

# **2011 Southeast Regional Caneberries Integrated Management Guide**

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Recommendations are based on information from the manufacturer's label and performance data from research and extension field tests.

Because environmental conditions and grower application methods vary widely, suggested use does not imply that performance of the pesticide will always conform to the safety and pest control standards indicated by experimental data.

This publication is intended for use only as a guide. Specific rates and applications methods are on the pesticide label, and these are subject to change at any time. Always refer to and read the pesticide label before making any application! The pesticide label supersedes any information contained in this guide, and it is the legal document referenced for application standards.

# Blackberry and Raspberry Integrated Management Guide

## Pre-Transplant and Transplant Operations

**Blackberries and raspberry terminology** – In general, though there are exceptions, diseases of raspberries are the same as those of blackberries, and control measures are the same unless otherwise indicated. Flowers and fruit develop on the second year canes, the floricanes. A one-year-old cane is called a primocane. Blackberry varieties may be erect, semi-erect, or procumbent.

### **General fungicide resistance management recommendations:**

- limit the number of times fungicides of the same class are applied in one year. Rovral, Nevado and Iprodione are dicarboximides and Pristine, Cabrio, Heritage, and Abound represent strobilurins, as examples of fungicide classes (see the Fungicide Classes chart for additional help relative to resistance management programs).
- tank mix benzimidazoles or dicarboximides with a broad spectrum fungicide such as captan to control potentially resistant strains.
- apply fungicides of the same class in a block of sprays (1-2 sprays), then alternate to a fungicide of a different class in the next block of sprays.

**Nematodes** – Little is known about nematodes and brambles in the Southeast, but there are at least three reasons why nematodes can be potentially problematic for brambles: (1) they can directly destroy roots, resulting in decreased uptake of nutrients and water, as well as increasing root rot diseases, (2) nematode damage can increase crown gall, caused by a root and crown-infecting bacterium, and (3) many nematodes spread bramble viruses. September samples give the best assessments of root-knot, root-lesion, dagger and other significant nematodes of brambles, and all potential sites should be sampled well ahead of land preparation. Following fumigation, a two-month period is often required before planting. Relatively warm conditions are also required for effective fumigation. Therefore, it is best to fumigate by late October to late November, depending on location.

**Viruses – Bramble viruses are particularly problematic. Once viruses are introduced in a planting, there is no remedy, save for rapid removal of symptomatic plants. Since viruses can be introduced through propagation, clean planting stock is essential. Tissue-cultured plants are more likely to be free of viruses and crown gall.** Although it **does not guarantee virus-free plants, use of tissue-cultured plants is highly recommended for the Southeast.** Destruction of wild blackberries within 100-200 yards of a commercial planting may be of value to reduce potential introduction of viruses and other pathogens from the native populations. Nematode control, especially of dagger nematode, is essential to prevent virus spread; even low levels of dagger are dangerous.

**Crown gall** – All brambles can be affected. Canker-like growths or galls 0.25-2.5 inches in diameter develop on roots and stems; galls are first greenish-white, turning tan to brown, and then black. Use of tissue-cultured plants will also help to prevent introduction of crown-gall infected plants. As additional insurance against this disease, dip root cuttings in Galltrol or Nogall suspensions. Galltrol contains *Agrobacterium radiobacter* strain K84 and should result in significant reduction in disease. The new strain found in Nogall, K1026, is a derivative of strain K84. One 100g pack of Nogall, when mixed into slurry with 1 gallon of water, treats up to 2,000 cuttings. One container can treat as many as 10,000 root pieces. This biological control bacterium has not controlled all strains of the crown gall bacterium; local data on brambles is not currently available. All brambles are very susceptible, and the causal bacteria persist in soil. Wounds are required for infection, so every effort should be made to avoid wounding roots and lower stems. Allow root pieces to heal prior to planting. Prune when 2-3 days of open weather is expected. Avoid cultivation by using herbicides for weed control, but also avoid herbicide burn of stems.

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)  
Pre-Transplant and Transplant Operations (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b> | <b>Management Options</b>        | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>  |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|---|
| Nematodes           | 1,3-dichloro-propene (Telone II) | 27-35 gallons                         | +++++                                      | 5 days     |            | <b>Suggested pre-plant interval:</b> 4 to 8 weeks, longer when dissipation is slow. |

**Fumigation with Telone products.** Telone products are highly toxic. Carefully abide by all label precautions and review the label before each application. Telone II may be used when soil temperatures are from 40°-80°F at the prescribed injection depth (a minimum of 12 inches). Thorough soil preparation is required and soil moisture is a critical consideration. If it is too dry, the soil surface will not seal enough to prevent premature dissipation. If the soil is too wet, the product is less effective because it will not move as well in the soil, which will decrease product effectiveness. Excessive soil moisture can also prolong desired dissipation from the soil, which forces delay of planting to avoid phytotoxicity. Soil temperatures of 40°-80°F are required for use of Telone. However, the product is more active at the upper end of this temperature range. In the Southeast, applications should generally be made in the fall prior to mid-November. October soil temperatures often provide the best opportunity for efficacy, due to adequate soil temperatures. Plants can be easily killed by Telone if planting takes place too soon after application. At a minimum, the 27 GPA rate would require 4 weeks from application to planting, and the 35 GPA rate would require 5 weeks. If soils are wet or they have a clay component, dissipation will be much slower. Plan for at least 6-8 weeks between fumigation and planting. Even more time may be necessary. Before planting, use a post-hole digger or shovel to smell of the soil at the full depth of injection; if the almond-like odor of Telone is present, dissipation is not complete, and it is too early to plant. Cultivation, at a depth not to exceed the depth of Telone application, with subsoil shanks, a middle buster or other implements, will hasten dissipation of Telone. More than one cultivation may be required to get Telone out of the ground pre-plant.

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| Nematodes (continued) | metam sodium (Vapam, Sectagon II, Busan 1020) | 75 gallons                            | +++  | 48 hours   |            | If tarps are used for the application, non-handler entry is prohibited while tarps are being removed. Soil temperature must be 40°-90°F for activity. Soil moisture must be adequate, and has to be thoroughly cultivated prior to application. On well-drained soils with light to medium texture planting can begin 14-21 days after treatment. If soils are heavy or high in organic matter, or if the soils remain wet and/or cold (<60°F) following the application, a minimum interval of 21 days is necessary. Dissipation can be increased through cultivation. <b>Plan for at least a 4 week interval between treatment and planting. More time may be required.</b> |

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| Nematodes (continued) | Pic-Clor 60 EC (1,3-dichloropropene 37% + choropicrin 57%) | 19.5-44.5 gallons                     | ++++                                       | 5 days     |            | <b>SEE LABEL FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>  |
| Crown gall            | <i>Agrobacterium tumefaciens</i> strain K-84 (Galltrol)    | 1 plate/1-5 gal                       | ++   | 0 days     | not listed | Usually applied as a dip to root cuttings. This biological control bacterium has not controlled all strains of the crown gall bacterium. All brambles are susceptible. Avoid wounding of roots during planting because injury is required for infection. |
|                       | <i>Agrobacterium radiobacter</i> strain K1026 (Nogall)     | 100 g/gal                             | ++   | 0 hrs      | 0 days     | One 100 g pack of Nogall, when mixed into slurry with 1 gallon of water, treats up to 4,000 seeds, up to 1,000 seedlings and, depending on their size, 100-2,000 cuttings.   |

## **Dormant (prior to budbreak)**

**Cane and leaf rust and Anthracnose** – These can be reduced by dormant-season sanitation. Wild blackberries near commercial plantings should be destroyed. Bramble plantings should be pruned to remove old floricanes and any new canes that show signs of disease or insect injury. Remove and burn or bury prunings. Though difficult to accomplish, removal of old floricanes is essential to good sanitation in a bramble planting.

**Raspberry crown borer and red-necked cane borer** – Infested canes should be either removed from the site or burned immediately after harvest. In some blocks, cultural controls will need to be augmented with insecticides later in the production cycle.

## **Delayed Dormant (swollen buds) to Green Tip**

**FRAC/IRAC codes** – These acronyms refer to industry-sponsored committees addressing resistance to crop protection materials; **Fungicide Resistance and Insecticides Resistance Action Committees**. Pesticides affect their target pest in a variety of ways, and the way a pesticide kills the target organism is called the *mode of action* (MoA). Although pesticides have different names and may have different active ingredients, they may have the same MoA. Over time, pests can become resistant to a pesticide, and typically this resistance applies to all pesticides with the same MoA. When rotating pesticides, it is important to select pesticides with different MoAs. The FRAC/IRAC have grouped crop protection materials into groups with shared MoAs and given them numerical designations, which appear on pesticide labels. The code **UN** means the MoA is unknown. *When selecting pesticides, avoid successive applications of materials in the same MoA group to minimize potential resistance development.* More information about this topic can be found at [www.irac-online.org](http://www.irac-online.org) and [www.frac.info](http://www.frac.info).

**Anthracnose** – Most conspicuous on canes: reddish purple spots appear on primocanes in the spring; later, centers turn gray with raised purple margins. Still later, lesions dry out, crack, and can girdle canes. Leaves, flowers, and fruit may be affected. Hosts affected: black raspberry (very susceptible), red raspberry (susceptible), blackberry (tolerant). Among blackberries, thorny blackberries are more susceptible than thornless. Erect blackberries are more susceptible than procumbent. Erect blackberry varieties listed from more resistant to moderately susceptible are Cherokee, Cheyenne, Comanche, Shawnee, Navaho, Arapaho, Choctaw, Womack, Raven, Brison, Brazos, Rosborough. For Cherokee, dormant sprays have been adequate in most plantings but cover sprays and post-harvest sprays may be used as deemed necessary. Disease control: Prompt removal and destruction of the old floricanes (maybe even primocanes in some cases) after harvest is the key to blackberry disease control. Also, destruction of nearby hosts (wild blackberries) will reduce disease pressure. All steps possible should be taken to improve air circulation within a planting, to allow faster drying of foliage and canes (e.g., weed control, removal of suckers, thinning). Timing of fungicide sprays is critical. Spray at green tip (when plants break dormancy) to the point at which no more than 3/4" green tissue has been formed. Additional applications have been recommended when primocanes are 6" tall and again at 14-day intervals through harvest.

**Spur blight** – Hosts affected: black and red raspberry. Symptoms: Brown, V-shaped lesions progressing from leaf margins. Infection spreads from leaf to cane, causing a dark chestnut brown lesion centered on the leaf node. Buds at affected nodes fail to grow or produce weak laterals. Disease control: Spur blight is only a problem in certain regions of the southeastern United States. Disease diagnosis is recommended before initiating a fungicide-based control program.

**Septoria leaf spot** – Hosts affected: blackberry; raspberries are mostly tolerant. Spots with whitish centers and brown borders on leaves and canes; infected leaves drop off. Disease control: Remove floricanes as soon as the fruiting season is complete. Sprays applied for anthracnose, Botrytis gray mold, double blossom, and fruit rots will prevent Septoria infections. Loss impact usually is relatively minor. Heavily infected plants are not as vital, produce less fruit, and may be more susceptible to cold injury. Again, the problem is generally more serious on blackberries.

