## **HONEYLOCUST POD GALL MIDGE**

(Dasineura gleditschiae)

Starting in late April, adult midges emerge from the soil, and insert tiny yellow eggs in leaflets. The larvae emerge in two days, are slimy, olive-green and 6 mm in length. Damage results in thickened and deformed leaves, which become pod-like, enclosing the growing larvae. These leaflets dry up and drop prematurely, causing small branches to die. They pupate in the gall structure and emerge as adult midges that are about 3 mm long. Males are black and females are black with a red abdomen.



Honeylocust Pod Gall Midge on Gleditsia