



Kitsap County

2026 Noxious Weed List

RCW 17.10.090 requires county noxious weed 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 2026 noxious weed list following a public hearing on February 11, 2026.

Visit <https://www.nwcb.wa.gov/whats-new> to learn more about the changes to the Washington State Noxious Weed List in 2026. Washington Administrative Code (WAC) [16-750](#) contains the latest state noxious weed list adopted by the Washington State Noxious Weed Control Board.



2026 Updates

CLASS A

- The addition of **waterhemp**, *Amaranthus tuberculatus*
- The addition of **delta arrowhead**, *Sagittaria platyphylla*
- The addition of **sunflower broomrape**, *Orobanche cumana*

CLASS C

- The addition of **Norway maple**, *Acer platanoides*
- The addition of **English or common holly**, *Ilex aquifolium*
- The addition of **black locust**, *Robinia pseudoacacia*
- The designation for control of **Italian arum**, *Arum italicum* (pictured right).

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



CLASS A

Noxious weeds that are very rare or not yet established in Washington. Because they pose a serious threat to the state, **eradication is required**.



CLASS B

Noxious weeds that are present in Washington but are not widespread in every region of the state. In regions where they are still limited, control is required to stop them from spreading. In regions where they are already common, the local noxious weed board may require control.



CLASS C

Noxious weeds that are widespread in Washington. Class C species may be designated for local control by the Kitsap County Noxious Weed Control Board.



WEEDS OF CONCERN

These species are not currently on the state noxious weed list but are a concern to the Kitsap County Noxious Weed Control Board. Control and containment are encouraged.

Please see [WAC 16-750](#) for definitions and descriptions of each Class.

2026 KITSAP COUNTY NOXIOUS WEED LIST BY CLASS

Additions or Changes Highlighted and Underlined

CLASS A WEEDS

Eradication Required

Scientific Name	Common Name	Class
<i>Crupina vulgaris</i>	common crupina	A
<i>Spartina anglica</i>	cordgrass, common	A
<i>Spartina densiflora</i>	cordgrass, dense-flowered	A
<i>Spartina patens</i>	cordgrass, saltmeadow	A
<i>Spartina alterniflora</i>	cordgrass, smooth	A
<u><i>Sagittaria platyphylla</i></u>	<u>delta arrowhead</u>	A
<i>Isatis tinctoria</i>	dyer's woad	A
<i>Euphorbia oblongata</i>	eggleaf spurge	A
<i>Brachypodium sylvaticum</i>	false brome	A
<i>Ludwigia peploides</i>	floating primrose-willow	A
<i>Butomus umbellatus</i>	flowering rush	A
<i>Genista monspessulana</i>	French broom	A
<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	garlic mustard	A
<i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i>	giant hogweed	A
<i>Galega officinalis</i>	goatsrue	A
<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>	hydrilla	A
<i>Sorghum halepense</i>	Johnsongrass	A
<i>Centaurea macrocephala</i>	knapweed, bighead	A
<i>Centaurea nigrescens</i>	knapweed, Vochin	A
<i>Pueraria montana</i> var. <i>lobata</i>	kudzu	A
<i>Salvia pratensis</i>	meadow clary	A
<i>Clematis orientalis</i>	oriental clematis	A
<i>Amaranthus palmeri</i>	Palmer amaranth	A
<i>Centaurea calcitrapa</i>	purple starthistle	A
<i>Glyceria maxima</i>	reed sweetgrass	A
<i>Schoenoplectus mucronatus</i>	ricefield bulrush	A
<i>Celastrus orbiculatus</i>	round leaf bittersweet	A
<i>Salvia sclarea</i>	sage, clary	A
<i>Salvia aethiopsis</i>	sage, Mediterranean	A
<i>Solanum elaeagnifolium</i>	silverleaf nightshade	A
<i>Impatiens parviflora</i>	small-flowered jewelweed	A
<i>Limnobium laevigatum</i>	South American spongeplant	A
<i>Spartium junceum</i>	Spanish broom	A
<u><i>Orobanche cumana</i></u>	<u>Sunflower broomrape</u>	A
<i>Zygophyllum fabago</i>	Syrian beancaper	A
<i>Helianthus ciliaris</i>	Texas blueweed	A
<i>Carduus pycnocephalus</i>	thistle, Italian	A
<i>Cirsium palustre</i>	thistle, marsh	A
<i>Silybum marianum</i>	thistle, milk	A
<i>Carduus tenuiflorus</i>	thistle, slenderflower	A

<i>Carduus cinereus</i>	thistle, Turkish	A
<i>Myriophyllum heterophyllum</i> and <i>M. heterophyllum</i> x <i>M. hippuroides</i>	variable-leaf milfoil and hybrid	A
<i>Amaranthus tuberculatus</i>	waterhemp	A
<i>Mirabilis nyctaginea</i>	wild four-o'clock	A

CLASS B WEEDS

Control Required for Designates (D)