**Raspberry crown borer** – Larvae overwinter in silken hibernacula on the roots and crown. In the spring, larvae leave hibernacula to bore into the roots and the crown. The cultural control of **rouging infested canes is very important. Remove and destroy infested canes whenever they are found. In blocks with a history of raspberry crown borer infestations, delayed dormant insecticide applications**, applied as-needed, provide an insecticide barrier to prevent raspberry crown borer larvae from boring into crowns as they emerge from their hibernacula.

**Fire ants** – Fire ants are a nuisance pest. Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait is labeled for use on crop land. Apply on a warm sunny day when soil moisture is good. Allow 6 to 8 weeks for control. Two applications, spring and fall, work best, but are costly.

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Delayed Dormant (swollen buds) to Green Tip (continued)*

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|--|--|--|--|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Anthracnose<br>Cane blight<br>Spur blight      | copper-based products                                    | See specific product label   | +  | See label            | See label            | Multiple copper-based materials are available, including copper hydroxide, copper sulfate, and others. Apply prior to ¾ inch shoot stage to avoid leaf burn.<br>For raspberries only: Copper can cause phytotoxicity on black raspberry cultivars if used with formulated phosphorous acid products (e.g. Aliette). It is also an occasional problem on red raspberries. <b>FRAC – MI</b>   |
|  | calcium polysulfide (Lime Sulfur)                        | See specific product label   | ++   | 48 hrs               | See label            | Apply lime-sulfur at delayed dormant, but before shoots are ¾ inch long. Lime sulfur will ‘burn’ applicators as well as the plant. Any exposed green tissue will likely be burned. A minimum of 200 gallons of diluted spray is recommended per acre. <b>Follow specific label directions for dilutions, and never use in the undiluted form.</b>   |
| Raspberry crown borer (a clearwing moth borer) | esfenvalerate (Asana XL)                                 | 9.6 fl oz  | +++  | 12 hrs               | 7 days               | Use sufficient spray volume to assure good coverage of the lower portions of canes and crowns. <b>IRAC - 3</b>  |
|  | malathion (Malathion 57EC)                               | 3 pt   | ++   | 12 hrs               | 1 day                | Use sufficient spray volume to assure good coverage of the lower portions of canes and crowns. <b>IRAC – 1B</b>   |
|  | bifenthrin (Brigade and Sniper 2EC)<br><br>Brigade 10WSB | 6.4 fl oz (soil drench)<br><br>8-16 oz (foliar)<br>16 oz (soil drench) | ++++<br><br>++++                           | 12 hrs<br><br>12 hrs | 3 days<br><br>3 days | See label for application instructions. Rogue infested canes after harvest. Foliar-applied insecticides for crown borer may be applied in July and August, targeting the egg-laying adults, eggs and the first larval stage. Thoroughly wet foliage when employing a late-summer or early-fall application. Drench applications target young larvae, and should be applied in the fall or early spring (late-dormant). Apply in at least 50 gallons of final spray solution per treated acre (use flood nozzles in a continuous band application directed to the base of the plants). <b>IRAC - 3</b> |

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|---------------------|--|---|--|------------|------------|--|
| Fire ants           | S-methoprene (Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait) | 1.0-1.5 lbs/ac<br>3-5 tbsp/<br>1000 sq ft<br>3-5 tbsp/<br>mound | ++++                                       | 4 hrs      | 0 day      | Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait (0.5% methoprene) is a slow-acting bait, do not expect visible control until 6 to 8 weeks after application. Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait is legal for use on 'crop land.' Caution, Extinguish baits with methoprene plus hydramethylnon are not labeled for use on crop land. <b>IRAC - 7A</b> |
|                     | malathion (Malathion 57EC)                           | 1.5 pt  | +  | 12 hrs     | 1 day      | Malathion is a modestly effective material for mound drenches. <b>IRAC - 1B</b>  |
|                     | spinosad (Seduce Insect Bait)                        | 20-44 lb  | ++++                                       | 4 hrs      | 1 day      | Do not make more than six applications per calendar year. Do not make applications less than 5 days apart. <b>IRAC - 5</b>   |

## Shoots 6 Inches Long and Before Blooms Open

**Orange rust** – Hosts affected: Navaho blackberry and black raspberry are very susceptible. Multiple spindly shoots that are light green in color, at first developing orange pustules on undersides of leaves only, indicate systemic infection of roots. Normal canes with orange spores indicate first-time infection. Disease control: Inspect planting thoroughly when new canes are 12-18 inches. Remove infected canes, recognized by weak growth and the presence of orange pustules. The varieties Cherokee, Cheyenne, Comanche, Choctaw (erect, thornless), Arapaho (erect, thornless), and Shawnee are considered resistant. The possibility of new races exists, as orange rust has been observed in all varieties. The varieties Darrow, Humble, and Navaho and black raspberries are susceptible. Wild blackberries should be eradicated within 0.25 mile of planting. Preventive fungicide applications are effective; however, once a plant shows symptoms, it has to be removed and destroyed.

**Leaf and cane rust** – Hosts affected: blackberry. Symptoms: floricanes uredinia with yellow spores erupting in fissures on canes and as leaf spots; primocane uredinia and aecia with yellow spores on leaves. Infected floricanes are stunted and delayed in development; can cause serious defoliation. Disease control: Remove floricanes immediately after harvest to limit primocane infection. Apply sprays at green tip and prior to bloom and resume after harvest until floricanes are removed. After floricanes removal, delay sprays until scouting indicates new infections of primocanes.

**Powdery mildew** – Hosts affected: black and red raspberries; rarely on blackberries. Light green blotches on upper leaf surface with white mycelium growth immediately beneath these blotches. In cases where infection is sparse, mottled appearance could be mistaken for virus symptoms. Disease control: This disease is usually not a problem but some western varieties are very susceptible if grown in the East. Powdery mildew fungicide treatments should begin at the first sign of disease and continue at 10-14 day intervals.

**Clipper (strawberry weevil)** – This is a small 3/16 inch (3 mm) long reddish brown weevil with bluish black wing covers. Clippers clip or sever stems just below the flower buds, leaving the clipped buds to dangle. Eggs are inserted into the dangling flower buds. Larvae develop within the buds, which typically fall to the ground. Apply insecticides when clippers and damage are present. Keep records to help refine scouting efforts and to improve the timing if preventative sprays are opted for in fields with a history of clipper injury.

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| Strawberry clipper (weevil) | malathion 57EC                | 1.5-3 pt                              | +++  | 12 hours   | 1 day      | <b>IRAC - 1B</b>                 |
|                             | carbaryl (Sevin 80WSP)        | 1.25-2.5 lbs                          | +++  | 12 hours   | 7 days     | <b>IRAC - 1A</b>                 |
|                             | bifenthrin (Brigade 2EC)      | 3.2-6.4 fl oz                         | ++++                                       | 12 hours   | 3 days     | <b>IRAC - 3</b>                  |
|                             | (Brigade 10WSB)               | 8-16 oz                               |  |            |            |                                  |
|                             | fenpropathrin (Danitol 2.4EC) | 10.66-16 fl oz                        | +++  | 24 hours   | 3 days     | <b>IRAC - 3</b>                  |

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|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|------------|---|---|
| Cane and leaf rust, orange rust, and yellow rust | myclobutanil (Rally 40WSP)                | 1.25-2.5 oz                           | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 1 day   | Rally is registered for use on blackberry and raspberry. It is also active against powdery mildew. Begin applications as early as bud break, and continue applications on a 10-14 day schedule, depending on disease(s) and disease severity. Do not apply more than 10 oz per acre per growing season. <b>FRAC - 3</b> |
|  | propiconazole (Orbit 3.6EC, Tilt 3.6EC)   | 6 fl oz                               | +++++                                      | 12 hrs     | 30 days   | When applied for Septoria leaf and cane spot control, propiconazole has been shown to have activity against rust diseases as well. <b>FRAC - 3</b>  |
|  | pyraclostrobin (Cabrio EG)                | 14 oz                                 | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days  | No more than 2 sequential applications of Cabrio should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Cabrio or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>  |
|  | azoxystrobin (Abound FL)                  | 6.2-15.4 fl oz                        | +++++                                      | 4 hrs      | 0 days  | No more than 2 sequential applications of azoxystrobin should be made before alternating with fungicides of different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of azoxystrobin or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>   |
|  | (Heritage 50W)                            | 3.2-8 ozs                             |  |            |   |   |
|  | pyraclostrobin and boscalid (Pristine WG) | 18.5-23 oz                            | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days  | No more than 2 sequential applications of Pristine should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Pristine or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11 and FRAC - 7</b>   |
| azoxystrobin + propiconazole (Quilt Xcel)        | 14-21 fl oz                               | +++++                                 | 12 hrs                                     | 30 days    | Application should begin prior to disease development and continue on a 14 day schedule. No more than 2 sequential applications of Quilt Xcel should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 3 applications of Quilt Xcel or other group 11 fungicides per season. <b>FRAC - 11 and FRAC - 3</b> |   |

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| Powdery mildew      | sulfur-based products                      | See label                             | +++  | 24 hrs     | not listed | Multiple formulations of sulfur are available. Kumulus is labeled for all brambles. Repeat at 10 day intervals as necessary. <b>FRAC - M2</b>   |
|                     | myclobutanil (Rally 40WSP)                 | 1.25-2.5 oz                           | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 1 day      | Rally is registered for use on blackberry and raspberry. It are also active against cane and leaf rust, orange rust and yellow rust. Begin applications as early as bud break, and continue applications on a 10-14 day schedule, depending on disease(s) and disease severity. Do not apply more than 10 oz per acre per season. <b>FRAC - 3</b>           |
|                     | pyraclostrobin (Cabrio EG)                 | 14 oz                                 | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of Cabrio should be made before alternating with fungicides of different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Cabrio or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>   |
|                     | azoxystrobin (Abound FL)<br>(Heritage 50W) | 6.2-15.4 fl oz<br>3.2-8 ozs           | +++++                                      | 4 hrs      | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of azoxystrobin should be made before alternating with fungicides of different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of azoxystrobin or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>   |
|                     | pyraclostrobin and boscalid (Pristine WG)  | 18.5-23 oz                            | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of Pristine should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Pristine or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11 and FRAC - 7</b>   |
|                     | azoxystrobin + propiconazole (Quilt Xcel)  | 14-21 fl oz                           | +++++                                      | 12 hrs     | 30 days    | Application should begin prior to disease development and continue on a 14 day schedule. No more than 2 sequential applications of Quilt Xcel should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 3 applications of Quilt Xcel or other group 11 fungicides per season. <b>FRAC - 11 and FRAC - 3</b> |

