

# Pest Alert – Nutgrass



## Nutgrass Facts:

- Nutgrass flower stems are triangular in shape
- Nutgrass grows from small bulbs in the soil
- Pulling nutgrass is ineffective as a control because it leaves the bulbs in the ground
- *Nutgrass is also known as nutsedge since it is in the sedge family of plants*
- Nutgrass is not controlled in gardens by using plastic mulch
- Nutgrass grows most vigorously in warm weather

## Nutgrass Control Requires The Right Stuff!

Yellow nutsedge is a perennial plant that reproduces primarily by small underground tubers called nutlets. Yellow nutsedge can also spread by rhizomes (below ground stems). Farmers have difficulty controlling this weed, and as farm land is converted to home sites, the yellow nutsedge plants, as well as nutlets, are often found in the soil of lawns.

Yellow nutsedge is most easily identified by the triangular shape of the stem. If you roll the stem of the plant in your fingers, you should be able to feel the triangular shape. The leaves are light green to yellowish in color and are very slick or waxy to the touch. Yellow nutsedge grows most actively during the hot months of summer. Often the leaves of yellow nutsedge will grow 2 to 4 inches above the turf canopy. During spring and fall, when temperatures are cooler and growth is slower, yellow nutsedge is not as easily noticed.

Herbicides may be required when large patches of nutsedge are present in the turf area. For homeowners, herbicides like Bonide Weed Beater Complete containing Prodiamine and Sulfentrazone provide good control when applied according to directions.

Bonide Weed Beater Complete offers an effective control for all varieties of nut grass in your lawn.

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## Bonide Nutgrass Control Products



### Weed Beater Complete Granules

- Pre and post emergent weed control for lawns
- Excellent nutsedge control both pre and post emergence
- Will not harm lawn grasses
- Use in both warm and cool weather lawns



### Weed Beater Complete Granules with 25-0-4 Fertilizer

- Pre and post emergent weed control
- Quality "Zero Phosphorous" fertilizer for lush lawn growth
- For warm and cool season lawns
- Systemic action will not wash off