

Buy next year's Nitrogen for \$3.50/ha! .. and grab an extra \$480/ha bonus

PONDERING the economics of spray topping for \$5 - \$7/ha? Worry no more, as 4Farmers has the answer to your problem.

For the first time, 4Farmers is able to offer grass selective herbicides that are cheaper than spray topping with the more usual Glyphosate, an option that wasn't even possible during the "good old days" when Glyphosate was around \$14/L.

4Farmers QPE or 4Farmers Haloxyfop, are not only cheaper than Glyphosate, they do a better job, as they don't kill the clovers.

Removing grasses from the pasture kills the hosts for the soil-borne diseases that can slash cereal yields in the next season, adding up to an extra 1.2t/ha, or another \$480/ha in the pocket.

If the remaining clover carries good nodules, it can also fix Nitrogen into the soil, reducing the need to buy

increasingly expensive Nitrogenous fertilisers.

4Farmers Agronomist, Terry Piper, recommends an application of 75-100mL/ha of Haloxyfop for around \$3.90/ha, or 125-150mL/ha of QPE for around \$3.50/ha.

"The few extra cents for Haloxyfop may be the better choice" said Terry, "as it also controls Erodium and has only a seven day withholding period before returning stock, while QPE requires 14 days.

"But whatever your choice, both do a great job and either will cost you less than the more traditional Glyphosate application.

"With the current price of Nitrogenous fertiliser, the clover could well produce enough soil Nitrogen to pay for the spray" he said.

"You could almost say that you could buy next year's Nitrogen for an outlay of \$3.50/ha now!"



Healthy crops like this need Nitrogen to flourish, but the cost depends on whether you buy the N or grow it!

Is near enough, good enough for you?

FARMERS are probably unaware of just how broad the allowable tolerances are for farm chemicals.

Less than 25% concentration = plus or minus five percentage points.

More than 25% concentration = plus or minus 10 percentage points.

These tolerances are allowed because of the difficulty of producing a chemical that is "spot on", but it also means that Glyphosate 450g/L is legal if it only has 425 grams/Litre, quite a difference in value and effectiveness.

4Farmers policy is to supply products in the top range and the first six patches of Glyphosate 470g/L checked out at 485 - 490g/L.

So, if you have applied a chemical that has a disappointing result, send a sample to 4Farmers where it will be analysed, so you can see just how much chemical you are getting for your dollar.

You can find it on 4farmers.com.a

THE 4Farmers web site contains a range of information to assist your operations, including a list of all the 4Farmers local distributors.

4Farmers has a policy of using the chemical names for its products and the web site not only has a list of all of the 4Farmers products, but it also lists the registered names of the same products from other manufactures.

Herbicides, fungicides, insecticides - they are all listed, with a short description of their functions, but as the site also contains labels and MSDS, more information can be found by checking there.

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