



***Weed Control Timing is NOW in Many Fields - Brian Hall, OMAFRA Canola Specialist***  
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Weeds which emerge with the crop are growing quickly and are the greatest yield robbers.

There is a 10% yield loss by spraying at the 5 leaf versus the 1-2 leaf stage on average. Canola can develop a new leaf every 2-4 days.

Research has shown that contact herbicides such as Liberty 200SN, are most effective when applied during the heat of the day (noon – 6pm). In Liberty Link canola, for improved control of wild oats consider the need for a post emergent grass herbicide. Heavy wild oat infestations may require separate application.

In Roundup ready Canola it is important to follow the labelled rate of glyphosate. Canola is less tolerant to higher rates than soybeans, and may result in injury. Because of the different formulations of glyphosate, be certain to check the label for the correct rate. Apply up to 6 leaf stage of canola. The low rate is adequate in many situations and provides the option for a second application for later flushes of weeds emerging after the initial application or for improved control of perennial weeds like Canada thistle or Quackgrass. Wait 10-14 days before making a second application.