



Kitsap County 2024 Noxious Weed List



RCW 17.10.090 requires county noxious weed control boards to hold a public hearing and adopt a county weed list within 90 days of the state noxious weed list adoption. The Kitsap County Noxious Weed Control Board adopted the county's 2024 noxious weed list following a public hearing on February 29, 2024.

2024 updates are described below. See bottom of document for Kitsap County Weeds of Concern.

Class A

- Addition of Palmer amaranth, *Amaranthus palmeri* (left)
- Addition of variable-leaf milfoil hybrids, *Myriophyllum heterophyllum* x *Myriophyllum hippuroides* to the Class A listing of variable-leaf watermilfoil, *Myriophyllum heterophyllum* (right)



Palmer amaranth

Variable-leaf milfoil

Class B

- No changes to Class B noxious weeds in Kitsap County at this time.

Class C

- Addition of European, American, and hybrid beach grasses, *Ammophila arenaria*, *A. breviligulata*, and *A. arenaria* x *breviligulata*



A. arenaria
Ken Hickman

A. breviligulata
Lake Michigan State Park

Visit <https://www.nwcb.wa.gov/whats-new> to learn more about the changes to the Washington State Noxious Weed List in 2024.

Washington Administrative Code (WAC) [16-750](#) contains the latest state noxious weed list adopted by the Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board.

2024 Kitsap County Weed List by Class

Additions Highlighted and Underlined

Class A

Eradication Required

Scientific Name	Common Name
<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	garlic mustard
<u><i>Amaranthus palmeri</i></u>	<u>Palmer amaranth</u>
<i>Brachypodium sylvaticum</i>	false brome
<i>Butomus umbellatus</i>	flowering rush
<i>Carduus cinereus</i>	thistle, Turkish
<i>Carduus pycnocephalus</i>	thistle, Italian
<i>Carduus tenuiflorus</i>	thistle, slenderflower
<i>Centaurea calcitrapa</i>	purple starthistle
<i>Centaurea macrocephala</i>	knapweed, bighead
<i>Centaurea nigrescens</i>	knapweed, Vochin
<i>Clematis orientalis</i>	oriental clematis
<i>Crupina vulgaris</i>	common crupina
<i>Euphorbia oblongata</i>	eggleaf spurge
<i>Galega officinalis</i>	goatsrue
<i>Genista monspessulana</i>	French broom
<i>Glyceria maxima</i>	reed sweetgrass
<i>Helianthus ciliaris</i>	Texas blueweed
<i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i>	giant hogweed
<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>	hydrilla
<i>Impatiens parviflora</i>	small-flowered jewelweed
<i>Isatis tinctoria</i>	dyer's woad
<i>Limnobiium laevigatum</i>	South American spongeplant
<i>Ludwigia peploides</i>	floating primrose-willow
<i>Mirabilis nyctaginea</i>	wild four-o'clock
<u><i>Myriophyllum heterophyllum</i>, <i>Myriophyllum heterophyllum</i> x <i>Myriophyllum hippuroides</i></u>	variable-leaf milfoil & <u>hybrids</u>
<i>Pueraria montana</i> var. <i>lobata</i>	kudzu
<i>Salvia aethiopsis</i>	sage, Mediterranean
<i>Salvia pratensis</i>	meadow clary
<i>Salvia sclarea</i>	sage, clary
<i>Schoenoplectus mucronatus</i>	ricefield bulrush

<i>Silybum marianum</i>	thistle, milk
<i>Solanum elaeagnifolium</i>	silverleaf nightshade
<i>Sorghum halepense</i>	Johnsongrass
<i>Spartina alterniflora</i>	cordgrass, smooth
<i>Spartina anglica</i>	cordgrass, common
<i>Spartina densiflora</i>	cordgrass, dense-flowered
<i>Spartina patens</i>	cordgrass, saltmeadow
<i>Spartium junceum</i>	Spanish broom
<i>Zygophyllum fabago</i>	Syrian beancaper

Class B

Control Required for Designates (D)

Containment is the *goal* for Non-Designates (ND)

Control: To prevent all seed production and to prevent the dispersal of all propagative parts capable of forming new plants.

Contain: Means to confine a noxious weed and its propagules to an identified area of infestation.