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| Anthracnose<br>cane blight, spur<br>blight, and leaf<br>spots | pyraclostrobin<br>(Cabrio EG)                       | 14 oz                                 | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days       | No more than 2 sequential applications of Cabrio should be made before alternating with fungicides of different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Cabrio or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>  |
|   | azoxystrobin<br>(Abound FL)<br><br>(Heritage 50W)   | 6.2-15.4 fl oz<br><br>3.2-8 ozs       | +++++                                      | 4 hrs      | 0 days       | No more than 2 sequential applications of azoxystrobin should be made before alternating with fungicides of a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of azoxystrobin or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>  |
|   | pyraclostrobin<br>and boscalid<br>(Pristine WG)     | 18.5-23 oz                            | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days       | No more than 2 sequential applications of Pristine should be made before alternating with fungicides of a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Pristine or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11 and FRAC - 7</b>   |
|   | azoxystrobin +<br>propiconazole<br>(Quilt Xcel)     | 14-21 fl oz                           | +++++                                      | 12 hrs     | 30<br>days   | Application should begin prior to disease development and continue on a 14 day schedule. No more than 2 sequential applications of Quilt Xcel should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 3 applications of Quilt Xcel or other group 11 fungicides per season. <b>FRAC - 11 and FRAC - 3</b>  |
|   | Captan<br>(Captan 80WDG<br>Captec 4L<br>Captan 50W) | See specific<br>product label         | ++   | 72 hrs     | 3 days       | See specific labels for maximum product use/season <b>FRAC - M4</b>  |
|   | copper-based<br>products                            | See specific<br>product label         | +  | See label  | See<br>label | Multiple copper-based materials are available, including copper hydroxide, copper sulfate and others. Apply prior to 3 per 4 inch shoot stage to avoid leaf burn.<br><br>For raspberries only: Copper can cause phytotoxicity on black raspberry cultivars if used with formulated phosphorous acid products (e.g. Aliette). It is also an occasional problem on red raspberries. <b>FRAC - MI</b> |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)*  
*Shoots 6 Inches Long and Before Blooms Open (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>   | <b>Management Options</b>                          | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b>   | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>  |
|-----------------------|--|---|--|------------|------------|---|
| Phytophthora root rot | mefenoxam (Ridomil Gold SL)                        | 0.25 pt/1000 linear feet in a 3 ft band | ++++                                       | 48 hrs     | 45 days    | Ridomil is labeled only for raspberries and can be applied anytime during the spring. <b>FRAC - 4</b>   |
|                       | Phosphorous acid-based products (e.g. Aliette WDG) | See specific label rates                | ++++                                       | See label  | See label  | Apply the first foliar application after bud break with at least 1-3 inches of new growth. Apply in the fall at least 30 days prior to leaf drop. When applied prior to or after copper, the pH of the phosphorous acid-based product should be raised to 6 or above. Do not use adjuvants which enhance pesticide penetration.<br><b>For raspberries only:</b> Phosphorous acid-based products can cause phytotoxicity on black raspberry cultivars and occasionally on red raspberries if used with copper products or foliar fertilizers.<br><b>For raspberries and blackberries:</b> Due to the acidic nature of phosphorous acid-based products do not use acidifying type compatibility agents. If spray adjuvants are used, test them before use to confirm compatibility. Use of these products with acidic water has been shown to cause damage in some commodities; water pH should be 6 or higher.<br><b>FRAC - 33</b> |

## Pre-Bloom (when flower buds show white)

**Flower thrips** – Flower thrips are small, cigar-shaped insects that are often quite abundant during bloom. When abundant, flower thrips can reduce fruit set and/or produce off-type seedy berries. Flower thrips may vector some plant viruses of brambles. Insecticides applied for flower thrips may be applied just before bloom or just after bloom.

**Blackberry gall midge** – This is a small fly. Females lay eggs in developing flower buds as bud scale separation begins to occur. Larval stage gall midges feed inside the developing buds, causing injury that is easily mistaken for cold injury. Fields with a history of gall midge should receive two pre-bloom insecticide applications.

**Leafrollers and leaftiers** – These are active, green caterpillars that feed on and either roll or tie together leaves. Treat if caterpillars and damage are seen.

**Tarnished plant bugs** – These are small bronze-colored bugs that resemble miniature stink bugs. Abundant plant bugs can abort blooms or cause berries to be seedy or misshapen. Treat if plant bugs are numerous, at least one plant bug per two flower clusters.

Insecticide applications for any of these pests should provide helpful control of other species if they are also present. Applications made as plants reach the white bud stage and then again just before blooms open should be effective.

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>  | <b>Management Options</b> | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>  |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|---|
| Strawberry clipper (weevil), blackberry gall midge, leafroller or leaf-tier, tarnished plant bug | bifenthrin (Brigade 2EC)  | 3.2-6.4 fl oz                         | ++++                                       | 12 hrs     | 3 days     | Bifenthrin (Brigade and generics) is an effective, long-lasting insecticide option. To protect pollinators, avoid applying bifenthrin within 5 days of anticipated first bloom. <b>IRAC - 3</b>   |
|  | (Brigade 10WSB)           | 8-16 oz                               |  |            |            |   |
|  | Numerous generics         | See labels                            |  |            |            |   |
|  | malathion 57EC            | 3 pt                                  | +++  | 12 hrs     | 1 day      | To protect pollinators, avoid malathion application within 3 days of anticipated first bloom. <b>IRAC - 1B</b>  |
| Flower thrips  | spinosad (Entrust 80WP)   | 1.25-2 oz                             | +++  | 4 hrs      | 1 day      | After Entrust dries it is of little risk to pollinators. If applied in the evening after bee foraging has stopped, Entrust may be safely applied up to first bloom. Apply as-needed the day before bloom. Entrust is a good choice for flower thrips and may be effective against gall midge and leaftiers. <b>IRAC - 5</b> |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)*  
*Pre-Bloom (when flower buds show white) (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>                                   | <b>Management Options</b>                                    | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b> |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| Flower thrips (continued)                             | spinetoram (Delegate 25WG)                                   | 3-6 oz                                | +++  | 4 hrs      | 1 day      | <b>IRAC - 5</b>                  |
|   | acetamiprid (Assail 30SG)                                    | 4.5-5.3 oz                            | +++  | 12 hrs     | 1 day      | <b>IRAC - 4A</b>                 |
| Anthracnose, cane blight, spur blight, and leaf spots | Same as <b>Shoots Six Inches Long and Before Blooms open</b> |                                       |  |            |            |                                  |
| Cane and leaf rust, orange rust, and yellow rust      | Same as <b>Shoots Six Inches Long and Before Blooms open</b> |                                       |  |            |            |                                  |

## Early Bloom (5-10%)

## Do Not Apply Insecticides During Bloom

**Botrytis gray mold** – Gray mold conidiophores and spores are gray in color and can be seen with a hand lens on flowers and ripening fruit. Hosts affected: Black and Red Raspberry (highly susceptible), Blackberry (somewhat tolerant). Disease control: Blossom blight occurs in bloom and can spread rapidly on ripening fruit (gray mold). Apply fungicides at early bloom, full bloom and pre-harvest to protect flowers and ripening fruit. Pre-harvest sprays for gray mold control are generally not required in blackberry unless weather is cool and wet.

**Rosette (double blossom)** – Hosts affected: Blackberries. A proliferation of shoots (witches-broom) forms from a single bud, usually after normal bloom time. Pistils and ovaries of most flowers are replaced with spores. Some flowers in witches-brooms develop normally. Disease control: Start sprays when rosettes are blooming and primocanes begin to grow. Clip out witches-brooms as they develop and before they flower. (Estimated labor to do this, if done regularly each year on the Shawnee variety, is 40 hr/ac.) Remove and destroy floricanes promptly after harvest. If disease pressure is very high, cut all canes to 12-18 inches after harvest, fertilize heavily, and irrigate regularly to produce an adequate crop of canes. This procedure will reduce yields somewhat. The varieties Arapaho, Apache, and Navaho (erect cultivars), and Hull, Chester, and Loch Ness (semi-erect cultivars) are very tolerant of this disease. However, Arapaho and Apache seem to be very susceptible to freeze injury (W. Miller; personal communication). Susceptible cultivars include Shawnee (100%), Choctaw (40%), Triple Crown (20%), and Black Satin (60%).

| Pest/Problem                                     | Management Options   | Amount of Formulation per Acre | Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*) | REI    | PHI    | Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)   |
|--|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Cane and leaf rust, orange rust, and yellow rust | Same as <b>Shoots Six Inches Long and Before Blooms open</b> |                                |                                     |        |        |   |
| Pest/Problem                                     | Management Options   | Amount of Formulation per Acre | Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*) | REI    | PHI    | Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)   |
| Botrytis gray mold                               | Iprodione (Rovral 4F; Nevado 4F; Iprodione 4L AG)            | 1-2 pt                         | +++                                 | 24 hrs | 0 days | Iprodione-based products should be mixed with a protectant fungicide such as captan in a minimum of 100 gallons per acre. Do not make more than 4 applications per season. Do not make more than 2 consecutive applications before switching to a chemical with a different mode of action. <b>FRAC - 2</b> |
|  | fenhexamid (Elevate 50WDG)                                   | 1.5 lb                         | +++++                               | 12 hrs | 0 days | Begin application at 10% bloom and continue through harvest. Avoid making more than two consecutive applications of Elevate before switching to a fungicide with another mode of action. Do not apply more than 6.0 lb of material per acre per year. <b>FRAC - 17</b>                                      |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)*  
*Early bloom (5-10%) (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>            | <b>Management Options</b>                               | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>   |
|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|--|
| Botrytis gray mold (continued) | pyraclostrobin and boscalid (Pristine WG)               | 18.5-23 oz                            | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of Pristine should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Pristine or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b> and <b>FRAC - 7</b>   |
|                                | cyprodinil and fludioxonil (Switch 62.5WG)              | 11-14 oz                              | +++++                                      | 12 hrs     | 0 days     | Begin application at early bloom and continue on a 7-10 day interval. Do not exceed 56 oz of product per acre per year. Make no more than two sequential applications before using a fungicide with another mode of action. <b>FRAC - 9</b> and <b>FRAC - 12</b>   |
|                                | Captan 80WDG  | 2.5 lb                                | ++   | 72 hrs     | 3 days     | Do not apply more than 12.5 lb per acre per season. <b>FRAC - M4</b>   |
|                                | Captec 4L   | 0.75-1 qts                            | ++   | 72 hrs     | 3 days     | Do not apply more than 10 lb per acre per season.  |
|                                | Captan 50W  | 4 lb                                  | ++   | 72 hrs     | 3 days     | Do not apply more than 20 lb per acre per season.  |
| Rosette (Double blossom)       | Bordeaux mixture 4-4-50 (see note below for directions) | See note                              | +++  | 24 hrs     | 1 day      | Bordeaux mixture will cause leaf burn if applied on hot days or combined with insecticides.  |
|                                | azoxystrobin (Abound FL) (Heritage 50W)                 | 6.2-15.4 fl oz<br>3.2-8 ozs           | +++++                                      | 4 hrs      | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of azoxystrobin should be made before alternating with fungicides of a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of azoxystrobin or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>  |
|                                | pyraclostrobin and boscalid (Pristine WG)               | 18.5-23 oz                            | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of Pristine should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Do not apply more than 4 applications of Pristine or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b> and <b>FRAC - 7</b>  |
|                                | azoxystrobin + propiconazole (Quilt Xcel)               | 14-21 fl oz                           | +++++                                      | 12 hrs     | 30 days    | Application should begin prior to disease development and continue on a 14 day schedule. No more than 2 sequential applications of Quilt Xcel should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 3 applications of Quilt Xcel or other group 11 fungicides per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b> and <b>FRAC - 3</b> |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)*  
*Early bloom (5-10%) (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>                                   | <b>Management Options</b>                           | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>  |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|---|
| Rosette (Double blossom)<br>(continued)               | cyprodinil and fludioxonil<br>(Switch 62.5WG)       | 11-14 oz                              | +++++                                      | 12 hrs     | 0 days     | Begin application at early bloom and continue on a 7-10 day interval. Do not exceed 56 oz of product/acre/year. Make no more than two sequential applications before using a fungicide with another mode of action.<br><b>FRAC - 9 and FRAC - 12</b>  |
| Anthracnose, cane blight, spur blight, and leaf spots | pyraclostrobin<br>(Cabrio EG)                       | 14 oz                                 | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of Cabrio should be made before alternating with fungicides of a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Cabrio or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>   |
|   | azoxystrobin<br>(Abound FL)<br>(Heritage 50W)       | 6.2-15.4 fl oz<br>3.2-8 ozs           | +++++                                      | 4 hrs      | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of azoxystrobin should be made before alternating with fungicides of different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of azoxystrobin or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>   |
|   | Pyraclostrobin and boscalid<br>(Pristine WG)        | 18.5-23 oz                            | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of Pristine should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Pristine or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11 and FRAC - 7</b>   |
|   | azoxystrobin + propiconazole<br>(Quilt Xcel)        | 14-21 fl oz                           | +++++                                      | 12 hrs     | 30 days    | Application should begin prior to disease development and continue on a 14 day schedule. No more than 2 sequential applications of Quilt Xcel should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 3 applications of Quilt Xcel or other group 11 fungicides per season. <b>FRAC - 11 and FRAC - 3</b> |
|   | Captan<br>(Captan 80WDG<br>Captec 4L<br>Captan 50W) | See specific product label            | ++   | 72 hrs     | 3 days     | See specific labels for maximum product use/season. <b>FRAC - M4</b>  |
| Powdery mildew  | Same as <b>Shoot 6 inches long</b> stage            |                                       |  |            |            |   |

