

## Common Lespedeza

**Introduction:** Common Lespedeza, *Lespedeza striata*, is a wiry, freely branched summer annual legume with a prominent midvein and parallel veins. It is especially troublesome in centipedegrass lawns because it forms weedy patches that are dark green in color. Lespedeza forms small pinkish purple flowers in late summer.

**Preemergence Control:** For

Aatrex 4L	Atrazine	Fair
Dimension 1EC	Dithiopyr	Excellent
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**Postemergence Control:** For excellent control in Centipedegrass, St. Augustinegrass, Zoysiagrass, and Bermudagrass, Aatrex 4L (atrazine), Princep (simazine), Blindside (sulfentrazone + metsulfuron) or Manor (metsulfuron) can be used. Do not apply atrazine to actively growing Bermudagrass. For good control in the above grasses Trimec Southern (MCPP+2,4-D+dicamba) can be used. Celsius 68WG (thiencarbazone+iodosulfuron+dicamba) provides fair control. For all of the above turfgrasses but St. Augustinegrass Confront (triclopyr+clopyralid) can be used for excellent control. Do not apply this around shallow rooted trees or shrubs.

TRADE NAME	ACTIVE INGREDIENT	LEVEL OF CONTROL *
Aatrex 4L	Atrazine	Excellent
Princep, Wynstar		
Celsius 68WG		