



# KCMS GRAPE REPORT

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## NIAGARA WEATHER FORECAST

| FRI<br>6  | SAT<br>7  | SUN<br>8  | MON<br>9  | TUES<br>10  | WED<br>11   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Isolated Showers  | Sun and Clouds  | Cloudy with Showers   | Cloudy Periods  | Cloudy Periods  | Sun and Clouds  |
| High: 15°C<br>Low: 7°C<br>POP: 60%<br>Rain: 1 mm                                  | High: 15°C<br>Low: 8°C<br>POP: 30%<br>Rain: 1 mm                                  | High: 14°C<br>Low: 8°C<br>POP: 60%<br>Rain: 1 mm                                  | High: 15°C<br>Low: 7°C<br>POP: 10%<br>Rain: -                                     | High: 16°C<br>Low: 9°C<br>POP: 20%<br>Rain: -                                       | High: 13°C<br>Low: 9°C<br>POP: 40%<br>Rain: 5 mm                                    |

SOURCE – The Weather Network (<http://www.theweathernetwork.com>)

**Grapes:** We are approaching the bud swell/woolly bud stage of development at most sites. **There is no need for any fungicides or insecticides at this time.** Phomopsis, black rot and powdery mildew are not likely to be an issue until 3-5 leaves are present and easily visible. We are not expected to reach this growth stage at most locations until mid-May.

Once the first leaves appear, **Erineum mite (EM)** can begin feeding especially if you have experienced problems with this sporadic pest in the past. The use of a sulphur spray when green tissue is easily visible will help in suppressing this pest. A second application may be necessary 10 – 14 days after the first for chronic problem locations. This is not a recommendation for a general spray but is site and cultivar specific.

At this stage of development **most buds are hardy to around minus 2 to minus 3°C.** When buds break and green tissue appears, this new growth will be injured if temperatures drop below 0°C. The long term forecast looks good with no freezing temperatures expected for the next 10 days however when leaves begin to unfold watch closely for any freezing temperatures.

There have been some areas affected by significant bud and vine injury this winter and we are anticipating some degree of trunk damage as a result. In blocks where 50% or more primary bud damage has been estimated, it would be advisable to keep a few suckers this year to re-establish new trunks. We expect to see **crown gall** develop in vineyards with significant trunk damage.

Now is a good time to get your **weed control program** underway and to take care of those problem perennial weeds. Remember that application of materials containing glyphosate must be applied prior to the appearance of new green tissue on the grape vines. Also beware that young canes/trunks may also be injured if these products soak into the young wood.

Preemergent herbicides require some precipitation after application to increase efficacy, so watch the forecast for optimal timing. Preemergent herbicides registered for use on grapes include; Chateau, Princep/Simazine, Karmex, Frontier and Devrinol. Remember to check all labels for restrictions regarding young, non-bearing blocks.

## ***New Products or Expanded Labels for 2011 GRAPES***

| <b>Product Name</b>                              | <b>Chemical Family</b>                                  | <b>Labelled Pest &amp; Crop</b> | <b>Rates &amp; Comments</b>   |
|--|---|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>Microthiol</b><br>Sulphur 80%                 | Inorganic   | Powdery Mildew & Erineum Mites  | Can be used anywhere Kumulus DF was used.<br>Same rates as Kumulus since the % of sulphur in each product are identical.<br><br>1 day PHI / 24 hour REI   |
| <b>Quintec</b><br>Quinoxifen                     | Quinolines<br><br>New fungicide group for North America | Powdery Mildew                  | <u>Rate:</u><br>480 mL/ha<br><br>Quintec penetrates into the plant and redistribution occurs through local vapour movement.<br><br>Provides no black rot control.<br><br>14 day PHI / 12 hour REI |
| <b>Clutch</b><br>Clothianidin                    | Neonicotinoid   | Leafhoppers & Phylloxera        | <u>Rates:</u><br>140 g/ha (Leafhoppers)<br>140-210 g/ha (Phylloxera)<br><br>1 day PHI / 12 hour REI   |
| <b>Vivando SC</b><br>Metrafenone                 | Phosphonate<br><br>New fungicide group for grapes       | Powdery Mildew                  | <u>Rate:</u><br>750 mL/ha<br><br>Provides no black rot control.<br><br>14 day PHI / 12 hour REI (for most activities)   |
| <b>Entrust 80 W</b><br>Spinosad<br><br>-Organic- | Naturalyte / Spinosyns                                  | Grape Berry Moth (Suppression)  | <u>Rate:</u> 109 g/ha<br><br>Timing is targeted at egg hatch<br><br>7 day PHI / 7 day REI   |

