

# WEEDWATCH

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## HENBIT

*Lamium amplexicaule*

### IDENTIFICATION TIPS

- ▶ This winter annual has square, flowering stems that grow up to 10 in. tall.
- ▶ Henbit features mint-like pink to purple flowers, and prefers thin, nutrient-rich soil.
- ▶ It is commonly confused with purple deadnettle (*L. purpureum*), but deadnettle's upper leaves have petioles (henbit does not) and are distinctly red- or purple-tinted.

### CONTROL TIPS

- ▶ Apply a labeled, pre-emergent herbicide in late summer/early fall before the weed germinates.
- ▶ For post-emergence control, apply a labeled two-, three- or four-way product that contains fluroxypyr, triclopyr, clopyralid or similar active ingredient.
- ▶ Post-emergence applications should be made to actively growing, immature henbit in fall. If a spring application is made to mature weeds, multiple applications may be needed.



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## DALLISGRASS

*Paspalum dilatatum*

### IDENTIFICATION TIPS

- ▶ This abundantly seed-producing perennial grows in clumps with a tall, membranous ligule.
- ▶ Leaves are rolled in the bud and lack auricles. They also are without hairs except for several long, silky hairs that grow in the collar region.
- ▶ The seedhead is produced on a terminal stalk with three to five finger-like spikes branching from the center. Each spikelet is covered in black silky hairs.

### CONTROL TIPS

- ▶ If present, the best way to eradicate dallisgrass is by digging out the clumps prior to formation of rhizomes or seed set.
- ▶ Dallisgrass seed begins to emerge when soil temperatures reach 60° F. For optimal control, apply dithiopyr in the spring just prior to these soil temperatures being reached.
- ▶ If dallisgrass is a problem in ornamental beds, apply a layer of mulch over the top of your pre-emergent herbicide.

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