The Most Effective Products for Preventing Boxwood Blight, caused by Cylindrocladium buxicola (= Calonectria pseudonaviculata)

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The products listed below were the most effective chemistries for preventing boxwood blight during 2012 and 2013 field trials conducted at NC State University, MHCREC in Mills River, NC

			Can this be used			rate per	
Trade name	Company	Active ingredient(s)	on boxwood in NC?	FRAC ¹	Sites ²	100 gallons	Application interval based on label recommendations
Daconil Weatherstik	Syngenta	Chlorothalonil	Yes	M5	G ^a , N, L ^b	1.375 pints	Every 7-14 days ^c
Spectro 90WDG	Nufarm	Chlorothalonil + Thiophanate methyl	Yes	M5 + 1	G, N, L	1.5 lb	Every 7-14 days not to exceed 50.6 lb per acre per season
Concert II	Syngenta	Chlorothalonil + Propiconazole	Cylindrocladium nor boxwood on label	M5 + 3	N, L ^b	35.0 fl oz	Every 14 days ^d
Torque	Nufarm	Tebuconazole	Yes	3	N, L	10.0 fl oz	Every 14 days; 3 applications maximum
Tourney 50WDG	Valent	Metconazole	Cylindrocladium nor boxwood on label	3	N, L	4.0 oz	Every 14-28 days; not to exceed 4.0 lb per acre per season
Medallion WDG	Syngenta	Fludioxonil	Yes	12	G, N, L	4.0 oz	Every 7-14 days

Key to Fungicide Groups: 1: methyl benzimidazole carbamates; 3: demethylation inhibitors; 11: quinone outside inhibitors; 12: phenylpyrroles; M: multi-site activity.

The superscripts below are comments written within the labels that may be of importance:

Note: Recommendations for the use of agricultural chemicals are included here as a convenience to the reader. The use of brand names and mention or listing of commercial products does not imply endorsement nor discrimination against similar products or services not mentioned. Individuals who use agricultural chemicals are responsible for ensuring that the intended use complies with current STATE regulations and conforms to the product label. Examine a current product label before applying any chemical. For assistance, contact your county Cooperative Extension agent.



Figure above: The Spectro treatment (center block of 6 plants) was one of the most effective chemistries during our May/June 2013 trial.

² Product labeled for use in G = greenhouse; N = nursery; L = landscape.

^a = Do NOT apply with mist blowers or high pressure spray equipment in greenhouses.

b = Do NOT apply to landscapes associated with apartment buildings, daycare centers, playgrounds, schools, athletic fields, etc...

^c = Do NOT combine in the spray tank with other pesticides or fertilizers unless tested first.

^d = Do NOT use with mistblowers or high pressure spray equipment.