

Green lacewing (*Chrysoperla* spp.)

- ❑ Common in nurseries and shipments from other states.
- ❑ Hosts: On plants where its prey (aphids, caterpillars, thrips, mealybugs) live.
- ❑ Field ID: Adult 12-20 mm long, green and delicate with long antennae, golden eyes, and pale green wings with complex venation. Larvae 1-8 mm long, brown with **sickle-shaped mouthparts directed forward**. Eggs oval, laid singly on top of long stalks. Larvae – also called ‘Aphid lions’ – predate on soft-bodied insects; adults feed on nectar, pollen, and honeydew.