**Bordeaux recipe** – **1.** Fill spray tank to one-half the desired volume of water. **2.** Turn on the agitator. **3.** Dissolve powdered bluestone (copper sulfate) in the spray tank at a rate of 4 lb bluestone/ 50 gallons water. **4.** Make a “milk of lime” suspension by dissolving 4 lb of hydrated lime (calcium hydroxide) in 5 gallons of water in a container, for a rate of 4 lb hydrated lime/ 50 gallons water. **5.** Slowly add the “milk of lime” suspension into the spray tank. **6.** Fill the spray tank to the desired volume of water. **7.** Maintain constant agitation and apply immediately. Do not mix with Topsin-M or Sevin. Bordeaux mixture will cause severe leaf burn if applied on very hot days or if combined with insecticides. Slight phytotoxicity will have relatively minor impact.

**Full Bloom** **Do Not Apply Insecticides During Bloom**

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>                                   | <b>Management Options</b>                      | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>  |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|---|
| Rosette (Double blossom)                              | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>             |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| Botrytis gray mold                                    | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>             |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| Anthracnose, cane blight, spur blight, and leaf spots | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>             |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| Cane and leaf rust, orange rust, and yellow rust      | Same as <b>Shoot 6 inches long stage</b>       |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| <b>Pest/Problem</b>                                   | <b>Management Options</b>                      | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>  |
| Powdery mildew  | myclobutanil (Nova 40W Rally 40W; Rally 40WSP) | 1.25-2.5 oz                           | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 1 day      | Nova and Rally are registered for use on blackberry and raspberry. They are also active against cane and leaf rust, orange rust and yellow rust. Begin applications as early as bud break, and continue applications on a 10-14 day schedule, depending on disease(s) and disease severity. Do not apply more than 10 oz per acre per growing season. <b>FRAC - 3</b> |
|   | pyraclostrobin (Cabrio EG)                     | 14 oz                                 | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of Cabrio should be made before alternating with fungicides of different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Cabrio or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>   |
|   | azoxystrobin (Abound FL) (Heritage 50W)        | 6.2-15.4 fl oz<br>3.2-8 ozs           | +++++                                      | 4 hrs      | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of azoxystrobin should be made before alternating with fungicides of a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of azoxystrobin or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - 11</b>   |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)  
Full bloom*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>        | <b>Management Options</b>                 | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>  |
|----------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|---|
| Powdery mildew (continued) | azoxystrobin + propiconazole (Quilt Xcel) | 14-21 fl oz                           | +++++                                      | 12 hrs     | 30 days    | Application should begin prior to disease development and continue on a 14 day schedule. No more than 2 sequential applications of Quilt Xcel should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 3 applications of Quilt Xcel or other group 11 fungicides per season. <b>FRAC – 11 and FRAC - 3</b> |
|                            | pyraclostrobin and boscalid (Pristine WG) | 18.5-23 oz                            | +++++                                      | 24 hrs     | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of Pristine should be made before alternating with fungicides of a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Pristine or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC – 11 and FRAC - 7</b>  |

## Petal Fall

**Tarnished plant bugs and stink bugs** – Tarnished plant bugs are small, 1/4 inch long, insects that resemble miniature stink bugs. They are mottled yellow brown in color. Stink bugs of several species are occasional pests of brambles. Stink bugs are medium to large, shield-shaped insects. Both plant bugs and stink bugs have piercing and sucking mouthparts. They feed on the flower buds and developing fruits of many plant species. If abundant, plant bugs or stink bugs can cause poor fruit set or misshapen, deformed or excessively seedy berries.

**Red necked cane borer** – The red necked cane borer is a 1/4 inch long beetle with a black head and wing covers, and a reddish thorax. Adults are typically present in brambles from May until June. Larval stage red necked cane borers tunnel within canes in a spiral fashion, producing 3” long swollen, galled areas. Galled canes should be rouged out and destroyed whenever they are found. Insecticide applications are only effective on the adults. In blocks with a history of red necked cane borer injury, scout for adults in May. Application of insecticides at petal fall and again in 10 to 14 days typically provides good control of red necked cane borer. Keep records to help refine pest management efforts in subsequent years.

| Pest/Problem                                  | Management Options          | Amount of Formulation per Acre | Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*) | REI    | PHI    | Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)  |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--|
| Flower thrips, plant bugs, stink bugs, aphids | esfenvalerate (Asana XL)    | 4.8-9.6 fl oz                  | +++                                 | 12 hrs | 7 days | <b>IRAC - 3</b>  |
| Flower thrips only                            | imidacloprid (Admire Pro)   | 7-14 fl oz                     | +++                                 | 12 hrs | 7 day  | This is a soil application. <b>IRAC - 4A</b>                                     |
|   | (acetamiprid) (Assail 30SG) | 4.5-5.3 oz                     | +++                                 | 12 hrs | 1 day  | <b>IRAC - 4A</b>   |
| Strawberry clipper, red necked cane borer     | bifenthrin (Brigade 2EC)    | 3.2-6.4 fl oz                  | ++++                                | 12 hrs | 3 days | <b>IRAC - 3</b>  |
|   | (Brigade 10WSB)             | 8-16 oz                        |                                     |        |        |  |
|   | Numerous generics           | See labels                     |                                     |        |        |  |
|   | malathion 57EC              | 3 pt                           | +++                                 | 12 hrs | 1 day  | <b>IRAC - 1B</b>   |
| Aphids only                                   | acetamiprid (Assail 30SG)   | 2.5-5.3 oz                     | +++                                 | 12 hrs | 1 day  | <b>IRAC - 4A</b>   |
|   | thiamethoxam (Actara 25WG)  | 2-3 oz                         | +++                                 | 12 hrs | 3 days | <b>IRAC - 4A</b>   |
|   | imidacloprid (Admire Pro)   | 7-14 fl oz                     | +++                                 | 12 hrs | 7 day  | Do not apply pre-bloom or at bloom. This is a soil application. <b>IRAC - 4A</b> |
|   | insecticidal soap (M-Pede)  | 2% solution                    | ++                                  | 12 hrs | 0 days |  |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)  
Petal Fall (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>                                   | <b>Management Options</b>                | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/TRAC Code)</b> |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|----------------------------------|
| Botrytis gray mold                                    | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>       |                                       |  |            |            |                                  |
| Anthracnose, cane blight, spur blight, and leaf spots | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>       |                                       |  |            |            |                                  |
| Cane and leaf rust, orange rust, and yellow rust      | Same as <b>Shoot 6 inches long</b> stage |                                       |  |            |            |                                  |
| Powdery mildew  | Same as <b>Full Bloom</b> stage          |                                       |  |            |            |                                  |
| Rosette (Double blossom)                              | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>       |                                       |  |            |            |                                  |

## Cover Sprays

**Blackberry psyllid** – This is a tiny, cicada-like insect. Psyllid injury is similar to that caused by heavy aphid infestations. New growth can be severely malformed and misshapen. Blackberry psyllid overwinters on conifers such as pine, red cedar or white cedar. Avoidance is an excellent management tool. Blackberries one mile or more from conifers seldom have psyllid infestations. If possible, avoid planting brambles within 250 yards of conifers. Timing varies with geography and site, but psyllids often move from conifers to brambles from early- to mid-April. Foliar distortion is seen within 7 to 10 days. Spray when psyllids and injury are first observed, and note the date and stage of development in your field to begin developing a personalized IPM calendar for your bramble production.

**Japanese beetles** – Japanese beetles are large beetles with metallic green wing covers, coppery undersides and a series of white tufts along the outside of the abdomen. Japanese beetles are gregarious foliage and fruit feeders. They can be overwhelmingly abundant following drought-breaking rains, which promote large, synchronous emergences of adults. Defoliation is of modest concern until perhaps 10% of the leaf area has been consumed. However, the difficulty of controlling large numbers of beetles favors controlling Japanese beetles before they become too abundant. Multiple insecticide applications, applied at 3 to 7 day intervals, may be required when Japanese beetles are abundant.

**Spider mites** – Spider mites are often pests of caneberries. They are favored by hot, dry weather. Spider mites are small, spider-like relatives of insects. Spider mites feed, normally on the underside of leaves, by puncturing leaves with needle-like stylets; this wounding process releases cellular fluids which the mite consumes. Feeding produces clear or whitish stippling. If mites are very abundant, leaves may take on a bronze to silvered appearance. Spider mites will often spin webbing on the underside of leaves when they are very abundant. Mite injury is cumulative; mites can be quite injurious if untreated.

