

WEEDWATCH

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BLACK MEDIC

Medicago lupulina

IDENTIFICATION TIPS

▶ This low-trailing summer annual can act as a perennial in some conditions. It is common in lawns stressed from compaction, heat and drought.

▶ Often confused with clover, black medic is easily distinguished by the bright yellow flowers and leaf arrangement. The leaf is similar to clover and other legumes with three leaflets, but black medic's center leaflet is on a separate petiole.

▶ Prostrate stems, 1 to 2 in. in length, grow from a taproot.

CONTROL TIPS

▶ Clean up any established black medic using a post-emergent herbicide containing two or more auxinic herbicides, such as clopyralid, triclopyr or fluoxypyr. Time your application in spring or fall.

▶ Control starts with elimination of seed production, as each plant can produce thousands of seeds. Black medic germinates when soil temperatures are between 50° F and 75° F. Apply a pre-emergent herbicide prior to germination, or just after elimination via post-emergent control.

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WILD CARROT

Daucus carota

IDENTIFICATION TIPS

▶ This biennial resembles a garden carrot in its first year of growth. Also known as Queen Anne's lace, it produces a rosette of lobed, deeply dissected leaves in the first year of growth.

▶ Leaves have long petioles, hairless on the upper surface, but may have hairs on the veins and margins of the lower surface. The foliage has a carrot-like odor.

▶ During its second year, the plant starts producing stalks with umbels of

numerous small white, flat-topped flowers.

CONTROL TIPS

▶ Apply a post-emergent herbicide when the wild carrot is in the seedling stage. Yearly applications are necessary to control the young seedlings that emerge from the seed bank.

▶ This weed species thrives in sandy and undisturbed areas. A well-maintained lawn with thick dense turf can outcompete the establishment of wild carrot.

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