WEEDWATCH

STANDING SENTINEL TO PROTECT PLANT HEALTH



DOLLARWEED/PENNYWORT

Hydrocotyle spp.

IDENTIFICATION TIPS

> This warm-season perennial often is found in moist to wet sites or anywhere with excess moisture.

> Its green, glossy leaves are round and scalloped, resembling a miniature lily pad.

> A long, slender petiole is attached to the center of the leaf, forming an umbrella-like appearance. Dollarweed often is confused with dichondra, where the petiole is attached to the edge of a kidney-shaped leaf.

CONTROL TIPS

> Avoid excess moisture by minimizing irrigation and improving drainage. Most turfgrass species can survive with less moisture than dollarweed.

> Apply a postemergent herbicide containing penoxsulam when dollarweed is actively growing and in the one-leaf-toflower stage.

> Dollarweed is a difficult weed to control for an entire growing season. Repeat spring or fall applications may be necessary.



RED SORREL Rumex acetosella

IDENTIFICATION TIPS

> This summer perennial grows best in acidic soils, and can be used as an indicator of low soil pH.

> Leaves alternate and form a basal rosette. Mature leaves are arrowhead-shaped, with two basal lobes attached to a petiole. Leaves growing along the stem are more elongated and usually lack the basal lobes.

> The leaves become thick and fleshy over the summer months. The margins of the leaf are smooth. Recommended Dow AgroSciences solution

Gallery[®] specialty herbicide

CONTROL TIPS

> Red sorrel grows in undisturbed, poorly drained soils.

> Low nitrogen fertility also encourages the growth of this weed. Keep pH and fertility soil levels within appropriate local guidelines.

> Apply a preemergent herbicide containing isoxaben, in combination with a postemergent application containing clopyralid, when plants are in the rosette stage. Make the same application again in late spring to maximize control.

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