**Fire ants** – These can be nuisance pests in vineyards. **Optimal fire ant control programs for fruit make use of spring and fall broadcast bait applications.** Twice-a-year bait applications may be best in year-one of a program to thoroughly suppress the ant population. In subsequent years, a single bait application 8 to 10 weeks before harvest may provide adequate ant control. Ant baits work best when soil is moist, but not wet. Active ant foraging is essential. Ideally, temperatures should be warm and sunny. Avoid application of ant baits when conditions are expected to be cold, overcast, rainy or very hot. **Treatment of individual mounds is often a necessary complement to broadcast bait use if the goal is to obtain even short-term elimination of fire ants.** Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait and Seduce are very effective, but slow acting options (8-10 weeks for colony elimination). Mound drenches with malathion (REI 12 hrs/PHI 24 hrs), or foliar application of malathion to get ants off of the plants immediately pre-harvest, should be modestly effective. Individual mound treatments with curative materials that promptly kill ants may be more cost-effective than using baits. Insecticide mound drenches are most effective when 1 to 2 gallons of dilute material are slowly applied per mound. Do not disturb mounds or place bait directly on top of mounds.

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)  
Cover Sprays (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>   | <b>Management Options</b>                | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>  |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|---|
| Botrytis gray mold  | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>       |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| Anthracnose, cane blight, spur blight, and leaf spots   | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>       |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| Cane and leaf rust, orange rust, and yellow rust  | Same as <b>Shoot 6 inches long</b> stage |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| Powdery mildew  | Same as <b>Full Bloom</b> stage          |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| Rosette (Double blossom)  | Same as <b>Full Bloom</b> stage          |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| Botrytis gray mold  | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>       |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| Rosette (Double blossom)  | Same as <b>Full Bloom</b> stage          |                                       |  |            |            |   |
| Strawberry clipper, red necked cane borer, blackberry psyllid, Japanese beetles, and stink bugs | malathion 57EC                           | 1.5-3 pt                              | +++  | 12 hrs     | 1 day      | <b>IRAC - 1B</b>  |
|   | carbaryl (Sevin 80WSP)                   | 1.25-2.5 lb                           | +++  | 12 hrs     | 7 days     | <b>IRAC - 1A</b>  |
| Stink bugs  | bifenthrin (Brigade 2EC)                 | 3.2-6.4 fl oz                         | ++++                                       | 12 hrs     | 3 days     | Bifenthrin is a good stink bug material. Bifenthrin is a pyrethroid, use with caution, as mite numbers are very inclined to rebound after use of any pyrethroid.<br><b>IRAC - 3</b> |
|   | Brigade 10WSB)                           | 8-16 oz                               |  |            |            |   |
|   | Numerous generics                        | See label                             |  |            |            |   |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)  
Cover Sprays (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b> | <b>Management Options</b>  | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>  |
|---------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|---|
| Mites               | hexythiazox (Savey 50DF)   | 4-6 oz                                | +++++                                      | 12 hrs     | 3 days     | Savey is best used on low mite populations that are building or as a preventative. Savey is a preventative miticide that primarily controls eggs, it has a long residual, but it is slow acting. Allow 10 days to see a clear reduction in mite numbers. <b>IRAC - 3</b>  |
|                     | light, summer-weight horticultural oils (Saf-T-Cide, Ultra Fine Spray Oil) | 1.5-2 % by volume                     | ++   | 4 hrs      | 0 days     | Summer oils are effective in moderating low mite populations pre-harvest.<br><br>DO NOT apply Captan in combination with or immediately before or closely following oil sprays. Do not allow oil sprays on adjacent crops to drift onto crops which have been or will shortly be treated with Captan. The time factor governing the safe interval between Captan and oil sprays varies due to general climatic conditions.<br><br>DO NOT use oils within 14 days of using any sulfur containing material because of potential for fruit finish or phytotoxicity issues. |
|                     | bifenazate (Acramite 50WS)   | 0.75-1.0 lb                           | +++++                                      | 12 hours   | 1 day      | Acramite targets eggs, larvae, and adults. <b>IRAC - UN</b>   |

## Pre-Harvest (14 days before anticipated first harvest)

**SAP BEETLES**, sometimes called picnic beetles, are strongly attracted to ripening fruit. Sanitation, in the form of conscientiously picking all ripe fruit on a daily basis, is the most important management option for controlling sap beetles. Bait buckets filled with overripe fruit may be used on the perimeter of fields to attract sap beetles and other ripe fruit pests. If several days of rain preclude picking, it may be necessary to send laborers into fields in advance of pick-your-own customers to remove overripe fruit. In these salvage situations; an application of pyrethrum-containing products may also be required.

| Pest/Problem                    | Management Options                                  | Amount of Formulation per Acre | Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*) | REI    | PHI    | Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)   |
|---------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|---|
| Japanese beetles,<br>Stink bugs | carbaryl<br>(Sevin 80WSP)                           | 1.25-2.5 lbs                   | ++++                                | 12 hrs | 7 days | <b>IRAC - 1A</b>  |
|                                 | bifenthrin<br>(Brigade 2EC)                         | 3.2-6.4 fl oz                  | ++++                                | 12 hrs | 3 days | <b>IRAC - 3</b>   |
|                                 | (Brigade 10WSB)                                     | 8-16 oz                        |                                     |        |        |   |
|                                 | malathion 57EC                                      | 2-4 pt                         | +++                                 | 12 hrs | 1 day  | <b>IRAC - 1B</b>  |
|                                 | azadirachtin<br>(Neemix)<br>+ neem oil<br>(Trilogy) | 7-16 fl oz<br>+ 2% solution    | +++                                 | 4 hrs  | 0 days | <b>IRAC - 18B</b>   |
| Sap beetles                     | Bait Buckets  |                                | +++                                 |        |        | Sap beetles: Bait buckets, and prompt removal of overripe fruit, should be used to provide cultural suppression to augment as-needed insecticide. Place overripe fruit in bucket around the perimeter of fields to attract sap beetles. Dispose of baits outside of fields.                                   |
| Mites                           | hexythiazox<br>(Savey 50DF)                         | 4 - 6 oz                       | +++++                               | 12 hrs | 3 days | Savey is a poor option by late season, as it most useful as an early-season preventative material, or to moderate mite populations that are building. It is primarily an ovicide; it has a long residual, but it is slow acting. Allow 10 days to see a clear reduction in mite numbers.<br><b>IRAC - 10B</b> |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)*  
*Pre\_Harvest (14 days before anticipated first harvest) (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>                                  | <b>Management Options</b>  | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>   |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|--|
| Mites (continued)                                    | bifenazate (Acramite 50WS)   | 0.75-1.0 lb                           | +++++                                      | 12 hours   | 1 day      | Acramite targets eggs, larvae, and adults. <b>IRAC - 25</b>  |
|  | Light, Summer-Weight Horticultural Oils (Saf-T-Cide, Ultra Fine Spray Oil) | 1.5-2 % by volume                     | ++   | 4 hrs      | 0 days     | Summer oils may be of some use in moderating low mite populations pre-harvest. DO NOT use oils within 14 days of any sulfur containing material because of potential for fruit finish or phytotoxicity issues. |
| Botrytis gray mold                                   | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>   |                                       |  |            |            |  |
| Anthracnose cane blight, Spur blight, and leaf spots | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>   |                                       |  |            |            |  |
| Cane and leaf rust, orange rust, and yellow rust     | Same as <b>Shoot 6 inches long</b> stage                                   |                                       |  |            |            |  |
| Powdery mildew                                       | Same as <b>Full Bloom</b> stage  |                                       |  |            |            |  |
| Rosette (Double blossom)                             | Same as <b>Full Bloom</b> stage  |                                       |  |            |            |  |

## Harvest

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Botrytis gray mold  | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>        |
| Anthraco-nose<br>cane blight, spur<br>blight, and leaf<br>spots | Same as <b>Early Bloom (5-10%)</b>        |
| Cane and leaf rust,<br>orange rust, and<br>yellow rust          | Same as <b>Shoot 6 inches long</b> stage  |
| Powdery mildew  | Same as <b>Full Bloom</b> stage           |
| Rosette (Double<br>blossom)                                     | Same as <b>Full Bloom</b> stage           |
| Phytophthora root<br>rot  | Same as <b>Shoots 6 inches long</b> stage |

## After-Harvest (after fruit has been harvested)

**Cane blight** – Cane blight can be a major disease of blackberry in the Southeast, resulting in severe losses – sometimes resulting in the complete destruction of fruiting canes in any given year. It is generally not reported in other states as a major disease of blackberries, except when winter injury occurs on thornless blackberries, and most of the reports are associated with raspberry. However, wet, humid conditions observed in Georgia and other southeastern states allow for significant losses following pruning or other injuries to the primocane. Avoid wounding the primocanes whenever possible. However, pruning is necessary for blackberry production, so wounding will occur through pruning operations. Pruning wounds are the primary site of infection, especially following prolonged rains, such as those observed in tropical storms and hurricanes. Rainfall or overhead irrigation will disperse fungal spores to fresh wound sites and create favorable conditions for infection. Always check the weather forecast before pruning operations. If at all possible, prune when at least four days of dry weather is expected. During the summer, “pinch off” or “tip” tender primocanes when they reach 3-4 feet in height, as opposed to cutting. Practices which promote quick drying of the canopy will help to decrease infection. A weed-free strip under the canopy will also aid drying and air movement. Strobilurin fungicides (Pristine, Cabrio, Abound) should be applied after pruning each day to provide a protective barrier on the wound site until healing can occur. See <http://www.smallfruits.org/bramble/pestinformation/caneblightfactsheetii.pdf> for additional information.

