

Omethoate (Folimat), which is commonly used to control bunch pests in the banana industry is currently being phased out. It is legal to continue using Folimat during the phase-out period according to the following conditions:

Folimat may continue to be used as per the old label instruction under a temporary general permit issued by the APVMA until December 1st 2018.

After 1st December 2018 all uses will be cancelled.

Follow a resistance management strategy and do not to bell inject and bunch spray with one product continually as this can cause resistance problems with rust thrips.

Other products which are registered for use in controlling bunch pests include:

(Note some of these products may also be registered to control other banana pests e.g banana weevil borer)

Chemicals for bunch application	Chemicals with alternative application methods
Chlorpyrifos - e.g. Lorsban, Strike-out 500 Scab moth, weevil borer and flower thrips, scab moth, rust thrips. (dust/ spray/ banana bags/ ribbon)	Imidacloprid e.g. SusCon Yellow Banana rust thrips (granules)
Acephate e.g. Titan 970, Orthene Xtra, Imtrade acephate. scab moth, flower thrips and rust thrips (bell injection/ spray)	Spirotetramat e.g. Movento energy is a mix of Imidacloprid and spirotetramat Banana rust thrips (stem injection)
Bifenthrin- e.g Talstar 80, Venom 240, Fivestar, Starbunch bags. flower thrips, rust thrips and scab moth (bell injection /bunch bags/ spray)	Fipronil e.g. Regent, Maestro Banana rust thrips (Butt application/ band application)
Omethoate e.g. Folimat - being phased out (Bell injection / throat spray)	Clothianidin e.g. Shield Banana rust thrips (stem spray/ stem injection)
Spinetoram e.g. Success Neo rust thrips, sugar cane bud moth (spray)	
Diazinon – e.g Diazinon 800. Rust thrips (spray)	

