

Statement to accompany list – January 2004: This is a list of species that have been determined by floristic analysis to be invasive or potentially invasive in the state of Connecticut, in accordance with PA 03-136. The Invasive Plants Council will generate a second list recommending restrictions on some of these plants. In developing the second list and particular restrictions, the Council will recognize the need to balance the detrimental effects of invasive plants with the agricultural and horticultural value of some of these plants, while still protecting the state's minimally managed habitats.

In May 2004, Public Act 04-203 banned a subset of the January 2004 list making it illegal to move, sell, purchase, transplant, cultivate, or distribute banned plants.

@ column indicates growth form or habitat: **A** = Aquatic & Wetland; **G** = Grass & Grass-like; **H** = Herbaceous; **S** = Shrub; **T** = Tree; **V** = Woody Vine

Explanation of symbols after Common Name:

(P) indicates Potentially Invasive (all other plants listed are considered Invasive in Connecticut)

* denotes that the species, although shown by scientific evaluation to be invasive, has cultivars that have not been evaluated for invasive characteristics. Further research may determine whether or not individual cultivars are potentially invasive. Cultivars are commercially available selections of a plant species that have been bred or selected for predictable, desirable attributes of horticultural value such as form (dwarf or weeping forms), foliage (variegated or colorful leaves), or flowering attributes (enhanced flower color or size).

^ indicates species that are not currently known to be naturalized in Connecticut but would likely become invasive here if they are found to persist in the state without cultivation

BAN column indicates ban date: **2003** = banned under PA 03-136; **2004** = effective October 1, 2004; **2005** = effective October 1, 2005; **N/A** = invasive or potentially invasive plants not banned under PA 04-203

| COMMON NAME | @ | SCIENTIFIC NAME | SYNONYMS | BAN |
|------------------------------|---|---|--|------|
| American water lotus (P) | A | <i>Nelumbo lutea</i> (Willd.) Pers. | American lotus-lily | 2005 |
| Amur honeysuckle | S | <i>Lonicera maackii</i> (Rupr.) Maxim. | | 2004 |
| Amur maple (P) | T | <i>Acer ginnala</i> L. | | N/A |
| Autumn olive | S | <i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i> Thunb. | | 2004 |
| Bell's honeysuckle | S | <i>Lonicera X bella</i> Zabel | Belle honeysuckle | 2004 |
| Bittersweet nightshade (P) | H | <i>Solanum dulcamara</i> L. | Climbing nightshade | 2004 |
| Black locust* | T | <i>Robinia pseudo-acacia</i> L. | | N/A |
| Black swallow-wort | H | <i>Cynanchum louiseae</i> Kartsz & Gandhi | <i>Vincetoxicum</i> or <i>Cynanchum nigrum</i> | 2004 |
| Border privet (P) | S | <i>Ligustrum obtusifolium</i> Sieb. & Zucc. | | 2005 |