**Orange felt (orange cane blotch)** – Orange felt is especially prevalent on blackberries grown in very hot, wet, and humid environments, such as those encountered in much of the Coastal Plain areas of the Southeast. Where colony formation (i.e. the degree of coverage of the cane) is limited, it has been stated that this alga does not limit blackberry production. However, although research trials have not been conducted to determine the effects of this algal species in Georgia, we are currently recommending that producers utilize control methods. Where ideal environmental conditions occur, this alga may girdle canes or exacerbate other cane diseases, causing subsequent decline and death. Practices which promote quick drying of the canopy will help to decrease infection. A weed-free strip under the canopy will also aid in drying and air movement. Where producers have bedded and installed black plastic and drip-tape irrigation systems, orange felt has been reduced substantially. Avoid stressing plants, making sure that all nutrient and water requirements are met. Soil and tissue samples allow for accurate fertilization and pH assessments. Avoid planting in poorly drained sites. Copper sprays should also help to prevent spread. Many copper products are registered for control of a multitude of blackberry diseases, using relatively high rates for late dormant and fall applications and lower rates for times in which succulent tissue is present (read all labels for specific directions). See <http://www.smallfruits.org/bramble/pestinformation/orangefelt.pdf> for additional information.

| <b>Pest/Problem</b> | <b>Management Options</b>                     | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>   |
|---------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|--|
| Leaf spots          | Captan<br>(Captan 80WDG,<br>Captan 50W)       | See specific<br>label rates           | ++   | 72 hrs     | 3 days     | See label for maximum product/acre/season.<br><b>FRAC - M4</b>   |
|                     | propiconazole<br>(Orbit 3.6EC,<br>Tilt 3.6EC) | 6 fl oz                               | ++++                                       | 12 hrs     | 30 days    | When applied for Septoria leaf and cane spot control,<br>propiconazole has been shown to have activity<br>against rust diseases as well. <b>FRAC - 3</b> |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)  
After Harvest (after fruit has been harvested) (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>    | <b>Management Options</b>                 | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>  |
|------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|------------|------------|---|
| Leaf spots (continued) | pyraclostrobin (Cabrio EG)                | 14 oz                                 | ++++                                       | 24 hrs     | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of Cabrio should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Cabrio or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - II</b>  |
|                        | azoxystrobin (Abound FL) (Heritage 50W)   | 6.2-15.4 fl oz<br>3.2-8 ozs           | ++++                                       | 4 hrs      | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of azoxystrobin should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of azoxystrobin or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - II</b>  |
|                        | azoxystrobin + propiconazole (Quilt Xcel) | 14-21 fl oz                           | +++++                                      | 12 hrs     | 30 days    | Application should begin prior to disease development and continue on a 14 day schedule. No more than 2 sequential applications of Quilt Xcel should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 3 applications of Quilt Xcel or other group 11 fungicides per season. <b>FRAC - II and FRAC 3</b> |
|                        | Pyraclostrobin and boscalid (Pristine WG) | 18.5-23 oz                            | ++++                                       | 24 hrs     | 0 days     | No more than 2 sequential applications of Pristine should be made before alternating with fungicides that have a different mode of action. Make no more than 4 applications of Pristine or other strobilurins per season. <b>FRAC - II and FRAC 7</b>   |
| Orange cane blotch     | copper-based products                     | See label                             | +  | 24 hrs     | See label  | Multiple copper-based materials are available, including copper hydroxide, copper sulfate and others. Apply prior to ¾ inch shoot stage to avoid leaf burn.<br><b>For raspberries only:</b> Copper can cause phytotoxicity on black raspberry and occasionally on red raspberries if used with phosphorous acids.<br><b>FRAC - MI</b>                     |
| Cane blight            | See information box above.                |                                       |  |            |            |   |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)  
After Harvest (after fruit has been harvested) (continued)*

| <b>Pest/Problem</b>   | <b>Management Options</b>                             | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b>                       | <b>Effectiveness (+) or Importance (*)</b> | <b>REI</b> | <b>PHI</b> | <b>Comments (FRAC/IRAC Code)</b>   |
|-----------------------|---|---|--|------------|------------|--|
| Fire ants             | S-methoprene (Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait ) | 1.0-1.5 lb<br>3-5 tbsp/<br>1000 sq ft<br>3-5 tbsp/<br>mound | ++++                                       | 4 hrs      | 0 days     | Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait (0.5% methoprene) is a slow-acting bait, do not expect visible control until 6 to 8 weeks after application. Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait is legal for use on 'crop land.' Caution, Extinguish baits with methoprene plus hydramethylnon are not labeled for use on crop land. <b>IRAC - 7A</b>   |
|                       | malathion 57EC  | 1.5 pt  | +  | 12 hrs     | 1 day      | Malathion is a modestly effective material for mound drenches. <b>IRAC - 1B</b>  |
|                       | spinosad (Seduce Insect Bait)                         | 20-44 lb  | ++++                                       | 4 hrs      | 1 day      | Do not make more than six applications per calendar year. Do not make applications less than 5 days apart. <b>IRAC - 5</b>   |
| Raspberry crown borer | bifenthrin (Brigade and Sniper 2EC)                   | 6.4 fl oz (soil drench)                                     | ++++                                       | 12 hrs     | 3 days     | See label for application instructions. Rogue infested canes after harvest. Foliar-applied insecticides for crown borer may be applied in July and August, targeting the egg-laying adults, eggs and the first larval stage. Thoroughly wet foliage when employing a late-summer or early-fall application. Drench applications target young larvae, and should be applied in the fall or early spring (late-dormant). <b>IRAC - 3</b> |
| Red-necked cane borer | Brigade 10WSB   | 8-16 oz (foliar)<br>16 oz (soil drench)                     | ++++                                       | 12 hrs     | 3 days     |  |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)*  
*Seasonal 'at a glance' Fungicide Spray Schedule Options for Brambles*

**Seasonal 'at a glance' fungicide spray schedule options for brambles**

| Developmental Stage                      | Delayed Dormant   | Shoots 6" long till Pre-Bloom   | Early bloom (5-10%)  | Full Bloom <sup>a</sup>  | Petal Fall   | Cover Sprays  | Pre-Harvest  | Harvest  | After Harvest   |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Disease</b><br>(Registered fungicide) | <b>Anthracnose, Spur Blight, Cane Blight</b><br>(Lime Sulfur or Copper) | <b>Anthracnose, Cane Blight, Spur Blight, and Leaf Spots</b><br>(Copper, Cabrio, Abound, Pristine, and Captan)<br><br><b>Rusts</b> (Nova, Rally, Abound, Cabrio, Pristine, Orbit, Tilt)<br><br><b>Powdery Mildew</b><br>(Sulfur, Nova, Rally, Cabrio, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Phytophthora Root Rot</b><br>(Ridomil, phosphorous acid-based products) | <b>Botrytis</b> (Rovral, Nevado, Iprodione, Elevate, Switch, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rosette</b> (Switch, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Powdery Mildew</b><br>(Nova, Rally, Cabrio, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rusts</b> (Nova, Rally, Abound, Cabrio, Pristine, Orbit, Tilt)<br><br><b>Anthracnose, Cane Blight, Spur Blight, and Leaf Spots</b><br>(Cabrio, Abound, Pristine, and Captan) | <b>Botrytis</b> (Rovral, Nevado, Iprodione, Elevate, Switch, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rosette</b> (Switch, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Powdery Mildew</b><br>(Nova, Rally, Cabrio, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rusts</b> (Nova, Rally, Abound, Cabrio, Pristine, Orbit, Tilt)<br><br><b>Anthracnose, Cane Blight, Spur Blight, and Leaf Spots</b><br>(Cabrio, Abound, Pristine, and Captan) | <b>Botrytis</b> (Rovral, Nevado, Iprodione, Elevate, Switch, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rosette</b> (Switch, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Powdery Mildew</b><br>(Nova, Rally, Cabrio, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rusts</b> (Nova, Rally, Abound, Cabrio, Pristine, Orbit, Tilt)<br><br><b>Anthracnose, Cane Blight, Spur Blight, and Leaf Spots</b><br>(Cabrio, Abound, Pristine, and Captan) | <b>Botrytis</b> (Rovral, Nevado, Iprodione, Elevate, Switch, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rosette</b> (Switch, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Powdery Mildew</b><br>(Nova, Rally, Cabrio, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rusts</b> (Nova, Rally, Abound, Cabrio, Pristine)<br><br><b>Anthracnose, Cane Blight, Spur Blight, and Leaf Spots</b><br>(Cabrio, Abound, Pristine, and Captan) | <b>Botrytis</b> (Rovral, Nevado, Iprodione, Elevate, Switch, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rosette</b> (Switch, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Powdery Mildew</b><br>(Nova, Rally, Cabrio, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rusts</b> (Nova, Rally, Abound, Cabrio, Pristine, Orbit, Tilt)<br><br><b>Anthracnose, Cane Blight, Spur Blight, and Leaf Spots</b><br>(Cabrio, Abound, Pristine, and Captan) | <b>Botrytis</b> (Rovral, Nevado, Iprodione, Elevate, Switch, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rosette</b> (Switch, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Powdery Mildew</b><br>(Nova, Rally, Cabrio, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rusts</b> (Nova, Rally, Abound, Cabrio, Pristine, Orbit, Tilt)<br><br><b>Anthracnose, Cane Blight, Spur Blight, and Leaf Spots</b><br>(Cabrio, Abound, Pristine, and Captan)<br><br><b>Cane Blight (see notes)</b> | <b>Phytophthora Root Rot</b><br>(Ridomil, phosphorous acid-based products)<br><br><b>Cane Blight</b> (see notes)<br><br><b>Orange Cane Blotch</b> (Copper; see notes and labels)<br><br><b>Powdery Mildew</b><br>(Nova, Rally, Cabrio, Abound, Pristine)<br><br><b>Rusts</b> (Nova, Rally, Abound, Cabrio, Pristine, Orbit, Tilt)<br><br><b>Leaf Spots</b><br>(Captan, Orbit, Tilt) |

<sup>a</sup>Bramble bloom periods are protracted, so bloom and cover spray can be difficult to define clearly. Do not exceed label rates or spray intervals, but make sure that the pathogens indicated above are addressed with a thorough fungicide program as defined by the variety.

**Fungicide classes with high risk of resistance development (generally single site of action)**

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Anilinopyrimidines (FRAC code 9)   | Switch (cyprodinil; one component of a two-part mixture)   |
| Carboximides (FRAC code 7)   | Pristine (boscalid; one component of a two-part mixture)   |
| Sterol Demethylation Inhibitors (DMIs) or Sterol Biosynthesis Inhibitors (FRAC code 3) | Nova and Rally (myclobutanil)<br>Orbit and Tilt (propiconazole)  |
| Dicarboximides (FRAC code 2)   | Rovral (iprodione)   |
| Hydroxyanilides (FRAC code 17)   | Elevate (fenhexamid)   |
| Phenylamides (FRAC code 4)   | Ridomil Gold (mefanoxam)   |
| PhenylPyrroles (FRAC code 12)  | Switch (fludioxonil; one component of a two-part mixture)  |
| Strobilurins or QoIs (Quinone outside inhibitors; FRAC code 11)                        | Abound, Heritage (azoxystrobin)<br>Pristine (pyraclostrobin; one component of a two-part mixture)<br>Cabrio (pyraclostrobin) |

**Fungicide classes with low risk of resistance development (generally multiple sites of action)**

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Several Classes | Captan (Captan; FRAC code M4)<br>Coppers (numerous formulations; FRAC code M1)<br>Sulfurs (numerous formulations; FRAC code M2) |
|-----------------|---|

### Seasonal 'at a glance' insecticide spray schedule options for brambles

| Developmental Stage                                     | Delayed Dormant   | Shoots 6" long   | Pre-Bloom  | Petal Fall  | Cover Sprays   | Pre-Harvest   | After Harvest   |
|---|---|--|--|---|--|---|---|
| <b>Insects Controlled</b><br>(Insecticides & Miticides) | <b>Raspberry Crown Borer</b><br>(Asana, Brigade, Malathion)<br><br><b>Fire Ants</b><br>(Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait, Seduce Insect Bait, Malathion) | <b>Strawberry Clipper</b> (Brigade, Sevin, Malathion, Danitol) | <b>Strawberry Clipper</b><br>(Brigade, Malathion)<br><br><b>Flower Thrips</b><br>(Entrust, Delegate, Assail) | <b>Flower Thrips, Tarnished Plant Bug, Stink Bugs</b><br>(Asana)<br><br><b>Strawberry Clipper, Red Necked Cane Borer</b> (Brigade, Malathion) | <b>Strawberry Clipper, Red Necked Cane Borer, Blackberry Psyllid, Japanese Beetle, Stink bugs</b><br>(Malathion, Sevin)<br><br><b>Stink Bugs</b><br>(Brigade)<br><br><b>Spider Mites</b><br>(Savey, Acramite, Light Summer Oils) | <b>Japanese Beetle, Stink Bug</b> (Sevin, Brigade, Malathion, Neemix + Trilogy)<br><br><b>Sap Beetle</b><br>(Bait Buckets)<br><br><b>Spider Mites</b><br>(Savey, Acramite, Light Summer Oils) | <b>Red necked cane borer, Raspberry crown borer</b><br>(Brigade)<br><br><b>Fire ants</b><br>(Extinguish Professional Fire Ant Bait, Seduce Insect Bait) |

