# TOMATO SOLUTIONS 2024 SEED GUIDE

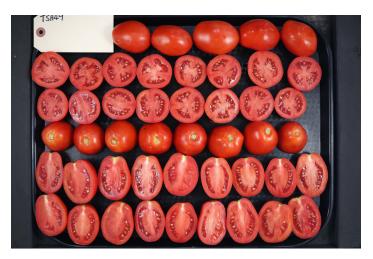
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**TSH49** 

# PROCESSING EDITION CANADA and U.S.A.

### DESCRIPTION OF TOMATO HYBRIDS FOR SALE



TSH18 (93 days) is a very early maturing processing hybrid, ready for harvest about 2 days earlier than TSH04. The fruit size is larger than TSH04. This hybrid peels very well, but also has good colour and viscosity for other products. Vine size is medium compact and the best yields will be achieved with 16,000 plants per acre. TSH18 is an excellent choice for early season extension. Resistant to Verticillium and Fusarium wilt, and tolerant to Pinnacle (thifensulfuron methyl) herbicide. USE FOR MAXIMUM EARLINESS AND SEASON EXTENSION



**TSH04 (95 days)** is an early hybrid with excellent yield for its maturity. Fruit size is uniform, and peeled color is good. For product use, TSH04 has medium viscosity and good soluble solids. VF resistant, tolerant to Pinnacle (thifensulfuron methyl) herbicide.

USE TO GET YOUR FACTORY UP AND RUNNING EARLY IN THE SEASON



**TSH43** (**96 days**) Maturity is about a day later than TSH04 and 4 days earlier than H5108/H1014. Fruit weight is about 30% larger than H1014. Fruit are trilocular improving firmness. Fruit are variable in size with the odd very large fruit. Color is very good. VF resistant and tolerant to Pinnacle (thifensulfuron methyl) herbicide. **EXCELLENT FOR EARLY PASTE AND PEEL PRODUCTION** 

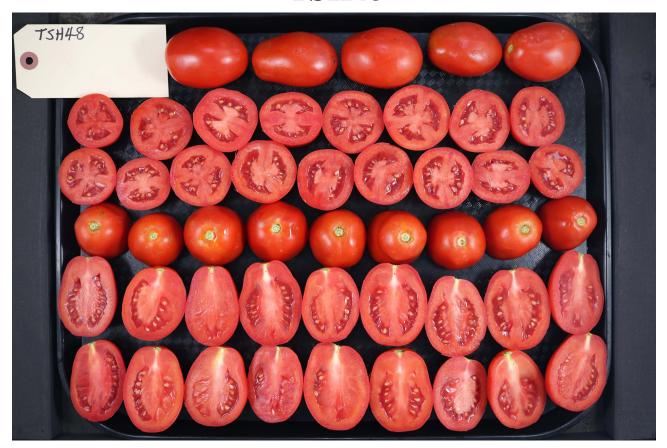


**TSH44** (98 days) matures slightly earlier than H5108 or H1014 but yields about 25% more. Fruit size and shape is similar to H5108 or H1014 and very uniform. Firmness is similar before peeling but better after peeling. Soluble solids are the same. Color is superior to H5108 and equal to H1014. Holdability is excellent. TSH44 offers advantages over current hybrids in the same maturity class. VF resistant and tolerant to Pinnacle (thifensulfuron methyl) herbicide.



TSH26 (111 days) is a main mid-season hybrid that peels easily, with excellent peeled color and appearance. Fruit are ovate shaped (height:width ratio 1.5) with small exposed stem scars for easy peel removal. Fruit size (61g) is similar to TSH04. Firmness is outstanding. Thicker fruit walls result in better dicing recovery. It is very resistant to blossom end rot. Although not truly a San Marzano type, shape is fairly elongate so that some processors have been able to use this hybrid for their San Marzano style pack while awaiting development of a hybrid with a more elongated fruit shape.VF resistant, tolerant to Pinnacle (thifensulfuron methyl)herbicide. FOR SUPERB PEELED COLOR AND QUALITY

## **TSH48**



### TSH48 (102 days in our 2023 yield trial)

TSH48 is approximately the same maturity as H1301 and would fill that maturity slot with the following advantages. Yield was 8% higher in our 4 replicate yield trial, and 31% more in a more comprehensive trial with 12 replicates and only 4 hybrids. Fruit weight is a big improvement at 64 grams compared to only 52 grams for H1301. TSH48 also has the crimson gene which resulted in a 9.4% improvement in the a/b ratio which represents the visual redness of tomato pulp. Colorimeter estimation showed an 8.2 % higher lycopene content which is the main reason for the higher redness of the pulp. Fruit firmness is retained longer than similar hybrids in this maturity category. Shape is oval, similar to H1301, with a height:width ratio of 1.34. Percent soluble solids and viscosity were similar. VF resistant, and tolerant to Pinnacle (thifensulfuron methyl) herbicide.

# **TSH49**



### TSH49 (106 days in our 2023 yield trial)

**TSH49** is a later hybrid maturing approximately 2 days after H1648. Yield was excellent at 54 tons/acre compared to 47.5 tons/acre for H1648 (13% more) in our 4 replicate yield trial. In another trial with 12 replicates, TSH49 yielded 39% more than H1301 which is generally considered to be a very good hybrid for yield. TSH49 has excellent peeled colour and a small stem scar and core. Fruit firmness is retained longer than similar hybrids in this maturity category. Fruit weight and shape are almost identical to H1648, and both hybrids have the crimson gene for high colour. VF resistant, and tolerant to Pinnacle (thifensulfuron methyl) herbicide.

### **Effectiveness of Chlorine Seed Treatment used by Tomato Solutions**



Untreated seed showing fuzzy surface ideal for harbouring bacterial and viral pathogens.

