

33 Invasive Plants Prohibited from Sale in Maine

What you need to Know



In January 2017 changes were adopted to CMR 01-001 Chapter 273: Criteria for Listing Invasive Terrestrial Plants. These changes make it illegal to sell, import, export, buy or intentionally propagate for sale the 33 plant species listed below.

Acer ginnala (amur maple)
Acer platanoides (Norway maple)
Aegopodium podagraria (bishop's weed)
Ailanthus altissima (tree of heaven)
Alliaria petiolata (garlic mustard)
Amorpha fruticosa (false indigo bush)
Ampelopsis glandulosa (porcelain berry)
Artemisia vulgaris (common mugwort)
Berberis thunbergii (Japanese barberry)
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Celastrus orbiculatus (Asiatic bittersweet)
Elaeagnus umbellata (Autumn olive)
Euonymus alatus (winged euonymus)
Euphorbia cyparissias (cypress spurge)
Fallopia baldschuanica (Chinese bindweed)
Fallopia japonica (Japanese knotweed)
Frangula alnus (glossy buckthorn)

Hesperis matronalis (dame's rocket)
Impatiens glandulifera (ornamental jewelweed)
Iris pseudacorus (yellow iris)
Ligustrum vulgare (common privet)
Lonicera japonica (Japanese honeysuckle)
Lonicera maackii (amur or bush honeysuckle)
Lonicera morrowii (Morrow's honeysuckle)
Lonicera tatarica (Tatarian honeysuckle)
Lythrum salicaria (purple loosestrife)
Microstegium vimineum (Japanese stilt grass)
Paulownia tomentosa (paulownia, princess tree)
Persicaria perfoliata (mile-a-minute)
Phellodendron amurense (amur cork tree)
Populus alba (white cottonwood)
Robinia pseudoacacia (black locust)
Rosa multiflora (multiflora rose)

Quick Facts

- Businesses selling plants have until **January 1, 2018** to sell any remaining plants.
- The ban includes the listed species and all cultivars, varieties and hybrids.
- Variances may be applied for and granted for scientific research and for varieties, cultivars or hybrids that have been shown to not be invasive through peer reviewed scientific research.
- The invasive plant rule and included prohibited plant list will be reviewed every 5 years.

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