-pass control of annual grass and broadleaf weeds in fallow
- Unique OSST registration broadens use pattern options
- Aids harvest in pulses, overcoming uneven crop maturity and reducing weed biomass for improved harvest efficiency
- Low use rates convenience; minimal packaging, handling and transport

### Unique formulation

Sierra® herbicide is a unique Soluble Liquid (SL) formulation of 160 g/L saflufenacil, a systemic Group 14 (Group G) herbicide that provides rapid brown-out of more than 30 broadleaf weeds. Sierra® herbicide can be applied before sowing summer and winter crops; in fallow (and in combination with optical spot spray technologies); as a harvest aid for winter pulses; and in established lucerne, orchards, forestry and non-crop situations.

#### Use of surfactant/wetting agent

Always use with a blended methylated/ethylated seed oil at 1% e.g. Hasten\*, Plantocrop\* or Kwickin\*. Not all surfactants or crop oils are of equal quality. ADAMA Australia does not support the use of alternative products other than those listed in the compatibility section of the label.

#### Water quality

The performance of Sierra® herbicide is not impacted by alkaline water. However, check tank-mix partner herbicide sensitivities to alkaline water quality characteristics and address as appropriate. The addition of ammonium sulphate (AMS) is recommended where water hardness is an issue.

#### Mixing

Completely fill the spray tank with water, leaving sufficient room for the addition of products and commence agitation. If required, add any WG or SC partners before any EC products. Allow sufficient time for granular products to completely disperse before continuing to add additional products to the tank mix. Add Sierra® herbicide to the tank and once dispersed, any additional SL formulations of glyphosate or paraguat, as specified in the compatibility section of the label or this guide, may be added. Once all crop protection partners are dispersed completely, add the surfactant as recommended on the label and in this guide to the tank. Good agitation must be maintained at all times during application. Apply the tank load within four hours of mixing.

#### **Glyphosate products**

The following glyphosate products are compatible in a tank-mix with up to 150 mL/ha Sierra® herbicide at the rates and water volumes per hectare specified. DO NOT tank-mix products listed in Table 1 at rates higher than or in water volumes lower than those specified. DO NOT tank-mix Sierra® herbicide with any other glyphosate products other than those specified in the table below.

### Table 1: Sierra® herbicide compatibility withglyphosate products.

| Product                   | Rate (mL) in<br>80 L water/ha | Rate (mL) in<br>100 L water/ha |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Crucial*                  | 1500                          | 1500                           |
| Roundup UltraMAX*         | Not recommended               | 1600                           |
| Weedmaster* DST*          | 1900                          | 1900                           |
| Glyphosate 450 g/L (IPA)  | 1500                          | 2000                           |
| Wipe-Out <sup>®</sup> Pro | 1650                          | 1650                           |

### **Target weeds**

The following weeds (Table 2) are controlled with Sierra<sup>®</sup> herbicide, either alone or in tank-mixes with approved glyphosate or paraquat products (refer to Sierra<sup>®</sup> Compatibility Guide).