Scientific Name	Common Name	Control Required (D)
<i>Echium vulgare</i>	blueweed	D
<i>Egeria densa</i>	Brazilian elodea	Non-Designate
<i>Anchusa arvensis</i>	bugloss, annual	D
<i>Anchusa officinalis</i>	bugloss, common	D
<i>Buddleja davidii</i>	butterfly bush	Non-Designate
<i>Alhagi maurorum</i>	camelthorn	D
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> (except <i>F. vulgare</i> var. <i>azoricum</i>)	common fennel, (except bulbous fennel)	D
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	common reed (nonnative genotypes only)	D
<i>Linaria dalmatica</i> ssp. <i>dalmatica</i>	Dalmatian toadflax	D
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	Eurasian watermilfoil	D
<i>Tussilago farfara</i>	European coltsfoot	D
<i>Cabomba caroliniana</i>	fanwort	D
<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	gorse	D
<i>Sagittaria graminea</i>	grass-leaved arrowhead	D
<i>Epilobium hirsutum</i>	hairy willowherb	D
<i>Carex pendula</i> , <i>C. pendula</i> subsp. <i>pendula</i> , <i>C. pendula</i> subsp. <i>agastachys</i>	hanging sedge	D
<i>Picris hieracioides</i>	hawkweed oxtongue	D
<i>Hieracium aurantiacum</i>	hawkweed, orange	D
<i>Hieracium</i> , subgenus <i>Pilosella</i>	hawkweeds: All nonnative species and hybrids of the meadow subgenus	D
<i>Hieracium</i> , subgenus <i>Hieracium</i>	hawkweeds: All nonnative species and hybrids of the wall subgenus	D
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	herb-Robert	Non-Designate
<i>Berteroa incana</i>	hoary alyssum	D
<i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>	houndstongue	D
<i>Amorpha fruticosa</i>	indigobush	D
<i>Centaurea nigra</i>	knapweed, black	D
<i>Centaurea jacea</i>	knapweed, brown	D
<i>Centaurea diffusa</i>	knapweed, diffuse	D
<i>Centaurea x moncktonii</i>	knapweed, meadow	D
<i>Rhaponticum repens</i>	knapweed, Russian	D
<i>Centaurea stoebe</i>	knapweed, spotted	D
<i>Polygonum x bohemicum</i>	knotweed, Bohemian	Non-Designate
<i>Polygonum sachalinense</i>	knotweed, giant	D
<i>Persicaria wallichii</i>	knotweed, Himalayan	D
<i>Polygonum cuspidatum</i>	knotweed, Japanese	Non-Designate

<i>Bassia scoparia</i>	kochia	D
<i>Ficaria verna</i>	lesser celandine	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>Centaurea melitensis</i>	Malta starthistle	D
<i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i>	parrotfeather	D
<i>Lepidium latifolium</i>	perennial pepperweed	D
<i>Conium maculatum</i>	poison hemlock	D
<i>Impatiens glandulifera</i>	policeman's helmet	D
<i>Tribulus terrestris</i>	puncturevine	D
<i>Saccharum ravennae</i>	Ravenna grass	Non-Designate
<i>Chaerophyllum temulum</i>	rough chervil	D
<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>	rush skeletonweed	D
<i>Tamarix ramosissima</i>	saltcedar	D
<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	Scotch broom	Non-Designate
<i>Geranium lucidum</i>	shiny geranium	D
<i>Thymelaea passerina</i>	spurge flax	Non-Designate
<i>Daphne laureola</i>	spurge laurel	Non-Designate
<i>Euphorbia esula</i>	spurge, leafy	D
<i>Euphorbia myrsinites</i>	spurge, myrtle	Non-Designate
<i>Potentilla recta</i>	sulfur cinquefoil	D
<i>Jacobaea vulgaris</i>	tansy ragwort	Non-Designate
<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>	tansy, common	D
<i>Carduus nutans</i>	thistle, musk	D
<i>Carduus acanthoides</i>	thistle, plumeless	D
<i>Onopordum acanthium</i>	thistle, Scotch	D
<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i>	velvetleaf	D
<i>Ludwigia hexapetala</i>	water primrose	D
<i>Bryonia alba</i>	white bryony	D
<i>Clinopodium vulgare</i>	wild basil	D
<i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i>	wild chervil	D
<i>Lamium galeobdolon</i>	yellow archangel	Non-Designate
<i>Nymphoides peltata</i>	yellow floatingheart	D
<i>Cyperus esculentus</i>	yellow nutsedge	D
<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>	yellow starthistle	D