| Brazilian water-weed (P) | A | <i>Egeria densa</i> Planchon | Anacharis; Egeria | 2003 |
| Bristled knotweed (P) | H | <i>Polygonum caespitosum</i> Blume | Smartweed | 2004 |
| Brittle water-nymph (P) | A | <i>Najas minor</i> All. | Eutrophic water-nymph | 2005 |
| California privet (P) | S | <i>Ligustrum ovalifolium</i> Hassk. | | N/A |
| Canada bluegrass (P) | G | <i>Poa compressa</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Canada thistle (P) | H | <i>Cirsium arvense</i> (L.) Scop. | | 2004 |
| Coltsfoot | H | <i>Tussilago farfara</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Common barberry | S | <i>Berberis vulgaris</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Common buckthorn | S | <i>Rhamnus cathartica</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Common kochia (P) | H | <i>Kochia scoparia</i> (L.) Schrader | Summer cypress; Fireweed | 2004 |
| Common reed | G | <i>Phragmites australis</i> (Cav.) Trin. | Phragmites | 2004 |
| Common water-hyacinth^ (P) | A | <i>Eichhornia crassipes</i> (Mart.) Solms | | N/A |
| Crested late-summer mint (P) | H | <i>Elsholtzia ciliata</i> (Thunb.) Hylander | Elsholtzia | 2004 |
| Crispy-leaved pondweed | A | <i>Potamogeton crispus</i> L. | Curly or Curly-leaved pondweed | 2003 |
| Cup plant (P) | H | <i>Silphium perfoliatum</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Cypress spurge (P) | H | <i>Euphorbia cyparissias</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Dame's rocket | H | <i>Hesperis matronalis</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Drooping brome-grass (P) | G | <i>Bromus tectorum</i> L. | Cheatgrass | 2004 |
| Dwarf honeysuckle^ (P) | S | <i>Lonicera xylosteum</i> L. | European fly-honeysuckle | 2005 |
| Eulalia* (P) | G | <i>Miscanthus sinensis</i> Anderss. | Chinese or Japanese silvergrass | N/A |
| Eurasian watermilfoil | A | <i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i> L. | | 2003 |
| European privet (P) | S | <i>Ligustrum vulgare</i> L. | | N/A |
| European waterclover (P) | A | <i>Marsilea quadrifolia</i> L. | Water shamrock | 2005 |
| False indigo (P) | S | <i>Amorpha fruticosa</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Fanwort | A | <i>Cabomba caroliniana</i> A. Gray | | 2003 |
| Fig buttercup | H | <i>Ranunculus ficaria</i> L. | Lesser celandine | 2004 |
| Flowering rush (P) | A | <i>Butomus umbellatus</i> L. | | 2005 |
| Forget-me-not | A | <i>Myosotis scorpioides</i> L. | True forget-me-not; Water scorpion-grass | 2005 |
| Garden heliotrope (P) | H | <i>Valeriana officinalis</i> L. | Valerian | 2004 |
| Garden loosestrife* (P) | H | <i>Lysimachia vulgaris</i> L. | | 2005 |
| Garlic mustard | H | <i>Alliaria petiolata</i> | auth. = (Bieb.) Cavara & Grande | 2004 |
| Giant hogweed (P) | H | <i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i> | auth. = Sommier & Lavier | 2004 |

