

2021 King County Weed List

Common name	Scientific name	Class or Category (see note below)
common crupina	<i>Crupina vulgaris</i>	A
cordgrass, common	<i>Spartina anglica</i>	A
cordgrass, dense flowered	<i>Spartina densiflora</i>	A
cordgrass, salt meadow	<i>Spartina patens</i>	A
cordgrass, smooth	<i>Spartina alterniflora</i>	A
dyers woad	<i>Isatis tinctoria</i>	A
eggleaf spurge	<i>Euphorbia oblongata</i>	A
false brome	<i>Brachypodium sylvaticum</i>	A
floating primrose-willow	<i>Ludwigia peploides</i>	A
flowering-rush	<i>Butomus umbellatus</i>	A
French broom	<i>Genista monspessulana</i>	A
garlic mustard	<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	A
giant hogweed	<i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i>	A
goatsrue	<i>Galega officinalis</i>	A
hydrilla	<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>	A
Johnsongrass	<i>Sorghum halepense</i>	A
knapweed, bighead	<i>Centaurea macrocephala</i>	A
knapweed, Vochin	<i>Centaurea nigrescens</i>	A
kudzu	<i>Pueraria montana</i> var. <i>lobata</i>	A
meadow clary	<i>Salvia pratensis</i>	A
oriental clematis	<i>Clematis orientalis</i>	A
purple starthistle	<i>Centaurea calcitrapa</i>	A
reed sweetgrass	<i>Glyceria maxima</i>	A
ricefield bulrush	<i>Schoenoplectus mucronatus</i>	A
sage, clary	<i>Salvia sclarea</i>	A
sage, Mediterranean	<i>Salvia aethiopis</i>	A
silverleaf nightshade	<i>Solanum elaeagnifolium</i>	A
small-flowered jewelweed	<i>Impatiens parviflora</i>	A
South American spongeplant	<i>Limnobium laevigatum</i>	A
Spanish broom	<i>Spartium junceum</i>	A
Syrian bean-caper	<i>Zygophyllum fabago</i>	A
Texas blueweed	<i>Helianthus ciliaris</i>	A
thistle, Italian	<i>Carduus pycnocephalus</i>	A
thistle, milk	<i>Silybum marianum</i>	A
thistle, slenderflower	<i>Carduus tenuiflorus</i>	A
thistle, Turkish	<i>Carduus cinereus</i>	A
variable-leaf milfoil	<i>Myriophyllum heterophyllum</i>	A
wild four o'clock	<i>Mirabilis nyctaginea</i>	A
blueweed; viper's bugloss	<i>Echium vulgare</i>	B-Reg
bugloss, annual	<i>Lycopus arvensis</i>	B-Reg
bugloss, common	<i>Anchusa officinalis</i>	B-Reg
camelthorn	<i>Alhagi maurorum</i>	B-Reg
common reed (non-native genotypes)	<i>Phragmites australis</i>	B-Reg
Dalmatian toadflax	<i>Linaria dalmatica</i> ssp. <i>dalmatica</i>	B-Reg