CLASS C WEEDS

Control Required for Designates

Scientific Name	Common Name	Class
<i>Artemisia absinthium</i>	absinth wormwood	C
<i>Rorippa austriaca</i>	Austrian fieldcress	C
<i>Gypsophila paniculata</i>	babysbreath	C
<i>Ammophila arenaria</i> , <i>A. breviligulata</i> , and <i>A. arenaria</i> x <i>A. breviligulata</i>	Beach grasses, European, American, and hybrid	C
<i>Hyoscyamus niger</i>	black henbane	C
<u><i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i></u>	<u>black locust</u>	C
<i>Alopecurus myosuroides</i>	blackgrass	C
<i>Solanum rostratum</i>	buffalobur	C
<i>Secale cereale</i>	cereal rye	C
<i>Berberis vulgaris</i>	common barberry	C
<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>	common catsear	C
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	common groundsel	C
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	common St. Johnswort	C
<i>Dipsacus fullonum</i>	common teasel	C
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	curlyleaf pondweed	C
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	English hawthorn	C
<i>Hedera helix</i> 'Baltica', 'Pittsburgh', and 'Star', and <i>H. hibernica</i> 'Hibernica'	English ivy - four cultivars only	C
<u><i>Ilex aquifolium</i></u>	<u>English, common holly (except where commercially grown)</u>	C
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i> x <i>Myriophyllum sibiricum</i>	Eurasian watermilfoil hybrid	C
<i>Rubus laciniatus</i>	evergreen blackberry	C
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	field bindweed, morning glory	C
<i>Nymphaea odorata</i>	fragrant waterlily	C
<i>Pentaglottis sempervirens</i>	green alkanet	C
<i>Lepidium appelianum</i>	hairy whitetop	C
<i>Rubus bifrons</i> (<i>Rubus armeniacus</i>)	Himalayan blackberry	C
<i>Lepidium draba</i>	hoary cress	C
<u><i>Arum italicum</i></u>	<u>Italian arum</u>	C-Designate
<i>Nanozostera japonica</i>	Japanese eelgrass	C
<i>Aegilops cylindrica</i>	jointed goatgrass	C
<i>Cortaderia jubata</i>	jubata grass	C
<i>Soliva sessilis</i>	lawnweed	C
<i>Cenchrus longispinus</i>	longspine sandbur	C
<i>Taeniatherum caput-medusae</i>	medusahead	C
<i>Typha</i> species	nonnative cattail species and hybrids (reminder, does not include the native common cattail, <i>Typha latifolia</i>)	C
<u><i>Acer platanoides</i></u>	<u>Norway maple</u>	C
<i>Clematis vitalba</i>	old man's beard	C

<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>	oxeye daisy	C
<i>Cortaderia selloana</i>	Pampas grass	C
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>	perennial sowthistle	C
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	reed canarygrass	C
<i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i>	Russian olive	C
<i>Tripleurospermum inodorum</i>	scentless mayweed	C
<i>Cuscuta approximata</i>	smoothseed alfalfa dodder	C
<i>Centromadia pungens</i>	spikeweed	C
<i>Xanthium spinosum</i>	spiny cocklebur	C
<i>Impatiens capensis</i>	spotted jewelweed	C
<i>Sphaerophysa salsula</i>	Swainsonpea	C
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	thistle, bull	C
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	thistle, Canada	C
<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>	tree-of-heaven	C
<i>Ventenata dubia</i>	ventenata	C
<i>Silene latifolia</i>	white cockle	C
<i>Daucus carota</i>	wild carrot (except where commercially grown)	C
<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	yellow flag iris	C
<i>Linaria vulgaris</i>	yellow toadflax	C

WEEDS OF CONCERN

These species are not currently on the state noxious weed list but are a concern to the Kitsap County Noxious Weed Control Board. Control and containment are encouraged.

Scientific Name	Common Name
<i>Marsilea mutica</i>	Australian water clover
<i>Calystegia silvatica</i> ssp. <i>disjuncta</i> , <i>C. xlycana</i>	Bindweed
<i>Prunus avium</i>	bird cherry
<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>	bittersweet nightshade
<i>Cotoneaster rehderi</i>	Bullate cotoneaster
<u><i>Aponogeton distachyos</i></u>	<u>cape-pondweed</u>
<i>Prunus laurocerasus</i>	cherry laurel
<u><i>Akebia quinata</i></u>	<u>chocolate vine</u>
<u><i>Salix x fragilis</i></u>	<u>crack willow</u>
<i>Ranunculus repens</i>	creeping buttercup
<i>Quercus robur</i>	English oak
<i>Lingustrum vulgare</i>	European privet
<i>Cotoneaster franchetii</i>	Franchet cotoneaster
<i>Petasites japonicus</i>	Fuki
<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>	horse chestnut
<u><i>Carpobrotus edulis</i></u>	<u>ice plant</u>
<u><i>Vinca major</i></u>	<u>periwinkle</u>
<i>Prunus lusitanica</i>	Portugal laurel
<i>Pyracantha coccinea</i>	Scarlet firethorn
<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	Siberian elm
<i>Persicaria maculosa</i>	Spotted ladythumb
<u><i>Galium odoratum</i></u>	<u>sweet woodruff</u>
<i>Galium odoratum</i>	Sweetscented bedstraw
<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	Sycamore maple
<i>Prunus cerasifera</i>	Thundercloud plum
<i>Vinca minor</i>	Vinca
<i>Viburnum lantana</i>	Wayfaring tree