

Pearlwort (*Sagina procumbens*)

This is a small tufted perennial which is common in turf. The plant produces a tiny dense patch which spreads by production of slender stolons. The leaves can be in two forms. On small plants they tend to be in rosettes, whereas in established specimens they are produced along the stolons. Pearlwort produces tiny flower on top of a thin stalk and white petals may or may not be present. The flowering period is between May and September. This plant will appear in all soil conditions.



CONTROL: This is an easy weed to control, so it should be not allowed to spread and become a nuisance. Selective weedkiller with one or two active ingredients is an effective method. One application should be enough, but pearlwort will soon return unless you feed the grass and avoid mowing too closely.