

## Fire Wall 50 WP Best Practices on Grapefruit for Export

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Important Note: Per Decision of the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals on December 13, 2023, and the subsequent Existing Stock Order from the EPA on February 4, 2024, Florida citrus growers may use FireWall 50 WP on citrus until August 31, 2024. See Info, Current News on the AgroSource website for further information and details.

As part of the registration process for FireWall™ 50 WP ("FireWall™") for use on grapefruit for HLB management, the US EPA required a series of independent field trials to establish the pre-harvest interval (PHI). In these experimental trials, three applications of FireWall were made according to label recommendations, except at 33 oz. per acre rate, which is triple the label rate (needed for study purposes only). Fruit harvested at multiple time intervals after the final application were then analyzed for streptomycin residue. Results from these analyses using an analytical method with a detection limit of 0.002 ppm revealed how quickly streptomycin residues declined in treated fruit.

These data indicate that the following best practices minimize the potential for detectable streptomycin residue following FireWall application to grapefruit:

- Follow FireWall label use directions including:
  - ✓ Use rate of 11 oz. per acre
  - ✓ Maximum of 3 applications per season
  - ✓ Minimum 21 days between applications
- The PHI on the FireWall label is designed to meet US EPA established tolerance limits for the US domestic market and does not apply to export markets.



- Packers and growers shipping internationally need to
  determine if their commodity will meet the export market MRL or default requirements, as these often
  differ among countries, may change at any time, and may differ substantially from the US standard.
- Based on data from FireWall residue trials conducted by independent contract researchers on grapefruit:
  - ✓ Following 2 applications of FireWall, the level of streptomycin is predicted to fall below detectable levels at **98 days** after the last application.
  - ✓ Following 3 applications of FireWall, the level of streptomycin is predicted to fall below detectable levels at **139 days** after the last application.

For more information, email <u>info@AgroSource.Net</u> or visit us on the web <u>www.AgroSource.Net</u>. Always read and follow label instructions.

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