

Table 3 Combined vase life from harvest one and two of cut *Zinnia elegans* flowers under four postharvest treatments

Dependent variable	No cut + tap water ^I	Cut + tap water	No cut + flower food	Cut + flower food	df	F value	<i>P</i> value
Minimum days	7 ^a	7 ^a	10 ^b	9 ^b	3	12.979	0.001*
Maximum days	21 ^{ab}	19 ^a	21 ^b	22 ^c	3	13.046	0.001*
Average days	12.8 ^a	11.7 ^a	14.7 ^b	16.46 ^c	3	27.096	0.001*

Note: *Significant at $P \leq 0.05$; ^I Average over 2 replications; Means within a row followed by different lowercase letters are significantly different according to Duncan's multiple range test at $P \leq 0.05$