

## Weed biosecurity

### Noxious weeds listed by control category

#### **Noxious Weeds Act, 1993**

*The Noxious Weeds Act, 1993* (the Act) requires that occupiers of land control noxious weeds in line with the weed control class as designated in a weed control order.

#### **Control objectives**

The following control objectives for the plants identified as noxious weeds exist in the Rous County Council area:

- Class 1:** Prevent the introduction and establishment of those plants in NSW.
- Class 2:** Prevent the introduction and establishment of those plants in parts of NSW.
- Class 3:** Reduce the area and the impact of those plants in parts of NSW.
- Class 4:** Minimise the negative impact of those plants on the economy, community or environment of NSW.
- Class 5:** Prevent the introduction of those plants within NSW or from NSW to another jurisdiction.

Disclaimer: The information contained in this noxious weed list is based on weed class designation at the time of writing (November 2016). Users are reminded of the need to ensure that information upon which they rely is up to date and to check currency of the information with the appropriate officer of Rous County Council on (02) 6623 3833, or check the website: [www.rous.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rous.nsw.gov.au) and select Weed biosecurity – weed information – noxious weeds.

## Control class 1: State prohibited weeds

Class 1 noxious weeds are plants that pose a potentially serious threat to primary production or the environment and are not present in the State, or are present only to a limited extent.

These plants must be eradicated from the land and the land must be kept free of the plant. Owners or occupiers of land must notify Rous County Council within 24 hours of becoming aware that the weed is present.

| Common name                             | Botanical name                                                                                                 |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Anchored water hyacinth                 | <i>Eichhornia azurea</i>                                                                                       |
| Black knapweed                          | <i>Centaurea xmoncktonii</i>                                                                                   |
| Boneseed                                | <i>Chrysanthemoides monilifera</i> subspecies <i>monilifera</i>                                                |
| Bridal veil creeper                     | <i>Asparagus declinatus</i> (syn. <i>Asparagus crispus</i> , <i>Myrsiphyllum declinatum</i> )                  |
| Broomrapes                              | <i>Orobanche</i> species except the native <i>O. cernua</i> variety <i>australiana</i> and <i>O. minor</i>     |
| Chinese violet                          | <i>Asystasia gangetica</i> subspecies <i>micrantha</i>                                                         |
| Eurasian water milfoil                  | <i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>                                                                                   |
| Frogbit / Spongeplant                   | <i>Limnobium laevigatum</i> and <i>L. spongia</i>                                                              |
| Hawkweed                                | <i>Hieracium</i> species                                                                                       |
| Horsetail                               | <i>Equisetum</i> species                                                                                       |
| Hydrocotyl / Water pennywort            | <i>Hydrocotyle ranunculoides</i>                                                                               |
| Hymenachne                              | <i>Hymenachne amplexicaulis</i> and hybrids                                                                    |
| Karoo thorn                             | <i>Acacia karroo</i> (syn. <i>Acacia karroo</i> )                                                              |
| Kidney leaf mud plantain (Heteranthera) | <i>Heteranthera reniformis</i>                                                                                 |
| Kochia                                  | <i>Bassia scoparia</i> (syn. <i>Kochia scoparia</i> ) except <i>B. scoparia</i> subspecies <i>trichophylla</i> |
| Koster's curse / Clidemia               | <i>Clidemia hirta</i>                                                                                          |
| Lagarosiphon                            | <i>Lagarosiphon major</i>                                                                                      |
| Mexican feather grass                   | <i>Nassella tenuissima</i> (syn. <i>Stipa tenuissima</i> )                                                     |
| Miconia                                 | <i>Miconia</i> species                                                                                         |
| Mikania vine                            | <i>Mikania micrantha</i>                                                                                       |
| Mimosa                                  | <i>Mimosa pigra</i>                                                                                            |
| Parthenium weed                         | <i>Parthenium hysterophorus</i>                                                                                |
| Pond apple                              | <i>Amnona glabra</i>                                                                                           |
| Prickly acacia                          | <i>Vachellia nilotica</i> (syn. <i>Acacia nilotica</i> )                                                       |
| Rubbervine                              | <i>Cryptostegia grandiflora</i>                                                                                |
| Senegal tea plant                       | <i>Gymnocoronis spilanthoides</i>                                                                              |
| Siam weed                               | <i>Chromolaena odorata</i>                                                                                     |
| Spotted knapweed                        | <i>Centaurea maculosa</i>                                                                                      |
| Tropical soda apple                     | <i>Solanum viarum</i>                                                                                          |
| Water caltrop                           | <i>Trapa</i> species                                                                                           |
| Water lettuce                           | <i>Pistia stratiotes</i>                                                                                       |
| Water soldier                           | <i>Stratiotes aloides</i>                                                                                      |
| Witchweed                               | <i>Striga</i> sp. except native sp. and <i>Striga parviflora</i>                                               |
| Yellow burrhead                         | <i>Limnocharis flava</i>                                                                                       |

## Control class 2: Regionally prohibited weeds

Class 2 noxious weeds are plants that pose a potentially serious threat to primary production or the environment of a region to which the order applies and are not present in the region, or are present only to a limited extent.

