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TOP TIP

DON'T USE LAWN WEEDKILLERS ON NEW LAWNS AS THEY CAN DAMAGE THEM. WAIT SIX MONTHS

Concentrated liquid weedkillers

Scotts Miracle-Gro Verdone Extra

- Active ingredients fluoxypryr, clopyralid and MCPA
- Sizes 250ml; 500ml; 1-litre
- Treats 660sq m (790sq yd) per litre
- Price guide £5.10; £7.14; £11.73
- Cost per sq m 1.8-3.1p



Vitax Lawn Clear

- Active ingredients clopyralid, 2,4-D and MCPA
- Sizes 200ml; 500ml
- Treats 600sq m (720sq yd) per litre
- Price guide £6.73; £12.60
- Cost per sq m 4.2-5.6p

Westland Horticulture Resolva Lawn Weedkiller Concentrate

- Active ingredients 2,4-D, MCPA, mecoprop-P and dicamba
- Sizes 250ml; 500ml
- Treats 1,000sq m (1,200sq yd) per litre
- Price guide £7.99; £9.99
- Cost per sq m 2-3.2p



Liquid feed & weeds

Doff Improved Lawn Feed & Weed

- NPK 10:3:2
- Active ingredients 2,4-D, mecoprop-P and dichlorprop-P
- Sizes 500ml; 1-litre
- Treats 333sq m (400sq yd) per litre
- Price guide £2.99; £4.99
- Cost per sq m 1.5-1.8p



Scotts Miracle-Gro EverGreen Feed & Weed Liquid

- NPK 24:0:0
- Active ingredients MCPA, mecoprop-P and dicamba
- Sizes 1-litre
- Treats 100sq m (120sq yd) per litre
- Price guide £6.12
- Cost per sq m 6.1p



Vitax Green Up Liquid Feed & Weed

- NPK 20:3:3
- Active ingredients MCPA and dicamba
- Sizes 500ml; 1-litre; 2.5-litres
- Treats 200sq m (240sq yd) per litre
- Price guide £6.90; £10.87; £18.60
- Cost per sq m 3.7-6.9p



Wilko Lawn Feed & Weed

- NPK 10:3:2
- Active ingredients 2,4-D, mecoprop-P and dichlorprop-P
- Sizes 800ml
- Treats 333sq m (400sq yd) per litre
- Price guide £3.98
- Cost per sq m 1.5p



Ready-to-use liquid weedkillers

Bayer Garden Lawn Weedkiller Ready to Use 2

- Active ingredients MCPA, mecoprop-P and dicamba
- Size 1-litre
- Price guide £5.29



Scotts Miracle-Gro Verdone Extra Ready to Use

- Active ingredients fluoxypryr, clopyralid and MCPA
- Sizes 800ml
- Price guide £5.10



Westland Horticulture Resolva Lawn Weedkiller RTU

- Active ingredients MCPA, mecoprop-P and dicamba
- Sizes 1-litre; 3-litre
- Price guide £4.99; £12.99



B&Q RTU Lawn Weedkiller Spray

- Active ingredients 2,4-D, mecoprop-P and dichlorprop-P
- Size 1-litre
- Price guide £3.98



Vitax Lawn Clear 2 RTU

- Active ingredients clopyralid, 2,4-D and MCPA
- Size 750ml
- Price guide £5.32



Doff Improved Lawn Spot Weeder

- Active ingredients 2,4-D, mecoprop-P and dichlorprop-P
- Size 1-litre
- Price guide £3.99



Time to weed out the lawn invaders

Geoff Hodge rounds up all the liquid lawn weedkillers - the best solution for getting rid of those problem weeds

MOST gardeners want their lawn to be luscious, green and free of problems. Weeds can often spoil that dream, and using a lawn weedkiller is usually the easiest way to get rid of them. I think using a liquid weedkiller is the best solution for problem weeds, and summer is a great time to deal them a deadly blow. When weeds are growing strongly they will absorb the weedkiller better and so the results are much quicker than in spring.

Where you only have a few weed patches to get rid of, then a ready-to-use (RTU) sprayer will come in very handy. Where there are lots of weeds over a large area, then a concentrate that you dilute yourself will be more economical and usually easier to apply using a watering can; some products also have approval for use in a pressure sprayer. Some gardeners like to feed their lawn at the same time to give the grass a tonic, help it grow strongly and outcompete the weeds, so liquid weed

and feeds are available. Liquid lawn weedkillers contain a mixture of active ingredients and the more the merrier for controlling difficult weeds. Some of these, such as 2,4-D, have been available for many years, whereas others, like fluoxypryr and clopyralid, are more modern and seen by many as being more effective. As with all garden chemicals, use lawn weedkillers safely. Always read and follow the label and product information carefully before use.

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 Bayer Garden 0845 345 4100 www.bayergarden.co.uk
 B&Q 0845 609 6688 www.diy.com
 Doff Portland 0115 983 4300 www.doff.co.uk
 Scotts Miracle-Gro 0845 190 1881 www.lovethegarden.com
 Vitax 01530 510060 www.vitax.co.uk
 Westland Horticulture 08700 663566 www.gardenhealth.com
 Wilko 08000 329 329 www.wilkinsonplus.com
 Supplies Wilkinson stores

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