## **Pest Profile**



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Common Name: Strawberry Root Weevil

Scientific Name: Otiorhynchus ovatus

Order and Family: Coleoptera: Curculionidae

## **Size and Appearance:**

	Length (mm)	Appearance
Egg	.25mm	Milky white turning to pale
		brown.
Larva/Nymph	3-5mm	Cream colored or pinkish-white
		with brown heads. Larvae are
		legless and C-shaped.
Adult	4 – 5.5 mm	Black or brown beetles with a
		short snout and rounded
		abdomen. Fused elytra renders
		adults flightless.
Pupa (if applicable)	5 – 7 mm	Soft, delicate, white.

Type of feeder (Chewing, sucking, etc.): Chewing

**Host plant/s:** Borage, carrot, strawberry, hops, juniper, alfalfa, mint, bean, spruce, pine, peach, rhododendron, rose, raspberry, yew, arborvitae, red clover, hemlock, blueberry, and grape.

**Description of Damage (larvae and adults):** Larvae feed on nearby plant roots after hatching. Larval damage results in stunted plants. Adults feed on foliage nocturnally, which results in leaf notching.

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