# WEEDWATCH

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# **COMMON CHICKWEED**

Stellaria media

### **IDENTIFICATION TIPS**

> This low-spreading, prostrate winter annual succulent features oppositely arranged, small elliptic-shaped leaves, pointed at the tip and stems with rows of hairs. It grows in dense patches, and thrives in moist, shaded areas.

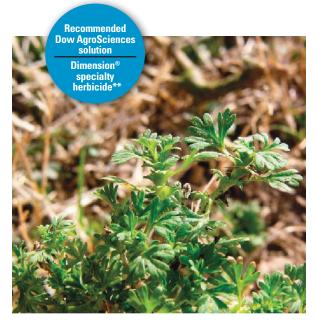
> It's similar in growth habit and appearance to mouse-ear chickweed (*Cerastium vulgatum*). Common chickweed leaves are less hairy and light green in color; mouse-ear chickweed has dark green or gray-green leaves covered with soft hairs.

## **CONTROL TIPS**

> Apply a pre-emergent herbicide containing dithiopyr or isoxaben prior to germination in fall/winter.

> For post-emergent control, apply a two-, three- or four-way product that contains an ingredient such as triclopyr, fluroxypyr or clopyralid.

> For optimum postemergent control, apply to actively growing, immature weeds in the fall/winter. If a spring application is made, you may need more than one application.



## PARSLEY PIERT Alchemilla microcarpa

# IDENTIFICATION TIPS

> This low-growing winter annual spreads by seed.

> Fan-shaped leaves alternate on the stems.

> The leaves contain three lobes, and each lobe is subdivided again into three to four lobes.

> The flowers are inconspicuous in the leaf axis.

### **CONTROL TIPS**

> Apply a pre-emergent herbicide containing dithiopyr or simazine prior to germination in fall/ winter.

> This weed can be a major problem on nutrient-deficient lawns or lawns that are mown too closely. Manage with a good fertility program and keep mow height optimum for respective turfgrass.

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