

PEAR SCAB

Very common and widespread. The symptoms are roundish blotches occurring on the leaves that start off greenish brown and become darker as they mature. On the fruit dark spots appear first and later become greener and corky in appearance and cracked. The damage mostly is just cosmetic except in extreme cases when leaves will drop prematurely and the fruit will become prone to other infections but no direct rot occurs with scab.

To treat start spraying fortnightly from bud burst with Dithane 945 and more importantly is winter hygiene where fallen leaves and fruit should be cleared.