These plants must be eradicated from the land and the land must be kept free of the plant. Owners or occupiers of land must notify Rous County Council within 24 hours after becoming aware that the weed is present.

| Common name               | Botanical name                                                    |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Aleman grass              | <i>Echinochloa polystachya</i>                                    |
| Alligator weed            | <i>Alternanthera philoxeroides</i>                                |
| Asparagus fern            | <i>Asparagus virgatus</i> (syn. <i>Protasparagus virgatus</i> )   |
| Bellyache bush            | <i>Jatropha gossypifolia</i>                                      |
| Cecropia                  | <i>Cecropia</i> species                                           |
| Climbing asparagus        | <i>Asparagus africanus</i> (syn. <i>Protasparagus africanus</i> ) |
| Long-leaf willow primrose | <i>Ludwigia longifolia</i>                                        |
| Grey willow               | <i>Salix cinerea</i>                                              |
| Hygrophilia               | <i>Hygrophilia costata</i>                                        |
| Ming asparagus fern       | <i>Asparagus macowanii</i>                                        |
| Paper mulberry            | <i>Broussonetia papyrifera</i>                                    |
| Sicklethorn               | <i>Asparagus falcatus</i>                                         |

## Control class 3: Regionally controlled weeds

Class 3 noxious weeds are plants that pose a potentially serious threat to primary production or the environment of an area to which the order applies, are not widely distributed in the area, and are likely to spread within the area or to another area.

These plants must be continuously suppressed and destroyed.

| Common name                         | Botanical name                                                   |
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| Bitou bush – Tweed Shire            | <i>Chrysanthemoides monilifera</i> subspecies <i>rotundata</i>   |
| Broad-leaf pepper tree              | <i>Schinus terebinthifolius</i>                                  |
| Chinese tallow tree                 | <i>Triadica sebifera</i>                                         |
| Giant devils fig                    | <i>Solanum chrysotrichum</i>                                     |
| Giant rats tail grass               | <i>Sporobolus pyramidalis</i>                                    |
| Green cestrum                       | <i>Cestrum parqui</i>                                            |
| Groundsel bush                      | <i>Baccharis halimifolia</i>                                     |
| Honey locust                        | <i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>                                     |
| Kudzu                               | <i>Pueraria lobata</i>                                           |
| Mahonia / Chinese holly             | <i>Berberis lomariifolia</i> (syn. <i>Mahonia lomariifolia</i> ) |
| Montpellier broom / Cape broom      | <i>Genista monspessulana</i>                                     |
| Mysore thorn                        | <i>Caesalpinia decapetala</i>                                    |
| Yellow bells                        | <i>Tecoma stans</i>                                              |
| White blackberry / Mysore raspberry | <i>Rubus niveus</i>                                              |

## Control class 4: Locally controlled weeds

Class 4 noxious weeds are plants that pose a potentially serious threat to primary production, the environment or human health, are widely distributed in an area to which the order applies and are likely to spread in the area or to another area.

The growth of the plant must be managed in a manner that continuously inhibits the ability of the plant to spread and the plant must not be sold, propagated or knowingly distributed.

| Common name                                                          | Botanical name                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| Bathurst, Noogoora, Hunter, South American, California/ cockle burrs | <i>Xanthium</i> species                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Bitou bush – Ballina, Byron, Lismore Kyogle and Richmond Valley      | <i>Chrysanthemoides monilifera</i> subspecies <i>rotundata</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Blackberry                                                           | <i>Rubus fruticosus</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Black willow                                                         | <i>Salix nigra</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Camphor laurel                                                       | <i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Cats claw creeper                                                    | <i>Dolichandra unguis-cati</i> (syn. <i>Macfadyena unguis-cati</i> )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Chilean needle grass                                                 | <i>Nassella neesiana</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Chinese celtis                                                       | <i>Celtis sinensis</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Cockspur coral tree                                                  | <i>Erythrina crista-galli</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| East Indian hygrophila / Hygro                                       | <i>Hygrophila polysperma</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Harrisia cactus                                                      | <i>Harrisia</i> species                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Lantana                                                              | <i>Lantana</i> species                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Mother of millions                                                   | <i>Bryophyllum daigremontianum</i> (syn. <i>Kalanchoe daigremontiana</i> ); <i>B. delagoense</i> (syn. <i>K. delagoense</i> , <i>B. tubiflorum</i> , <i>K. tubiflora</i> ); <i>B. xhoughtonii</i> (syn. <i>K. xhoughtonii</i> , <i>B. daigremontianum</i> , <i>B. delagoense</i> , <i>B. daigremontianum</i> , <i>B. tubiflorum</i> , <i>K. daigremontianax</i> , <i>K. tubiflora</i> ); <i>B. pinnatum</i> (syn. <i>K. pinnata</i> , <i>B. calycinum</i> ); <i>B. proliferum</i> (syn. <i>K. prolifera</i> ) |
| Pampas grass                                                         | <i>Cortaderia</i> species                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Prickly pear                                                         | <i>Cylindropuntia</i> species                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Prickly pear                                                         | <i>Opuntia</i> species except <i>O. ficus-indica</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Privet (broad-leaf)                                                  | <i>Ligustrum lucidum</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Privet (narrow-leaf / Chinese)                                       | <i>Ligustrum sinense</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Rhus tree                                                            | <i>Toxicodendron succedanea</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Salvinia                                                             | <i>Salvinia molesta</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Serrated tussock                                                     | <i>Nassella trichotoma</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| St Johns wort                                                        | <i>Hypericum perforatum</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