#### Table 2: Weeds targeted by Sierra® herbicide.

| Weed  | Sierra® +<br>blended methylated/<br>ethylated seed oil<br>(including OSST application) | Sierra® +<br>glyphosate +<br>blended methylated/<br>ethylated seed oil | Sierra® +<br>paraquat +<br>blended methylated/<br>ethylated seed oil |
|---|--|--|--|
| Amaranth  |  |  |  |
| Amsinckia   |  |  |  |
| Annual ryegrass   |  |  |  |
| Australian crassula   |  |  |  |
| Barley grass  |  |  |  |
| Bindweed/climbing buckwheat   |  |  |  |
| Blackberry nightshade   |  |  |  |
| Brome grass   |  |  |  |
| Caltrop   |  |  |  |
| Capeweed  |  |  |  |
| Charlock  |  |  |  |
| Chickweed   |  |  |  |
| Clovers   |  |  |  |
| Common Catsear  |  |  |  |
| Cowvine/peachvine   |  |  |  |
| Crassula/stonecrop  |  |  |  |
| Fat Hen   |  |  |  |
| Fleabane  |  |  |  |
| Heliotrope  |  |  |  |
| Indian Hedge Mustard  |  |  |  |
| Khaki weed  |  |  |  |
| Kochig  |  |  |  |
| Marshmallow/Small-flowered mallow                                     |  |  |  |
| Medics  |  |  |  |
| Mexican poppy   |  |  |  |
| Muskweed  |  |  |  |
| Paterson's curse  |  |  |  |
| Penny cress   |  |  |  |
| Prickly lettuce   |  |  |  |
| Red pigweed   |  |  |  |
| Scarlet Pimperpel   |  |  |  |
| Shenherd's purse  |  |  |  |
| Silver arass  |  |  |  |
| Slender thistle   |  |  |  |
| Shouthean   |  |  |  |
| Sowthistle  |  |  |  |
| Shiny emer  |  |  |  |
| Stinging pettle   |  |  |  |
| Storkshill  |  |  |  |
| Volunteer canola (max 4 leaf) including                               |  |  |  |
| Roundup Ready* varieties  |  |  |  |
| Volunteer cotton seedlings including<br>Roundup Ready Flex* varieties |  |  |  |
| Volunteer pulse crops including lupin and chickpea                    |  |  |  |
| Wild oats   |  |  |  |
| Wild turnip/turnip weed   |  |  |  |
| Wild radish   |  |  |  |
| Wireweed  |  |  |  |



#### Efficacy data

Sierra® herbicide has demonstrated robust efficacy in trials conducted throughout Australia:

- Sierra<sup>®</sup> herbicide, applied alone or in a tank mix with Wipe-Out<sup>®</sup> Pro, provides comparable or superior performance to the industry standard when targeting fleabane (Figure 1).
- The addition of a blended methylated/ethylated seed oil (i.e. Hasten\*, Plantocrop\* or Kwickin\*) at 1% v/v is crucial to maximising the efficacy of Sierra® herbicide on target weeds (Figure 2).
- Sierra<sup>®</sup> herbicide, applied alone or in tank-mixes with Wipe-Out<sup>®</sup> Pro or Spraytop<sup>®</sup>, provides robust control of wild radish (Figure 3).
- Sierra<sup>®</sup> herbicide, alone or in tank-mixes with Wipe-Out<sup>®</sup> Pro or Spraytop<sup>®</sup>, provides robust activity against red pigweed (Figure 4).

• Tank-mixes of Sierra<sup>®</sup> herbicide and Wipe-Out<sup>®</sup> Pro provide robust control of capeweed, with results comparable to the industry standard (Figure 5).

The efficacy of Sierra<sup>®</sup> herbicide, applied alone or in approved tank-mixes, is maximised when targeting small, actively-growing weeds.

#### Table 3: Rate conversion.

| Sierra® herbicide<br>(mL/ha) | Saflufenacil 700 WG<br>(g/ha) |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 75 mL                        | 17 g                          |
| 115 mL                       | 26 g                          |
| 150 mL                       | 34 g                          |











#### Tank-mixing with glyphosate or paraquat

As with other Group 14/Group G herbicides, Sierra® herbicide is light activated. Herbicide symptoms may be accelerated under intense light, warm and moist conditions. During summer, in conditions of intense light, the speed and degree of brown-out caused by Group 14 herbicides can be too rapid and prevent adequate uptake and translocation of non-selective tank-mix partners, such as glyphosate, compromising efficacy on summer grass species in particular. When applying Sierra® herbicide as a tank-mix with an approved glyphosate product, always maintain robust application rates of the approved glyphosate formulations (refer to Table 1) and robust water volumes to compensate for evaporation and to promote better coverage and uptake. Alternatively, paraquat (e.g. Spraytop<sup>®</sup> 250 or Spraytop<sup>®</sup> 330) is an effective tank-mix partner option, as the speed of entry and herbicidal effects are as fast or faster than Group 14 herbicides, meaning the efficacy of Spraytop<sup>®</sup> is not compromised.





Figure 4: Sierra<sup>®</sup> herbicide in fallow – Red pigweed (vegetative 2–15cm) control 9 DAA and 24 DAA.