| Product Name  | Chemical Family   | Labelled Pest & Crop                                    | Rates & Comments   |
|---|---|---|--|
| <b>Assail 70 WP</b><br>Acetamiprid                        | Neonicotinoids  | Japanese Beetle<br><br>Grape Phylloxera                 | <u>Rate:</u> 80 g/ha<br><br><u>Rate:</u> 80 g/ha<br><br>7 day PHI / 12 hour REI  |
| <b>Manzate 200 WP</b><br>Mancozeb 80%                     | Dithiocarbamate   | Downy Mildew  | <u>Rate:</u> 6.75 kg/ha<br><br>Surface protectant material. No systemic activity.<br><br>30 day PHI  |
| <b>Presidio</b><br>Fluopicolide                           | Benzamides<br><br>New fungicide group for North America | Downy Mildew  | <u>Rate:</u> 220-292 mL/ha<br><br>Use when sufficient leaf area is present to effectively absorb the product<br><br>14 day PHI / 12 hour REI (for most activities)   |
| <b>Inspire</b><br>Difenoconazole                          | DMI<br><br>Same chemical family as Nova                 | Powdery Mildew  | <u>Rate:</u> 292 mL/ha<br><br>Use when sufficient leaf area is present to effectively absorb the product.<br><b>May provide some control of Black Rot</b><br><br>7 day PHI / 2 days REI (for most activities)  |
| <b>Spray Oil 13 E</b><br>Mineral oil 99%<br><br>-Organic- | Organic   | Powdery Mildew (Suppression)<br><br>Mites (Suppression) | <u>Rate:</u> 1% solution (10L/1000L of water)<br><br>Incompatible with other fungicides including; Captan/Maestro, Folpet, Karathane, Sulphur & Pounce. Caution use with Copper. Be aware of time necessary between oil applications and use of above products<br><br>14 day PHI / 12 hour REI |

## **KCMS PEST RISK NOTES Week of May 6, 2011**

*The above chart is a summary of observed pest activity and projections of activity over the next 7 days. These are general observations and should not replace site specific scouting to determine if a particular pest should require control. The authors assume neither liability for the information nor its use.*

| <b>PEST</b>                           | <b>RISK LEVEL</b> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
|                                       |                   |
| <b>DISEASES</b>                       |                   |
| Phomopsis (PH)                        | Low               |
| Powdery Mildew (PM)                   | Low               |
| Downy Mildew (DM)                     | Low               |
| Black Rot (BR)                        | Low               |
| Botrytis Bunch Rot (Bot.)             | Low               |
|                                       |                   |
| <b>INSECTS</b>                        |                   |
| Spring Feeding Caterpillars (SFC)     | Low               |
| Grape Berry Moth (GBM)                | Low               |
| Potato Leafhopper (PLH)               | Low               |
| Grape Leafhopper (GLH)                | Low               |
| Phylloxera (Phyl.)                    | Low               |
| Japanese Beetle (JB)                  | Low               |
| Multicoloured Asian Ladybeetle (MALB) | Low               |
|                                       |                   |
| <b>MITES</b>                          |                   |
| European Red Mite (ERM)               | Low               |
| Erineum Mite (EM)                     | Low               |