

Glyphosate use on barley

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Recently the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) has approved a permit that allows the use of glyphosate on barley (except malting barley) from 2nd November 2016.

The permit is restricted to two Nufarm glyphosate products:

1. Weedmaster DST
2. Weedmaster Agro

Under the permit only one application of glyphosate can be made to the crop and a seven-day withholding period applied until harvesting can begin.

Broadbent Grain barley receivals

For the coming harvest season the receival process for barley has been modified to reflect the recent APVMA permit changes. This aims to protect market access for all customers.

The modified process will be in place for all barley loads as of **1st December 2016**.

Malting barley varieties which have not had glyphosate applied remain eligible for malting classification.

Barley sprayed with glyphosate will automatically be classified as F1.

The classification process for each load of barley will be as follows;

1. As part of the classification process for each load of barley, the classifier will ask if glyphosate has been applied.
2. Growers will need to sign a declaration stating glyphosate has not been applied. If the grower or carrier does not know, the result will be F1.
3. Individual grower load samples will be kept for all malting barley deliveries and residue testing will be undertaken.
4. If a malting variety such as Westminster, has had glyphosate applied, the highest classification for that load will be F1
5. Growers who deliver chemical contaminated grain into a malt segregation may be liable for losses and damage resulting from the breach.

Broadbent Grain will not segregate glyphosate treated barley separately. Barley which has been treated with glyphosate will be stored within the existing F1 segregations.

To avoid unnecessary delays at grain receival sites, growers are asked to ensure that your employees, agents or contractors responsible for the delivery of grain are advised of the treatment status of barley loads.

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Related Links:

APVMA Permit <http://permits.apvma.gov.au/PER82594.PDF>
Broadbent Grain website <http://broadbentgrain.com.au/>