



Winter Linseed Bulletin

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Crops across the country are in relatively fine order given the long winter. The week of mild sunny weather in April has helped crop growth. Across the country crops are at different growth stages, depending on how harsh a winter they have had. Most crops have now received a first spilt of Nitrogen and Fungicide/PGR application. Crops are now in stem extension and growers need to be thinking about the second PGR timing and nitrogen timing.

CANOPY MANAGEMENT AND PGR STRATEGY

Crops are growing rapidly, PGR applications are a priority over herbicides, where no PGR has been applied in the spring. Crops that have already received a PGR in the form of Metconazole (Caramba, Juventus or Sungorg pro) and are growing rapidly are now heading for the Toprex timing. Toprex carries a strong PGR ability, do not tank mix herbicides with this product. The final application window for Toprex is Green Bud stage. Toprex has several restrictions for following crops (see product label).

Timing	Product	Rate	Water Volume	Typical Height
May	Toprex	0.30l/ha	100-200l/ha	30-35cm

NITROGEN PLANNING

Most crops have now received their first split of Nitrogen. Subtract this figure from the total of 120kg/ha to calculate the remaining Nitrogen to be applied. **This should be applied at Green Bud Stage or very early flowering. DO NOT APPLY IN MID STEM EXTENSION.** Linseed will not translocate Nitrogen from the stem or leaves to the seed capsules, so applying the final dose too early will in drive stem extension, increase lodging risk and not benefit yield.

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Pictures of the month



Linseed crops in Peterborough– entering green bud stage

CONTACTS

If in doubt, consult your agronomist on any of these points.

Our agronomist Hannah Foxall is also happy to take your calls on questions or queries you might have.

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