Scientific Name	Common Name	Designated for Control (D)
<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i>	Velvetleaf	D
<i>Alhagi maurorum</i>	camelthorn	D
<i>Amorpha fruticosa</i>	indigobush	D
<i>Anchusa officinalis</i>	bugloss, common	D
<i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i>	wild chervil	D
<i>Bassia scoparia</i>	kochia	D
<i>Berteroa incana</i>	hoary alyssum	D
<i>Bryonia alba</i>	white bryony	D
<i>Buddleja davidii</i>	butterfly bush	Non-Designate
<i>Cabomba caroliniana</i>	fanwort	D
<i>Carduus acanthoides</i>	thistle, plumeless	D
<i>Carduus nutans</i>	thistle, musk	D
<i>Carex pendula</i> , <i>Carex pendula</i> <i>subsp. pendula</i> and <i>Carex pendula</i> <i>subsp. agastachys</i>	hanging sedge	D
<i>Centaurea × gerstlaueri</i>	knapweed, meadow	D
<i>Centaurea diffusa</i>	knapweed, diffuse	D
<i>Centaurea jacea</i>	knapweed, brown	D
<i>Centaurea melitensis</i>	Malta starthistle	D
<i>Centaurea nigra</i>	knapweed, black	D
<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>	yellow starthistle	D
<i>Centaurea stoebe</i>	knapweed, spotted	D

<i>Chaerophyllum temulum</i>	rough chervil	D
<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>	rush skeletonweed	D
<i>Clinopodium vulgare</i>	wild basil	D
<i>Conium maculatum</i>	poison hemlock	D
<i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>	houndstongue	D
<i>Cyperus esculentus</i>	yellow nutsedge	D
<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	Scotch broom	Non-Designate
<i>Daphne laureola</i>	spurge laurel	Non-Designate
<i>Echium vulgare</i>	blueweed	D
<i>Egeria densa</i>	Brazilian elodea	Non-Designate
<i>Epilobium hirsutum</i>	hairy willowherb	D
<i>Euphorbia myrsinites</i>	spurge, myrtle	Non-Designate
<i>Euphorbia virgata</i>	spurge, leafy	D
<i>Fallopia × bohémica</i>	knotweed, Bohemian	Non-Designate
<i>Fallopia japonica</i>	knotweed, Japanese	Non-Designate
<i>Fallopia sachalinensis</i>	knotweed, giant	D
<i>Ficaria verna</i>	lesser celandine	D
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> except <i>F. vulgare</i> var. <i>azoricum</i>)	common fennel, (except bulbing fennel)	D
<i>Geranium lucidum</i>	shiny geranium	Non-Designate
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	herb-Robert	Non-Designate
<i>Hieracium aurantiacum</i>	hawkweed, orange	D
<i>Hieracium</i> , subgenus <i>Hieracium</i>	hawkweeds: All nonnative species and hybrids of the wall subgenus	D
<i>Hieracium</i> , subgenus <i>Pilosella</i>	hawkweeds: All nonnative species and hybrids of the meadow subgenus	D
<i>Impatiens glandulifera</i>	policeman's helmet	D
<i>Jacobaea vulgaris</i>	tansy ragwort	Non-Designate
<i>Lamium galeobdolon</i>	yellow archangel	Non-Designate
<i>Lepidium latifolium</i>	perennial pepperweed	D
<i>Linaria dalmatica</i> ssp. <i>dalmatica</i>	Dalmatian toadflax	D
<i>Ludwigia hexapetala</i>	water primrose	D
<i>Lycopsis arvensis</i>	bugloss, annual	D
<i>Lysimachia vulgaris</i>	loosestrife, garden	D
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	loosestrife, purple	Non-Designate
<i>Lythrum virgatum</i>	loosestrife, wand	Non-Designate
<i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i>	parrotfeather	D
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	Eurasian watermilfoil	D
<i>Nymphoides peltata</i>	yellow floatingheart	D

<i>Onopordum acanthium</i>	thistle, Scotch	D
<i>Persicaria wallichii</i>	knotweed, Himalayan	D
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	common reed (nonnative genotypes only)	D
<i>Picris hieracioides</i>	hawkweed oxtongue	D
<i>Potentilla recta</i>	sulfur cinquefoil	D
<i>Rhaponticum repens</i>	knapweed, Russian	D
<i>Sagittaria graminea</i>	grass-leaved arrowhead	D
<i>Tamarix ramosissima</i>	saltcedar	D
<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>	common tansy	D
<i>Thymelaea passerina</i>	spurge flax	Non-Designate
<i>Tribulus terrestris</i>	puncturevine	D
<i>Tripsidium ravennae</i>	Ravenna grass	Non-Designate
<i>Tussilago farfara</i>	European coltsfoot	D
<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	gorse	D

Class C

Containment, control, or eradication is *encouraged*, but not required.