**Insect and mite management** – The pest management options recommended in this guide should provide a reliable template for planning and carrying out IPM tactics. It is by no means definitive and will certainly need to be modified and fine tuned to fit pest patterns and pressures on your farm. Insect and mite pests of brambles vary considerably in their significance from year to year, from one block to the next, and certainly within the southeastern states. As experience dictates, gradually modify your farm IPM plan, determining which sprays are essential and which should be reserved for as-needed use. Cultural practices such as roguing out borer-infested canes, destroying wild brambles near cultivated fields or planting brambles away from conifers will lower pest pressures. Insecticides and miticides are toxins. They should be used with caution, with strict adherence to pesticide label cautions. Develop a bramble insect and mite plan of action well before the season begins. Study the seasonality of pest pressures and make plans for monitoring to assure seeing pests before they become damaging. Study the strengths and weaknesses of each insecticide or miticide. In general, the organophosphate malathion is a good broad spectrum insecticide, which should seldom promote flare-ups of secondary pests such as mites. The carbamate carbaryl (Sevin) is also a reliable broad spectrum insecticide, and it is a safe material to use. Carbaryl use sometimes encourages mite problems. The pyrethroid insecticides esfenvalerate (Asana) and bifenthrin (Brigade) are also broad spectrum materials. Pyrethroids are quite prone to developing resistance problems. Pyrethroids are especially good against caterpillars, and they are generally good against plant bugs and stink bugs.

# Weed Management

## Herbicide Resistance Management

The development of herbicide resistant weed species has increased significantly across the Southeast during the past few years. Lately weed resistance to glyphosate has been the most common resistance development which is largely related to the widespread planting of glyphosate resistant crops. The utilization of herbicides have differing modes of action (MOA) during the growing season or tank mixing herbicides with differing MOA are strategies that can be utilized to prevent the development of herbicide resistant weeds. As a means to assist growers with identifying herbicides having like MOA a number system identifying herbicides by MOA has been developed and is being utilized. In the table below there is a MOA number for each herbicide active ingredient to aide growers in making management decisions that will prevent the development of herbicide resistance or address options for managing a known resistant weed population that may be in or near the fruit planting.

Additionally growers are encouraged to find at least two herbicide programs containing different herbicides to rotate on an annual basis. By rotating herbicide programs growers not only minimize the risk of herbicide resistance developing but minimize the likelihood of selecting for weeds that one herbicide program may not effectively control.

## Blackberry and Raspberry Herbicides

| Weed/Timing  | Material  | Amount of Formulation per Acre             | Crop Age Restrictions  | REI (hrs) | Comments   |
|--|---|--|--|-----------|--|
| <b>PREPLANT/ SITE PREPARATION</b>                                      | <b>Glyphosate, MOA 9</b><br>Various formulations and brands | <b>See label for rate</b> (1 to 2 lb ai/A) | Apply 30 days prior to planting  | 12        | Use to kill strips through vineyard prior to planting. Generic formulations may require the addition of a surfactant. See label for details on controlling specific perennial weeds. |
| <b>PREEMERGENCE</b><br>Annual grasses and small seeded broadleaf weeds | <b>Napropamide, MOA 15</b><br>Devrinol 50 WDG               | 8 lb                                       | Newly planted (once soil has settled after transplanting) and established plantings. | 12        | Soil surface should be free of weeds and plant residue. Rainfall or overhead irrigation within 1 to 2 days of application is needed for activation.                                  |
|  | <b>Oryzalin, MOA 3</b><br>Surflan 4 AS or Oryzalin 4 AS     | 2 to 4 qt                                  | Newly planted (once soil has settled after transplanting) and established plantings. | 12        | Oryzalin may be tank mixed with paraquat for postemergence weed control. In established plantings tank mix with simazine for broad spectrum residual weed control.                   |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)*  
*Weed Management (continued)*

| <b>Weed/Timing</b>   | <b>Material</b>   | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Crop Age Restrictions</b>   | <b>REI (hrs)</b> | <b>Comments</b>  |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|------------------|--|
| <b>PREEMERGENCE</b><br>Annual grasses and small seeded broadleaf weeds (continued) | <b>Norflurazon, MOA 12</b><br>Solicam 80 DF   | 1.25 to 5 lb                          | Plantings established at least 1 year or more.   | 12               | Apply to dormant blackberry and raspberry. Tank mix with paraquat for control of emerged weeds. Residual control is expanded when Solicam is tank mixed with simazine. <b>Do not apply within 60 days of harvest. In areas prone to soil movement injury to ground cover planted in the row middles can occur.</b>   |
| <b>PREEMERGENCE</b><br>Broadleaf weeds   | <b>Isoxaben, MOA 21</b><br>Gallery  | 0.66 to 1.33 lb                       | Newly planted or non-bearing plantings.  | 12               | Apply in at least 10 gallons per acre. Tank mix with oryzalin for broad spectrum residual control.   |
| <b>PREEMERGENCE</b><br>Annual weeds and some perennial weeds                       | <b>Dichlobenil, MOA 20</b><br>Casoron 4G<br><br>Casoron CS                              | 100 lb<br><br>1.4 to 2.8 gal          | Plantings established at least one year.   | 12               | Apply in January or February for best results. Warm temperatures increase volatilization therefore overhead irrigation may be use for activation when applied in early spring. The liquid formulation can be applied when high temperatures are 70 F or less. Best results is achieved when applied to moist soil followed by overhead irrigation. <b>DO NOT</b> apply when shoot emergence is occurring. Liquid formulation may be tank mixed with other registered herbicides. |
| <b>PREEMERGENCE</b><br>Broadleaf weeds and some annual grasses                     | <b>Simazine, MOA 5</b><br>Princep 4 L or Princep Cal 90 or various generic formulations | 2 to 4 qt<br>2.2 to 4.4 lb            | Newly planted (use half rate and apply once soil has settled after transplanting) and established plantings. | 12               | Tank mix with paraquat for postemergence weed control. The addition of oryzalin (Surflan) or norflurazon (Solicam) with simazine will extend residual grass control several weeks. Rate is soil texture dependent. <b>DO NOT</b> apply after fruit set.  |
|  | <b>Terbacil, MOA 5</b><br>Sinbar 80 WP  | 1 to 2 lb                             | Plantings established 1 year or more.  | 12               | Apply as directed spray in early fall or spring before fruit set. Do not contact foliage. <b>Do not apply within 70 days of harvest.</b> Do not use loamy sand or sandy soils. Do not use on soils having less than 1 % organic matter. When tank mixed with paraquat Sinbar will provide postemergence control of 1 to 2" tall horseweed.   |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)*  
*Weed Management (continued)*

| <b>Weed/Timing</b>   | <b>Material</b>   | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b>                                     | <b>Crop Age Restrictions</b>   | <b>REI (hrs)</b> | <b>Comments</b>  |
|--|---|---|--|------------------|--|
| <b>POSTEMERGENCE</b><br>Non-selective control  | <b>Glyphosate, MOA 9</b><br>Various formulations and brands       | <b>Read product label for application rate</b><br>(0.75 to 1.0 lb a.i./A) | Plantings established 1 year or more.  | 12               | <b>EXTREME care must be taken to avoid glyphosate contact with the crop to prevent death or injury.</b> Brambles are least susceptible to injury when dormant or in early spring. Applications during bloom and through fall are likely to be more injurious if poorly done. Apply as a directed, shielded spray to the base of crop. Wiper applications may be used as well. <b>Do not apply within 14 days of harvest.</b> Some generic formulations require additional surfactant. <b>Roundup WeatherMax is not registered on raspberries.</b>  |
|  | <b>Paraquat, MOA 22</b><br>Firestorm 3 SL<br><br>Gramoxone Inteon | 1.3 to 2.7 pt<br><br>2.0 to 4.0   | Newly planted (shielded) and established plantings                                       | 12               | Do not allow herbicide to contact desirable foliage or green canes. Young plants must be shielded. The addition of a non-ionic surfactant at 0.25 % v/v (1qt per 100 gal. of spray solution) is necessary for adequate control. Tank mix with preemergence herbicides for residual control. <b>DO NOT</b> make more than 5 applications per year.  |
| <b>POSTEMERGENCE</b><br><b>Selected broadleaf weeds like pigweed, morningglory, lambsquarter, purslane, nightshade, tropical spiderwort, and smartweed</b> | <b>Carfentrazone, MOA 14</b><br>Aim 2EC                           | 0.8 to 2.0 oz<br><br>6.4 oz (for primocane suppression)                   | Newly planted (must use shielded/hooded application equipment) and established plantings | 12               | Aim may be tank mixed with other herbicides registered in caneberries. Do not allow spray solution to contact desirable vegetation, flowers/bloom, or fruit. Every precaution should be taken to avoid herbicide injury related to herbicide drift. Use rate should not exceed 25 oz/A per year and there must be at least a 14 day interval between applications. The addition of a non-ionic surfactant at 0.25% v/v (1 qt/100 gal. of spray solution) or crop oil concentrate at 1 to 2% v/v (1 to 2 gal/100 gal of spray solution) is necessary for optimum herbicide performance. Aim has a 15 day PHI. |

*Blackberry and Raspberry (continued)*  
*Weed Management (continued)*

| <b>Weed/Timing</b>                                   | <b>Material</b>   | <b>Amount of Formulation per Acre</b> | <b>Crop Age Restrictions</b>            | <b>REI (hrs)</b> | <b>Comments</b>  |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|---|------------------|--|
| <b>POSTEMERGENCE</b><br>Annual and perennial grasses | <b>Clethodim, MOA 1</b><br>Select 2EC or Intensity 2EC or Select Max or Intensity One | 6 to 8 oz<br><br>12 to 16 oz          | Newly planted or non-bearing plantings  | 12               | Low rates are for annual grass weeds. High rates and sequential applications are for perennial grasses (bermudagrass or johnsongrass). The addition of a non-ionic surfactant at 0.25 % v/v (1 qt/100 gal. of spray solution) is required.   |
|  | <b>Fluazifop, MOA 1</b><br>Fusilade DX  | 12 to 24 oz                           | Newly planted and non-bearing plantings | 12               | Sequential applications will be necessary for perennial grass control. The addition of a non-ionic surfactant (1 qt/100 gal of water) or crop oil concentrate (1 gal./100 gal. of water) is necessary.   |
|  | <b>Sethoxydim, MOA 1</b><br>Poast   | 1 to 2.5 pt                           | Newly planted and established plantings | 12               | Sequential applications will be necessary for perennial grass control. The addition of a non-ionic surfactant (1 qt/100 gal of water) or crop oil concentrate (1 gal/100 gal. of water) is necessary. <b>Do not apply within 50 days of harvest.</b> Total use can not exceed 5 pt/A per |

