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PEST: Japanese Beetle (*Popilla japonica*)

BASIC PROFILE: Adult JB may be found on leaves of 200-300 host plants including vegetables, field crops and nursery stock. Adult JB prefer stone fruit trees, pome fruit trees, roses, common ornamentals and trees such as maple or birch. Larvae (grubs) feed on roots of grasses, weeds or nursery stock. Adult JB are ~10 mm (3/8 inch) long.

LDAF ACTIVITY: USDA maintains a federal JB quarantine but only for movement from regulated airports. State restrictions are based on a national 'Harmonization Plan'. After 10 years of trapping for JB, the state of Louisiana is considered a Category 4 state for the JB Harmonization plan. Category 4 status means that JB cannot establish in Louisiana and allows the movement of nursery stock to other states with less regulatory requirements.

Adult



Eggs



Larva (Grub)

