



Conducive Weather for Weed Control Ahead

HERE IT IS! Don't miss out! If you've been meaning to get a grip on your cool season weeds to give your pastures and hay fields a chance to grow with less competition, your door of opportunity is opening up next week. We have four days next week where the high is forecast to be 60, 63, 71, and 73. If your fields have buttercup, curly dock, plantain, etc., now's the time to take aim at them. Need help selecting a chemical? Consult our weed control manual at the link below. Always remember to read and follow all label directions.

<https://tiny.utk.edu/WeedControlManual>

Pruning Time is Now!

One of the pruning jobs above is wrong six ways to Sunday. Can you guess which one? I hope you said the middle one. The time to prune is now while plants are dominant with high energy reserves ready to flower and put on leaves. There's a lot of misinformation out there regarding how to prune, but our publication linked below gives sound and proven advice. Did you know that "pruning spray" & "topping trees" were terrible ideas? Read on for more useful info:

<https://extension.tennessee.edu/publications/Documents/PB1619.pdf>



TN Sheep Shearing School

The shearing school is designed for either beginner or experienced shearers who wish to improve their skills. Instructors will teach the most modern, up-to-date shearing methods. One of the most important aspects of the school is information about maintenance and care of sheep shearing equipment. For more info, visit the TSPA website below:

<https://www.tennesseesheep.org/shearing.htm>

Extension Publications

Here are a few more useful, new, and/or timely publications:

- [COVID-19 Pandemic & Forest Product Exports \(W1064\)](#)
- [Avian Influenza: What We Learned From 2015 \(D158\)](#)
- [Pruning Neglected Fruit Trees \(SP307-K\)](#)
- [Estimating Costs for Grain Storage: Bags & Bins \(W1060\)](#)
- [TN Vegetable Garden: Plan, Prepare, & Plant \(W346-B\)](#)

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