

How to best apply Luna[®] Experience and Serenade[®] Prime in bananas*.



For best practice disease control in bananas, remember:

1 Removal of diseased leaves.

De-leafing is the basis of good banana disease management, and it is critical for fungicide resistance management to reduce inoculum levels regularly. It also ensures that Luna Experience fungicide products are not applied to heavily diseased leaves.

2 Always with oil.

Our trials show significantly better results are achieved when Luna Experience and Serenade Prime are applied with oil. We recommend a robust rate of a good quality oil, registered for use in bananas (e.g. Socoa BioPest[®] at 3.5-5 L/ha).

3 Never apply back-to-back (consecutive) sprays of Luna Experience.

Each spray of Luna Experience should be separated by a minimum of 3 applications of a fungicide from alternative fungicide activity groups. This means there should be an interval of at least 8-10 weeks between any two applications of Luna Experience.

4 No-spray windows.

No application of Luna Experience or another Group 7 fungicide should be made between June and September (inclusive).

5 Respray with the full rate of a true fungicide, registered for the control of yellow Sigatoka, within 14-21 days of any application of Luna Experience.

It is important to ensure that effective alternate fungicide chemistry is applied before a generation cycle of the disease passes.

6 Resistance management.

Refer regularly to Croplife Australia resistance management strategies as they may change.

Month	Week	Product/Activity
September	39	De-leafing (if required)
October	40	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
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	42	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
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November	44	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
	45	De-leafing
	46	LUNA EXPERIENCE + OIL
	47	
	48	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
December	49	
	50	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
	51	
	52	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
January	1	De-leafing
	2	LUNA EXPERIENCE + OIL
	3	
	4	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
	5	
February	6	DMI + OIL
	7	
	8	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
	9	De-leafing
March	10	LUNA EXPERIENCE + OIL
	11	
	12	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
April	13	
	14	DMI + OIL
	15	
	16	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
	17	De-leafing
May	18	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
	19	
	20	LUNA EXPERIENCE + OIL
	21	
June	22	SCALA [®] + OIL
	23	
	24	SCALA [®] + OIL
	25	
July	26	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
	27	
	28	SCALA [®] + OIL
	29	De-leafing
	30	SCALA [®] + OIL
August	31	
	32	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
	33	
	34	SERENADE PRIME + OIL
September	35	
	36	SCALA [®] + OIL
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	38	SCALA [®] + OIL