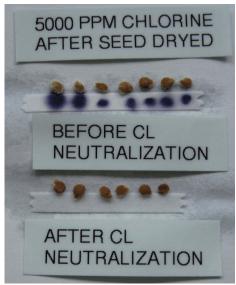


Seed after treatment with 5000 ppm chlorine for 60 minutes, showing removal of fuzz from seed coat. Embryos are visible through bleached, disinfected seed coat.

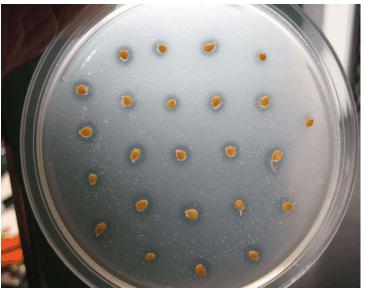
# A 42 page report "TOMATO SEED DISINFECTION WITH CHLORINE" is available on our website at www.tomatosolutions.ca

### Demonstration of effectiveness of chlorine seed treatment in leaving a chlorine residue

Tomato seed was treated with chlorine using our commercial procedure (soaked for 24 hours at 6°C prior to treatment for 60 minutes in 5000 ppm chlorine at 20°C and pH 9.5). Half of the seed was rinsed twice with sterile water and dried aseptically. The other half of the treated seed was neutralized with sodium thiosulphate (a chlorine neutralizer) and also dried overnight. Portions of the water rinsed and neutralized seed were placed on chlorine test paper (Hydrion Sanitizer Test Paper, Micro Essential Laboratory Inc.) to demonstrate the presence of chlorine residues. These paper strips turn various shades of purple depending on the amount of chlorine present in a liquid solution. When dry treated seed is placed on the strips moistened with water, the purple color indicates a chlorine residue. The dried seed was also placed on PDA seeded with bacterial canker bacteria (C.m.m.) just prior to pouring the plate and incubated to determine the effect of chlorine residues on bacterial growth. As shown below, our seed carries a chlorine residue after treatment and drying which will inhibit the growth of pathogenic bacteria.



Chlorine residue shown to be present on dried seed; not present when chlorine is neutralized.



Effect of chlorine residue on dried seed on growth of canker bacteria. The clear zone around each seed. indicates bacterial growth inhibition.

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#### 2024 PRICE: CONTACT TOMATO SOLUTIONS

#### **Product Information**

Pelletizing is done by Germain's Technology Group (mini-pellet, coloured orange). Only conventional breeding methods are used to produce our hybrids (no GMO's). All seed is surface disinfected with chlorine to eliminate bacteria and fungi. No other chemical seed treatments are applied.

#### Terms and Conditions of Sale

TERMS: PAYMENT ON DELIVERY. MINIMUM ORDER OF 200 M SEEDS. Please e-mail, or phone your order to us. Invoices will be e-mailed back to you. Price includes shipping.

Note: Photo is a representation of the variety. Actual appearance may vary. All variety information presented herein is based on field and laboratory observation. Actual crop yield, quality, and level of claimed pest and pathogen resistances, are dependent upon many factors beyond our control and NO WARRANTY is made for crop yield, quality, and level of claimed pest and pathogen resistances. Since environmental conditions and local practices may affect variety characteristics and performance, we disclaim any legal responsibility for these.

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### **QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES**

- 1.) All seed is pelletized with a split coat pellet from Germain's in California to allow easy seeding and quick uptake of water for fast germination.
- 2.) All seed is treated with chlorine to eliminate surface borne pathogens: bacterial spot, speck, and canker, tobacco and tomato mosaic viruses, pospiviroids, and Tomato Brown Rugose Fruit Virus (ToBRFV). An extensive report describing tomato seed treatment with chlorine is available on our website. This treatment also enhances uniformity and speed of germination. Seed treated in this way can be stored almost indefinitely (pelletized or raw) if refrigerated under dry conditions in sealed plastic bags or containers.
- 3.) After treatment and drying, seed is vacuum separated to clean out any light weight particulate matter and to remove any poorly developed seeds. Subsequently, seed is passed over a vibratory grading screen in a single layer to remove small seeds, and is visually inspected to remove anything that is not a tomato seed.
- 4.) Seed is germination tested at every stage of production and germinations are done every year on all seed lots offered for sale.
- 5.) Seed is inspected by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) prior to shipping to the U.S.
- 6.) Every seed lot is tested for the presence of Tobacco and Tomato Mosiac virus using an ELISA test done by the Pest Diagnostic Laboratory at the University of Guelph. Seed that is not acceptable is discarded. All seed is tested for pospiviroids and ToBRFV and any positive seed lots are discarded. All seed has a phytosanitary certificate attesting to freedom from 6 pospiviroids and ToBRFV.
- 7.) We have done extensive testing by the Pest Diagnostic Laboratory for the presence of Xanthomonas campestris vesicatoria, the causal agent of bacterial spot on over 100 commercial seed samples using the latest PCR technology. Due to our seed treatment, we have never had a positive test for this pathogen on our treated seed.
- 8.) All seed lots are grown out and visually inspected for purity.
- 9.) All hybrids are produced using breeding lines developed and tested here in Canada by a qualified plant breeder and plant pathologist. This ensures that hybrids are adapted to our environment and climatic conditions.
- 10.) Hybrid seed is produced in India in small plots under strictly controlled conditions. Any off-type plants are removed prior to making the crosses. Plants are regularly inspected for any viral symptoms and if any are found they are carefully removed to prevent any contamination of remaining plants. A strict protocol is followed to prevent the introduction of viral diseases. Seed extraction is done using a short treatment time with pectic enzyme to ensure high germination and seed vigour. A high level of communication between India and Canada is maintained.