Plant Disease Identification Guide

Use this plant disease identification guide to work through symptoms step by step, narrowing down likely causes before you pick a control or send a sample to a diagnostic lab.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

1. Record the crop and growth stage
2. Describe where symptoms first appeared
3. Note pattern across the field
4. Examine leaves, stems and roots
5. Look for spores, ooze or fungal growth
6. Rule out nutrient and weather injury
7. Compare with a trusted disease reference
8. Send a sample if unsure

YOUR NOTES

TIP Many diseases mimic nutrient or herbicide injury, so check several plants and the field pattern before you decide.

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