Plant must not be sold, propagated or knowingly distributed.

| Common name                             | Botanical name                                                                                                                             |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| African boxthorn                        | <i>Lycium ferocissimum</i>                                                                                                                 |
| Arrowhead                               | <i>Sagittaria calycina</i> variety <i>calycina</i> (syn. <i>Sagittaria montevidensis</i> subspecies <i>calycina</i> )                      |
| Bridal creeper                          | <i>Asparagus asparagoides</i> (syn. <i>Myrsiphyllum asparagoides</i> , <i>Asparagus medeoloides</i> )                                      |
| Fireweed                                | <i>Senecio madagascariensis</i>                                                                                                            |
| Flax-leaf broom                         | <i>Genista linifolia</i>                                                                                                                   |
| Giant reed / Elephant grass             | <i>Arundo donax</i>                                                                                                                        |
| Ground asparagus                        | <i>Asparagus aethiopicus</i> (syn. <i>Protasparagus aethiopicus</i> )                                                                      |
| Leafy elodea / Dense waterweed / Egeria | <i>Egeria densa</i> (syn. <i>Elodia densa</i> )                                                                                            |
| Lippia                                  | <i>Phyla canescens</i>                                                                                                                     |
| Sagittaria                              | <i>Sagittaria platyphylla</i> (syn. <i>Sagittaria graminea</i> variety <i>platyphylla</i> )                                                |
| Scotch broom                            | <i>Cytisus scoparius</i>                                                                                                                   |
| Willows                                 | <i>Salix</i> species except <i>S. babylonica</i> , <i>S. xreichardtii</i> , <i>S. xcalodendron</i> , <i>S. cinerea</i> and <i>S. nigra</i> |

## Control class 5: Restricted plants

Class 5 noxious weeds are plants that are likely, by their sale or the sale of their seeds or movement within the state or an area of the state, to spread in the state or outside the state.

Owners or occupiers of land must notify their Local Control Authority (Rous County Council) within 24 hours after becoming aware of the unnatural spread of these weeds on land or the sale of same.

| Common name              | Botanical name                                                                                                          |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| African feather grass    | <i>Cenchrus macrourus</i> or <i>Pennisetum macrourum</i>                                                                |
| African turnip weed      | <i>Sisymbrium runcinatum</i> and <i>Sisymbrium thellungii</i>                                                           |
| Annual ragweed           | <i>Ambrosia artemisiifolia</i>                                                                                          |
| Artichoke thistle        | <i>Cynara cardunculus</i>                                                                                               |
| Athel tree / Athel pine  | <i>Tamarix aphylla</i>                                                                                                  |
| Bear-skin fescue         | <i>Festuca gautieri</i> or <i>Festuca scorparia</i>                                                                     |
| Burr ragweed             | <i>Ambrosia confertiflora</i>                                                                                           |
| Cabomba                  | All <i>Cabomba</i> species except <i>C. furcata</i>                                                                     |
| Cayenne snakeweed        | <i>Stachytarpheta cayennensis</i>                                                                                       |
| Clockweed                | <i>Oenothera curtiflora</i> or <i>Gaura parviflora</i>                                                                  |
| Corn sowthistle          | <i>Sonchus arvensis</i>                                                                                                 |
| Dodder                   | All <i>Cuscuta</i> species except the native species <i>C. australis</i> , <i>C. tasmanica</i> and <i>C. Victoriana</i> |
| Espartillo               | <i>Achnatherum brachychaetum</i>                                                                                        |
| Fine-bristled burr grass | <i>Cenchrus brownii</i>                                                                                                 |
| Fountain grass           | <i>Pennisetum setaceum</i>                                                                                              |
| Gallons curse            | <i>Cenchrus biflorus</i>                                                                                                |
| Gamba grass              | <i>Andropogon gayanus</i>                                                                                               |
| Glaucous star thistle    | <i>Carthamus glaucus</i>                                                                                                |
| Golden thistle           | <i>Scolymus hispanicus</i>                                                                                              |
| Mexican poppy            | <i>Argemone mexicana</i>                                                                                                |
| Mossman river grass      | <i>Cenchrus echinatus</i>                                                                                               |
| Red rice                 | <i>Oryza rufipogon</i>                                                                                                  |
| Smooth-stemmed turnip    | <i>Brassica barrelieri</i> subspecies <i>oxyrrhina</i>                                                                  |
| Soldier thistle          | <i>Picnomon acarna</i>                                                                                                  |
| Texas blueweed           | <i>Helianthus ciliaris</i>                                                                                              |
| Yellow nutgrass          | <i>Cyperus esculentus</i>                                                                                               |