## Suggested Herbicide Programs (Blackberry and Raspberry)

| Crop Age   | Fall                  | Winter                        | Spring   | Summer  |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|
| Newly Planted  | Glyphosate (preplant) |                               | Oryzalin (Once soil settles after transplanting)   | Oryzalin + Paraquat (May or June); Fusilade, or Poast, or Select (as needed).             |
|  | Glyphosate (preplant) |                               | Simazine (half rate) + Oryzalin  | Paraquat or Aim (multiple applications as needed); Fusilade, Poast, or Select (as needed) |
|  | Glyphosate (preplant) |                               | Devrinol (Once soil settles after transplanting, irrigation or rainfall needed for activation within 24 hrs of application.) | Paraquat or Aim (multiple applications as needed); Fusilade, Poast, or Select (as needed) |
|  | Glyphosate (preplant) |                               | Gallery + Oryzalin   | Paraquat or Aim (multiple applications as needed); Fusilade, Poast, or Select (as needed) |
| Blackberry and Raspberry Established 1 or more years             | Simazine + Paraquat   |                               | Sinbar + Paraquat  | Paraquat or Aim (multiple applications as needed); Poast (as needed)                      |
|  |                       | Simazine + Solicam + Paraquat |  | Paraquat or Aim (multiple applications as needed); Poast (as needed)                      |
|  | Sinbar + Paraquat     |                               | Simazine + Surflan + Paraquat  | Paraquat or Aim (multiple applications as needed); Poast (as needed)                      |
| Blackberry and Raspberry Established 1 or more years (continued) | Paraquat              | Casoron                       |  | Paraquat or Aim (multiple applications as needed); Poast (as needed)                      |

## Weed Response to Blackberry and Raspberry Herbicides

| Herbicides           | Annual Grasses |          |            |               |                  | Annual Broadleaf Weeds |      |           |                    |                   |        |           |               |                     |             |         |              |         |               |           | Perennial Weeds |              |           |              |                  |                  |  |
|----------------------|----------------|----------|------------|---------------|------------------|------------------------|------|-----------|--------------------|-------------------|--------|-----------|---------------|---------------------|-------------|---------|--------------|---------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|------------------|------------------|--|
|                      | Crabgrass      | Foxtails | Goosegrass | Panicum, Fall | Ryegrass, Annual | Chickweed              | Dock | Galinsoga | Geranium, Carolina | Groundsel, Common | Henbit | Horseweed | Lambsquarters | Mornigglory, Annual | Nightshades | Pigweed | Radish, Wild | Ragweed | Sida, Prickly | Smartweed | Spotted Spurge  | Bermudagrass | Dandelion | Johnsongrass | Nutsedge, Yellow | Virginia Creeper |  |
| <b>Preemergence</b>  |                |          |            |               |                  |                        |      |           |                    |                   |        |           |               |                     |             |         |              |         |               |           |                 |              |           |              |                  |                  |  |
| Casoron              | G              | G        | G          | G             | G                | G                      | G    | F         | G                  | G                 | G      | G         | G             | F                   | F           | G       | G            | G       |               | G         | G               | N            | G         |              | N                | N                |  |
| Chateau              | E              | E        | E          | G             | G                | E                      |      | G         | G                  |                   | E      | G         | E             | E                   | E           | E       | G            | G       | E             | G         | E               | N            | G         |              | N                | N                |  |
| Diuron               | G              | G        | G          | F             | G                | G                      |      | G         | F                  |                   | G      | G         | G             | G                   | G           | G       | G            | G       | G             | G         | N               | N            | N         |              | N                | N                |  |
| Gallery              | N              | N        | N          | N             | N                | E                      | F    | G         | G                  | G                 | E      | G         | E             | F                   | E           | E       | E            | E       | G             | G         | G               | N            | G         | N            | N                | N                |  |
| Oryzalin             | E              | E        | E          | G             | G                | G                      | N    | N         |                    | F                 | F      |           | E             | F                   | P           | E       | P            | P       | P             | P         | F               | N            | P         |              | N                | N                |  |
| Simazine             | F              | G        | G          | F             | G                | G                      |      | G         | F                  | F                 | G      | G         | E             | F                   | G           | G       | E            | G       | F             | G         | P               | N            | P         |              | N                | N                |  |
| Sinbar               | G              | G        | G          | G             | G                | E                      | G    | G         | G                  | G                 | G      | E         | E             | G                   | G           | G       | G            | G       | G             | G         | E               | P            | F         | P            | F                | N                |  |
| Solicam              | E              | E        | E          | E             | G                | E                      |      | G         |                    | F                 | G      | G         | F             | F                   | G           | P       | G            | G       | E             | G         | F               | P            | G         |              | P                | N                |  |
| <b>Postemergence</b> |                |          |            |               |                  |                        |      |           |                    |                   |        |           |               |                     |             |         |              |         |               |           |                 |              |           |              |                  |                  |  |
| Aim                  | N              | N        | N          | N             | N                |                        |      |           |                    |                   |        | P         | G             | E                   | G           | G       | F            |         |               | G         |                 | N            | N         | N            | N                | N                |  |
| Clethodim            | E              | E        | E          | E             | E                | N                      | N    | N         | N                  | N                 | N      | N         | N             | N                   | N           | N       | N            | N       | N             | N         | N               | E            | N         | G            | N                | N                |  |
| Fusilade             | G              | G        | G          | G             | G                | N                      | N    | N         | N                  | N                 | N      | N         | N             | N                   | N           | N       | N            | N       | N             | N         | N               | E            | N         | G            | N                | N                |  |
| Glyphosate           | E              | E        | E          | E             | E                | E                      | G    | G         | G                  | E                 | F      | E         | E             | G                   | E           | E       | G            | E       | G             | F         | G               | F            | G         | G            | F                | G                |  |
| Paraquat             | G              | G        | G          | G             | G                | G                      |      | G         | F                  | F                 | F      | P         | G             | G                   | G           | G       | F            | G       | G             | G         | G               | P            | P         | P            | P                | P                |  |
| Poast                | E              | E        | E          | E             | G                | N                      | F    | N         | N                  | N                 | N      | N         | N             | N                   | N           | N       | N            | N       | N             | N         | N               | E            | N         | G            | N                | N                |  |

E = excellent, G = good, F = fair, P = poor, N = no activity

## **Managing Wild Blackberry in Non-Cropland Areas Near Commercial Caneberry Plantings**

Blackberry is a native species throughout the United States and thrives in non-cropland areas like ditch banks, abandoned fields, fence rows, field borders or cutover timber areas. Wild blackberries adjacent to commercial caneberry plantings need to be controlled because they are host plants for viral diseases vectored by insects and nematodes that can limit the commercial viability of a commercial caneberry planting. In addition to viral diseases, blackberries harbor fungal diseases like orange rust. Several herbicides effectively control wild blackberry however **EXTREME** caution must be taken to prevent drift, movement, or contact with the commercial planting. Failure to do so will result in severe crop damage or death. The two most available and effective herbicide options are glyphosate and triclopyr amine (Garlon 3A). Prior to using these products applicators must read and follow all label directions and restrictions.

### **Glyphosate (Various Brands and formulations).**

Glyphosate is non-selective and will kill grass weeds as well as broadleaf and woody perennial plants. Blackberry is most susceptible when treated in late summer and fall with a 1.5% solution (2 fl. oz. of glyphosate per gallon of spray solution). Applications as late as Thanksgiving have been effective (90% control) in western North Carolina.

### **Triclopyr (Garlon 3A).**

Wild blackberries can be controlled with Garlon 3A when applied to blackberries in the spring after leaves have fully expanded through late summer (mid September). The use rate for Garlon 3A as a spot spray is a 1% solution (1.3 fl. oz. of Garlon 3A per gallon of spray solution). Triclopyr will not control grass weeds. It is effective on multiple species of woody perennial plants and vines including grapes. There are multiple herbicides that contain triclopyr some of which contain other herbicides like 2,4-D ester that are prone to volatilize and increases the likelihood of herbicide movement onto desirable plants. These products should not be used around commercial blackberry plantings. **DO NOT** use triclopyr near water used for irrigation or along ditch banks that drain into irrigation water reservoirs. Application equipment should be cleaned thoroughly using ammonia water before using the sprayer around other plants. Broadleaf crops (grapes, blackberry, blueberry, soybeans, cotton, clover, and vegetables) are very sensitive to triclopyr so extreme care must be taken to avoid herbicide movement if these plants are being grown in close proximity to the application area.

## **Blackberry Dormex Use to Enhance Fruit Ripening and Yield of Certain Cultivars (Georgia Label)**

### **For Use Only in the State of Georgia**

- Response:** If properly used, Dormex can stimulate more rapid and uniform bud break of marginally high chilling blackberry cultivars such as 'Apache' and 'Navaho' in South Georgia. Other high chilling cultivars have not been tested and should only be treated on a trial basis. A yield increase was also observed in 2002-2003 after a high chilling winter, probably due to improved bud break in the low part of the canopy.
- Material:** Dormex-50% hydrogen cyanamide
- Timing: Note:** Timing of Dormex applications is extremely important in order to achieve the desired response and avoid plant injury. Apply during the dormant season after significant winter chilling has been received, but before obvious bud swell. Application at least 35 days before normal bud break is recommended. Generally late January has been a good application period, but plants must be examined for their stage of development. If obvious bud swell has occurred, chemical injury to the buds is highly possible.
- Rate of Material:** Apply 3% Dormex with 0.5% non-ionic surfactant in 50 gallons of water per acre. This rate is 1.5 gallons of Dormex plus one quart of non-ionic surfactant in 50 gallons of water.
- Remarks:**
1. Dormex is a toxic material and registered for application only with closed cab tractors. Before use read all Dormex label sections carefully.
  2. Do not consume alcoholic beverages prior to, during, and following (24 hours) handling the product. Do not enter or allow entry into treated areas during the restricted entry interval (REI) of 72 hours.
  3. Dormex is highly corrosive to equipment. Clean up thoroughly after application.
  4. Avoid drift. Dormex may be toxic to green plants such as winter vegetable crops, shrubs, pets, cattle, etc. Use a spray pressure of 50 psi to reduce drift.
  5. Apply during dry weather, when temperatures are moderate (neither freezing nor hot). Make application at least 24 hours before expected rainfall.
  6. Dormex may advance bud break and flowering by several days, slightly increasing the risk of freeze damage.
  7. Moderate chilling cultivars such as 'Kiowa' and 'Arapaho' will probably need Dormex only in very low chilling winters (less than 500 hours).
  8. Do not apply within 14 days of an oil spray or 30 days of copper fungicide.

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