

Cabbage Seedpod Weevil



Key Features

Dark grey-black body and a prominent curved snout (like an elephant trunk).



Scouting

Economic Threshold:

- 25–40 per 10 sweeps.

How and When to Scout:

- Do 10 (180°) sweeps; count weevils. Sample multiple locations.
- At early flowering; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. > 20 C



Symptoms and Yield Loss

Yield Loss:

- 5 to 30% and in severe cases up to 50%. Increased risk of pod premature shattering.

Symptoms:

- Larvae feed on seeds and leave obvious exit holes on pods.



Spraying

Crop Stage:

- 10 to 20% flower (about 70% of the crop has at least 3 to 10 open flowers)

Spray Timing:

- Morning or evening 15 to 24 C to protect pollinators and improve efficacy.