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Cause, Hosts and Occurrence

Anthracnose: Cause: Colletotrichum graminicola

Primary Hosts: Annual bluegrass, creeping bentgrass

Occurrence: July - August

Key Symptoms and Signs

- Irregularly shaped patches of yellow-bronze turf.
- Elongated reddish brown spots on the leaves.
- Black, spiny fungal structures on infected leaves, visible with 10X hand lens.

Cultural/Maintenance Practices

- Provide sufficient nitrogen to maintain moderate growth rate through the summer.
- Irrigate to maintain plant vigor and avoid drought stress.

Fungicide Program

 Preventive applications of reduced-rate tank mixes of a DMI fungicide and chlorothalonil at twoweek intervals.

Products reported to provide fair to excellent control of anthracnose include:

Commercial Products

Active ingredient(s)

Product name(s)

azoxystrobin Heritage

chlorothalonil Daconil Ultrex, Thalonil, Manicure Ultrex

fenarimol Rubigan

myclobutanil (DMI) Eagle

propiconazole (DMI) Banner MAXX

thiophanate-methyl Cleary's 3336, Fungo, Cavalier

triadimefon (DMI)

Bayleton, Lesco Granular Turf Fungicide, Accost

trifloxystrobin (DMI) Compass

chlorothalonil + thiophanate-methyl Spectro 90

Home Lawn Products

Active ingredient(s) Product name(s)

propiconazole ferti-lome Liquid Systemic Fungicide

Green Light Fung-Away II Systemic Fungicide,

thiophanate-methyl ferti-lome Halt Systemic, Dragon Systemic

Fungicide 3336WP

triadimefon Green Light Systemic Lawn Fungicide, Bonide

Lawn Fungicide with Bayleton

Fungicides listed represent the best information available. No criticism is intended of products not listed, nor is endorsement by the University of Nebraska given to those listed. Read and follow all product label directions for mixing and application.

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