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#### **OSST** application

Optical Spot Spray Technology (OSST) has become a significant weed management tool. It offers the ability to concentrate herbicide applications to target problematic weeds, resulting in superior efficacy and reduced herbicide use compared with traditional broadacre applications. The OSST use pattern for saflufenacil is unique to Sierra® herbicide. Trials have demonstrated Sierra® herbicide, applied alone or in tank-mixes with Wipe-Out® or Spraytop®, achieves robust control of volunteer cotton in challenging situations (Figure 6).

#### Winter pulse desiccation

Uneven crop maturity often presents challenges when harvesting winter pulses, including chickpeas, faba beans, field peas, lentils and lupins. The ability to achieve even crop maturity and reduce broadleaf weed biomass before harvest can help to improve harvest efficiency and optimise harvesting time. Trials have demonstrated the application of Sierra® herbicide in combination with Wipe-Out® Pro or Spraytop® provides effective desiccation of winter pulses, such as lentils, comparable to the industry standard (Figure 7).







Figure 7: Sierra® herbicide lentil desiccation (pre-harvest application) 6 DAA and 24 DAA.

# **Re-cropping interval**

Sierra® herbicide does not provide long-term residual activity. However, certain crops show sensitivity to soil residues. Refer to Table 3 for application-to-sow intervals applicable to the maximum label rate. Check the label of any product mixed with Sierra® herbicide to determine any plant back periods or restrictions on use.

| Table 4: Sie | rra herbicide | re-cropping | intervals. |
|--------------|---------------|-------------|------------|
|              |               |             |            |

| 1 hour          | 1 day   | 6 weeks | 16 weeks    |
|-----------------|---------|---------|-------------|
| Barley          | Cowpea  | Cotton  | Sunflower   |
| Wheat           | Sorghum | Canola  | Other crops |
| Oats            | Soybean |         |             |
| Faba/broad bean |         |         |             |
| Corn            |         |         |             |
| Chickpea        |         |         |             |
| Field pea       |         |         |             |
| Lentil          |         |         |             |
| Lupin           |         |         |             |
| Sub clover      |         |         |             |

### Withholding periods

#### Harvest

**Pulses (including soybean):** DO NOT harvest for 7 days after application.

**Other crops:** Not required when used as directed. Refer to the withholding periods of products mixed with Sierra $^{\circ}$ .

### Grazing

DO NOT allow livestock to graze treated weeds.

**Pulses (including soybean):** DO NOT graze or cut for stock food for 7 days after application.

**Lucerne:** DO NOT graze or cut for stock food for 4 weeks after application.

**Other crops:** DO NOT graze or cut for stock food for 5 weeks after application.

### Restraints

DO NOT apply by fixed-wing aircraft. DO NOT apply tank-mix with paraquat by aircraft.



### **Product information**

| Active ingredient  | 160 g/L saflufenacil  |  |
|--------------------|---|--|
| Mode of action     | Group 14  |  |
| Formulation        | Soluble Liquid (SL)   |  |
| Registered uses    | Prior to sowing summer and winter crops,<br>fallow, prior to harvest of winter pulses, OSST,<br>established lucerne, orchards, forestry and<br>non-crop situations                                |  |
| Application timing | Post-emergent   |  |
| Target weeds       | Broadleaf weeds   |  |
| Water volume       | Ground application: 80–250 L water/ha.<br>Aerial application (helicopter only):<br>Apply in sufficient water to achieve thorough<br>coverage of target foliage and weeds.<br>OSST: 100 L water/ha |  |
| Spray quality      | COARSE droplet spectrum   |  |
| Re-entry period    | Once spray has dried  |  |
| Rainfastness       | 1 hour  |  |



Always read and follow the product label directions of all tank-mix partners. **Care must be taken when tank mixing more than two products, particularly products that are not manufactured by ADAMA, due to potential variation in formulations or product quality. Seek competent advice or perform a jar test if unsure before proceeding.** Note that physical compatibility tests determine whether the products will mix and are suitable for application using commercial spray equipment. Physical compatibility tests do not check for adverse crop effects or the biological efficacy of the individual products when applied as a tank-mix. Recommendations for use, handling, storage and disposal of products may also change over time. The information contained in this document is not intended to replace the product label. The product label, safety data sheet and supporting product information can be viewed on the ADAMA website www.adama.com or by scanning the QR code located on this document or the product packaging.



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