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| Giant knotweed (P) | H | <i>Polygonum sachalinense</i> | auth. = F. Schmidt ex Maxim.; <i>Fallopia s...</i> | 2004 |
| Giant salvinia^ (P) | A | <i>Salvinia molesta</i> Mitchell complex | | 2005 |
| Glossy buckthorn | S | <i>Frangula alnus</i> Mill. | European buckthorn; <i>Rhamnus frangula</i> | N/A |
| Goutweed | H | <i>Aegopodium podagraria</i> L. | | 2005 |
| Ground ivy (P) | H | <i>Glechoma hederacea</i> L. | Run-away robin; Gill-over-the-ground | 2004 |
| Hairy jointgrass (P) | G | <i>Arthraxon hispidus</i> (Thunb.) Makino | Small carpgrass | 2004 |
| Hydrilla | A | <i>Hydrilla verticillata</i> (L.f.) Royle | | 2003 |
| Japanese barberry* | S | <i>Berberis thunbergii</i> DC. | | N/A |
| Japanese honeysuckle* | V | <i>Lonicera japonica</i> Thunb. | | 2005 |
| Japanese hops (P) | H | <i>Humulus japonicus</i> Sieb. & Zucc. | | 2004 |
| Japanese knotweed | H | <i>Polygonum cuspidatum</i> Sieb. & Zucc. | <i>Fallopia japonica</i> | 2004 |
| Japanese sedge^ (P) | G | <i>Carex kobomugi</i> Owhi | | 2004 |
| Japanese stilt grass | G | <i>Microstegium vimineum</i> | auth. = (Trin.) A. Camus | 2004 |
| Jimsonweed (P) | H | <i>Datura stramonium</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Kudzu (P) | V | <i>Pueraria montana</i> (Lour.) Merr. | <i>Pueraria lobata</i> | 2004 |
| Leafy spurge | H | <i>Euphorbia esula</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Mile-a-minute vine | H | <i>Polygonum perfoliatum</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Moneywort* (P) | H | <i>Lysimachia nummularia</i> L. | Creeping jenny | N/A |
| Morrow's honeysuckle | S | <i>Lonicera morrowii</i> A. Gray | | 2004 |
| Multiflora rose | S | <i>Rosa multiflora</i> Thunb. | | 2004 |
| Narrowleaf bittercress | H | <i>Cardamine impatiens</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Norway maple* | T | <i>Acer platanoides</i> L. | | N/A |
| Onerow yellowcress (P) | A | <i>Rorippa microphylla</i> | auth. = (Boenn. ex Reichenb.) Hyl. ex A. & D. Löve | 2005 |
| Oriental bittersweet | V | <i>Celastrus orbiculatus</i> Thunb. | Asiatic bittersweet | 2004 |
| Ornamental jewelweed^ (P) | H | <i>Impatiens glandulifera</i> Royle | Tall impatiens | 2004 |
| Pale swallow-wort | H | <i>Cynanchum rossicum</i> (Kleo.) Borhidi | <i>Vincetoxicum rossicum</i> | 2004 |
| Parrotfeather (P) | A | <i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i> | auth = (Vell.) Verdc. | 2005 |
| Perennial pepperweed | H | <i>Lepidium latifolium</i> L. | Tall pepperwort | 2004 |
| Pond water-starwort (P) | A | <i>Callitriche stagnalis</i> Scop. | | 2005 |
| Porcelainberry* (P) | V | <i>Ampelopsis brevipedunculata</i> | auth. = (Maxim.) Trautv. | N/A |
| Princess tree (P) | T | <i>Paulownia tomentosa</i> | auth. = (Thunb.) Steudel; Empress-tree | 2004 |
| Purple loosestrife | A | <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> L. | | 2005 |
| Ragged robin (P) | H | <i>Lychnis flos-cuculi</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Reed canary grass | G | <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> L. | | N/A |
| Reed mannagrass (P) | G | <i>Glyceria maxima</i> (Hartman) Holmberg | Tall mannagrass | 2004 |
| Rugosa rose* (P) | S | <i>Rosa rugosa</i> Thunb. | Beach, Salt spray, Jap., or Ramanas Rose | N/A |
| Russian olive (P) | S | <i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Scotch thistle (P) | H | <i>Onopordum acanthium</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Sheep sorrel (P) | H | <i>Rumex acetosella</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Slender snake cotton (P) | H | <i>Froelichia gracilis</i> (Hook.) Moq. | Cottonweed | 2004 |
| Spotted knapweed | H | <i>Centaurea biebersteinii</i> DC. | <i>Centaurea maculosa</i> | 2004 |
| Star-of-Bethlehem (P) | H | <i>Ornithogalum umbellatum</i> L. | | N/A |
| Sycamore maple (P) | T | <i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Tansy ragwort^ (P) | H | <i>Senecio jacobaea</i> L. | Stinking Willie | 2004 |
| Tatarian honeysuckle (P) | S | <i>Lonicera tatarica</i> L. | | 2005 |
| Tree of heaven | T | <i>Ailanthus altissima</i> (Mill.) Swingle | | 2004 |
| Variable-leaf watermilfoil | A | <i>Myriophyllum heterophyllum</i> Michx. | | 2003 |
| Water chestnut | A | <i>Trapa natans</i> L. | | 2003 |
| Water lettuce^ (P) | A | <i>Pistia stratiotes</i> L. | | 2005 |
| Watercress (P) | A | <i>Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum</i> | auth. = (L.) Hayek; <i>Nasturtium officinale</i> | 2005 |
| White poplar (P) | T | <i>Populus alba</i> L. | | 2004 |
| Wineberry (P) | S | <i>Rubus phoenicolasius</i> Maxim. | | 2004 |
| Winged euonymus* | S | <i>Euonymus alatus</i> (Thunb.) Sieb. | Burning-bush | N/A |
| Yellow floating heart^ (P) | A | <i>Nymphoides peltata</i> (Gmel.) Kuntze | | 2005 |
| Yellow iris | A | <i>Iris pseudacorus</i> L. | | 2005 |