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Egeria; Brazilian elodea (see note 1 below)	Egeria densa	B-Reg
European coltsfoot	Tussilago farfara	B-Reg
fanwort	Cabomba caroliniana	B-Reg
gorse	Ulex europaeus	B-Reg
grass-leaved arrowhead	Sagittaria graminea	B-Reg
hairy willowherb	Epilobium hirsutum	B-Reg
hawkweeds: all non-native species and hybrids of the meadow subgenus (see note 2 below)	Hieracium, subgenus Pilosella	B-Reg
hawkweed, European	Hieracium sabaudum	B-Reg
hawkweed, orange	Hieracium aurantiacum	B-Reg
hawkweed oxtongue	Picris hieracioides	B-Reg
hoary alyssum	Berteroa incana	B-Reg
houndstongue	Cynoglossum officinale	B-Reg
indigobush	Amorpha fruticosa	B-Reg
knapweed, black	Centaurea nigra	B-Reg
knapweed, brown	Centaurea jacea	B-Reg
knapweed, diffuse	Centaurea diffusa	B-Reg
knapweed, meadow	Centaurea x gerstlaueri	B-Reg
knapweed, Russian	Rhaponticum repens	B-Reg
knapweed, spotted	Centaurea stoebe	B-Reg
kochia	Bassia scoparia	B-Reg
loosestrife, garden	Lysimachia vulgaris	B-Reg
loosestrife, purple	Lythrum salicaria	B-Reg
parrotfeather	Myriophyllum aquaticum	B-Reg
perennial pepperweed	Lepidium latifolium	B-Reg
poison-hemlock (on public lands and public rights-of-way)	Conium maculatum	B-Reg
policeman's helmet	Impatiens glandulifera	B-Reg
rush skeletonweed	Chondrilla juncea	B-Reg
saltcedar	Tamarix ramosissima	B-Reg
shiny geranium	Geranium lucidum	B-Reg
spurge, leafy	Euphorbia virgata	B-Reg
starthistle, Malta	Centaurea melitensis	B-Reg
starthistle, yellow	Centaurea solstitialis	B-Reg
sulfur cinquefoil	Potentilla recta	B-Reg
tansy ragwort (see note 3 below)	Jacobaea vulgaris	B-Reg
thistle, musk	Carduus nutans	B-Reg
thistle, plumeless	Carduus acanthoides	B-Reg
thistle, Scotch	Onopordum acanthium	B-Reg
velvetleaf	Abutilon theophrasti	B-Reg
water primrose	Ludwigia hexapetala	B-Reg
white bryony	Bryonia alba	B-Reg
wild chervil	Anthriscus sylvestris	B-Reg

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yellow floating heart	Nymphoides peltata	B-Reg
yellow nutsedge	Cyperus esculentus	B-Reg
absinth wormwood	Artemisia absinthium	C-Reg
buffalobur	Solanum rostratum	C-Reg
blackberry, evergreen	Rubus laciniatus	C-NonReg
blackberry, Himalayan	Rubus bifrons	C-NonReg
butterfly bush	Buddleia davidii	B-NonReg
common barberry	Berberis vulgaris	C-NonReg
common catsear	Hypochaeris radicata	C-NonReg
common fennel (except bulbing variety azoricum)	Foeniculum vulgare	B-NonReg
common groundsel	Senecio vulgaris	C-NonReg
common hawthorn	Crataegus monogyna	C-NonReg
common St. Johnswort (see note 4 below)	Hypericum perforatum	C-NonReg
common tansy	Tanacetum vulgare	C-NonReg
common teasel	Dipsacus fullonum	C-NonReg
curly-leaf pondweed	Potamogeton crispus	C-NonReg
Eurasian watermilfoil	Myriophyllum spicatum	B-NonReg
Eurasian watermilfoil hybrid	Myriophyllum spicatum x. M. sibiricum	C-NonReg
field bindweed	Convolvulus arvensis	C-NonReg
fragrant water lily	Nymphaea odorata	C-NonReg
hairy whitetop	Lepidium appelianum	C-NonReg
hawkweeds; all non-native species and hybrids of the wall subgenus except European hawkweed (see note 5 below)	Hieracium, subgenus Hieracium (except Hieracium sabaudum)	B-NonReg
herb Robert	Geranium robertianum	B-NonReg
hoary cress	Lepidium draba	C-NonReg
Italian arum	Arum italicum	C-NonReg
ivy, Atlantic	Hedera hibernica	C-NonReg
ivy, English	Hedera helix 'Baltica', Hedera helix 'Pittsburgh', Hedera helix 'Star'	C-NonReg
jubata grass	Cortaderia jubata	C-NonReg
knotweed, hybrid; Bohemian (see note 5 below)	Fallopia x bohémica	B-NonReg
knotweed, giant (see note 5 below)	Fallopia sachalinensis	B-NonReg
knotweed, Himalayan (see note 5 below)	Persicaria wallichii	B-NonReg
knotweed, itadori; Japanese (see note 5 below)	Fallopia japonica	B-NonReg
lesser celandine	Ficaria verna	B-NonReg
old man's beard	Clematis vitalba	C-NonReg
oxeye daisy	Leucanthemum vulgare	C-NonReg