Scientific Name	Common Name
<i>Aegilops cylindrica</i>	jointed goatgrass
<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>	tree-of-heaven
<i>Alopecurus myosuroides</i>	blackgrass
<u><i>Ammophila arenaria</i>, <i>Ammophila breviligulata</i>, and <i>Ammophila arenaria</i> x <i>Ammophila breviligulata</i></u>	<u>beach grasses, European, American, and hybrid</u>
<i>Artemisia absinthium</i>	absinth wormwood
<i>Arum italicum</i>	Italian arum
<i>Berberis vulgaris</i>	common barberry
<i>Cenchrus longispinus</i>	longspine sandbur
<i>Centromadia pungens</i>	spikeweed
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	thistle, Canada
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	thistle, bull
<i>Clematis vitalba</i>	old man's beard
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	field bindweed
<i>Cortaderia jubata</i>	jubata grass
<i>Cortaderia selloana</i>	Pampas grass
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	English hawthorn
<i>Cuscuta approximata</i>	smoothseed alfalfa dodder
<i>Daucus carota</i>	wild carrot (except where commercially grown)
<i>Dipsacus fullonum</i>	common teasel
<i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i>	Russian olive

<i>Gypsophila paniculata</i> <i>Hedera helix</i> 'Baltica', 'Pittsburgh', and 'Star', and <i>H. hibernica</i>	babysbreath
'Hibernica'	English ivy - four cultivars only
<i>Hyoscyamus niger</i>	black henbane
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	common St. Johnswort
<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>	common catsear
<i>Impatiens capensis</i>	spotted jewelweed
<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	yellow flag iris
<i>Lepidium appelianum</i>	hairy whitetop
<i>Lepidium draba</i>	hoary cress
<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>	oxeye daisy
<i>Linaria vulgaris</i>	yellow toadflax
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i> x <i>Myriophyllum sibiricum</i>	Eurasian watermilfoil hybrid
<i>Nanozostera japonica</i>	Japanese eelgrass
<i>Nymphaea odorata</i>	fragrant waterlily
<i>Pentaglottis sempervirens</i>	green alkanet
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	reed canarygrass
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	curlyleaf pondweed
<i>Rorippa austriaca</i>	Austrian fieldcress
<i>Rubus bifrons</i> (<i>Rubus armeniacus</i>)	Himalayan blackberry
<i>Rubus laciniatus</i>	evergreen blackberry
<i>Secale cereale</i>	cereal rye
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	common groundsel
<i>Silene latifolia</i>	white cockle
<i>Solanum rostratum</i>	buffalobur
<i>Soliva sessilis</i>	lawnweed
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>	perennial sowthistle
<i>Sphaerophysa salsula</i>	Swainsonpea
<i>Taeniatherum caput-medusae</i>	medusahead
<i>Tripleurospermum inodorum</i>	scentless mayweed
<i>Typha</i> species	nonnative cattail species and hybrids (reminder, does not include the native common cattail, <i>Typha latifolia</i>)
<i>Ventenata dubia</i>	ventenata
<i>Xanthium spinosum</i>	spiny cocklebur

Weeds of Concern

These are species that are not currently on the state noxious weed list, but are still considered to be a concern by the Kitsap County Noxious Weed Control Board. Control and containment is encouraged.

Scientific Name	Common Name
<i>Acer platanoides</i>	Norway maple
<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>	horse chestnut
<i>Calystegia silvatica</i> ssp. <i>disjuncta</i> , <i>C. x lucana</i>	bindweed
<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	English holly
<i>Petasites japonicus</i>	Fuki
<i>Prunus avium</i>	bird cherry
<i>Prunus laurocerasus</i>	cherry laurel
<i>Ranunculus repens</i>	creeping buttercup
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	black locust
<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>	bittersweet nightshade