# Hophornbeam Copperleaf Management

# Identification Is the First Step

# Leaf Margins



Leaf serration is more coarse on prickly sida than hophornbeam copperleaf.

#### Stems & Petioles





Spiny stipule at the base of the petiole on prickly sida. Hophornbeam copperleaf has purple coloration where the main leaf veins meet the petiole.

#### Inflorescence



Prickly sida Five petal yellow flowers in leaf axils



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White axillary and terminal spike flowers

# Seedlings



Prickly sida

One true leaf immediately after cotyledon expansion

#### Seeds



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Two true leaves immediately after cotyledon expansion



### Management

- Hophornbeam copperleaf emergence extends late into the growing season
- Soil-applied herbicides should be applied within two weeks of planting
- Postemergence herbicides should be applied before copperleaf exceeds four to six inches in height
- Effective soil-applied soybean herbicides include products containing sulfentrazone, flumioxazin, metribuzin, or cloransulam
- Effective postemergence soybean herbicides include products containing aciflurofen, lactofen, fomesafen, or glyphosate