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nonnative cattail species and hybrids (does not include native species common cattail)	Typha angustifolia, T. domingensis, and T. x glauca (and any other nonnative Typha spp.) (does not include native cattail T. latifolia)	C-NonReg
Pampas grass	Cortaderia selloana	C-NonReg
perennial sowthistle	Sonchus arvensis ssp. arvensis	C-NonReg
Ravenna grass	Tripidium ravennae	B-NonReg
reed canarygrass	Phalaris arundinacea	C-NonReg
scentless mayweed	Tripleurospermum inodorum	C-NonReg
Scotch broom (see note 6 below)	Cytisus scoparius	B-NonReg
spiny cocklebur	Xanthium spinosum	C-NonReg
spotted jewelweed	Impatiens capensis	C-NonReg
spurge laurel	Daphne laureola	B-NonReg
thistle, bull	Cirsium vulgare	C-NonReg
thistle, creeping; Canada	Cirsium arvense	C-NonReg
tree-of-heaven	Ailanthus altissima	C-NonReg
ventenata	Ventenata dubia	C-NonReg
white cockle	Silene latifolia	C-NonReg
wild carrot	Daucus carota	C-NonReg
yellow archangel	Lamium galeobdolon	B-NonReg
yellow flag iris	Iris pseudacorus	C-NonReg
yellow toadflax	Linaria vulgaris	C-NonReg
bird cherry	Prunus avium	Weed of Concern
bird's-foot trefoil	Lotus corniculatus	Weed of Concern
bishop's weed	Aegopodium podagraria	Weed of Concern
bittersweet nightshade	Solanum dulcamara	Weed of Concern
black locust	Robinia pseudoacacia	Weed of Concern
buttercup, creeping	Ranunculus repens	Weed of Concern
buttercup, tall	Ranunculus acris	Weed of Concern
cherry laurel	Prunus laurocerasus	Weed of Concern
English holly	Ilex aquifolium	Weed of Concern
European mountain-ash	Sorbus aucuparia	Weed of Concern
hanging sedge	Carex pendula	Weed of Concern
hedge bindweed, morning glory	Convolvulus sepium	Weed of Concern
horse-chestnut	Aesculus hippocastanum	Weed of Concern
multiflora rose	Rosa multiflora	Weed of Concern
rough chervil	Chaerophyllum temulum	Weed of Concern
silver lace vine	Fallopia baldschuanica (syn. Polygonum aubertii)	Weed of Concern
NOTES		

Classes A, B and C are WA State Listed Noxious Weeds. All Class A weeds are regulated and eradication is required. B-Reg and C-Reg species are either designated by the State or selected by the County for required control. B-NonReg and C-NonReg are not designated or selected and control is not required. Weeds of Concern are not State Noxious Weeds and control is not required.

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1. Egeria is designated for control throughout King County except in Lake Washington, Lake Sammamish, Lake Union, Lake Fenwick, Lake Doloff and the Sammamish River.		
2. Non-native yellow-flowered hawkweeds (<i>Hieracium</i> species) are consolidated into two Class B listings by subgenus - meadow (<i>Pilosella</i>) and wall (<i>Hieracium</i>). All species of the meadow subgenus are designated by the State Weed Board for required control in King County. The species European hawkweed (<i>Hieracium sabaudum</i>) in the wall hawkweed subgenus has been selected by the King County Weed Board for required control throughout King County. Control of all other species in the wall hawkweed subgenus is not required in King County.		
3. Tansy ragwort is not designated by the State Weed Board for control in King County, but has been selected by the King County Weed Board for required control in all areas of King County.		
4. Permit from KC Weed Board required to grow common St. Johnswort as a crop in King County.		
5. Control of hybrid, itadori, giant, and Himalayan knotweed is required on the Green River and its tributaries upstream of the Auburn City Limits and on the Cedar River and its tributaries upstream of the Renton City Limits (tributaries included are those defined as Type S, F or N aquatic areas in KCC 21A.24.355). Control of these invasive knotweed species is required up to the ordinary high water mark (or up to the top of the bank if the ordinary high water mark cannot be identified) and in the adjacent buffer area as specified in KCC 21A.24.358. This requirement to control knotweed is contingent upon the noxious weed program or program partners providing knotweed control services in the selected area for affected private landowners who request assistance.		
6. Control of Scotch broom is required on the right-of-way of King County's section of SR-2 and on the I-90 right-of-way between mile marker 34 and the King/Kittitas county line.		