JAPANESE MAPLE SCALE ACTIVITY ALERT—February 5, 2020

Due to the mild fall and winter that we have been experiencing in Kentucky, JMS may have had a third hatching or crawler stage.

Personnel should begin scouting for Japanese Scale and make applications of dormant oil as needed for control of JMS.

The scale's known host range includes trees and shrubs in more than 16 genera in 13 families

CONSIDER INSPECTING

Acer, Amelanchier, Camellia, Carpinus, Cercis, Cladrastis, Cornus, Cotoneaster, Euonymus, Fraxinus, Gledistia, Hamamelis, Ilex, Itea, Ligustrum, Magnolia, Malus, Oxydendrum, Prunus, Pyracantha, Pyrus, Rosa, Salix, Spirea, Stewartia, Styrax, Syringa, Tilia, Ulmus and Zelkova



Fig 1. Japanese maple scale looks similar to oyster shell scale or white peach scale. Look for orange footballs with long white tails



Fig 2. Japanese Maple scale on trunk.

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