

KDA Advises Wheat Growers to Monitor Fungicide Applications

The Kansas Department of Agriculture's Pesticide and Fertilizer program works to help the Kansas agricultural community to manage appropriate use of products which control pests or enhance plant growth. Kansas wheat growers rely upon fungicide with tebuconazole as the active ingredient in their efforts to resist head blight and various rust diseases. It is critical for growers to monitor the directed spray solution per acre requirement (4 oz. per 5 gal. of water per acre), as improper application can result in less head coverage than is necessary for effective disease control.

In addition, wheat growers using products with tebuconazole must be firm in following the 30-day pre-harvest interval, waiting the full interval from the date of application to the date of harvest, to avoid encountering residue problems at harvest time.

For more information about appropriate use of this and other fungicides, please contact the KDA's Pesticide and Fertilizer program at 785-564-6688 or visit the website at agriculture.ks.gov/pesticide-fertilizer. The KDA serves Kansas farmers, ranchers and agribusinesses and helps to ensure a safe food supply and promote public health and safety