

ATTENTION!!! ATTENTION!!!

FALL ARMY WORM (SPODOPTERA FRUGIPERDA)



On whorl



On stem

NEW PEST ON CEREALS AND PASTURE IN KENYA

What is Fall Army Worm (FAW)

This is a migratory insect pest native to North and South America. It occurs in large numbers and the caterpillars cause severe damage to maize, rice, pastures and over 80 other plant species.

How to manage FAW

- ◆ Use FAW Pheromone trap for detection and early warning
- ◆ Scout weekly after germination for pest presence
- ◆ Plough to expose pupae to predators and solar heat
- ◆ Plant varieties with hard husk cover
- ◆ Adhere to regional planting schedules. avoid off-season and late planting
- ◆ Destroy caterpillars by crushing or dropping in hot water
- ◆ Avoid planting new crop near infested plants
- ◆ Avoid moving infested plant materials
- ◆ Spray using: Chlorpyrifos, Alpha Cypermethrin, Indoxacarb, Diflubenzuron, Chlorantraniliprole, Spinetoram
- ◆ Alternate pesticides with different modes of action to avoid pest resistance.



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