

## NOTICE TO RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS REGARDING NOXIOUS WEEDS

May 1, 2025

The Township of Wainfleet hereby gives notice, pursuant to the Province of Ontario's Weed Control Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.W.5, to persons in possession of property not exceeding ten (10) acres in size that unless noxious weeds and weed seeds thereon are destroyed by June 1 and throughout the season, that the municipality may otherwise enter the property and have the weeds or weed seeds destroyed and charging all the costs thereof against the land as set out in the Weed Control Act.

The intent of the Weed Control Act is to reduce:

1. The infestation of noxious weeds that negatively impact on agriculture and horticulture lands.
2. Plant diseases by eliminating plant disease hosts such as common barberry and European buckthorn.
3. Health hazards to livestock and agricultural workers caused by poisonous plants.

The co-operation of all residents and property owners is greatly appreciated. Please contact the Township appointed Weed Inspectors with any questions or concerns.

### Noxious Weeds

1	Black Dog- Strangling Vine	14	Kudzu
2	Bull Thistle	15	Leafy Spurge
3	Canada Thistle	16	Poison Hemlock
4	Coltsfoot	17	Poison Ivy
5	Common Barberry	18	Ragweed
6	Common Crupina	19	Serrated Tussock
7	Cypress Spurge	20	Smooth Bedstraw
8	Dodder	21	Snow Thistle
9	Dog-Strangling Vine	22	Tansy Ragwort
10	European Buckthorn	23	Wild Chervil
11	Giant Hogweed	24	Wild Parsnip
12	Jointed Goatgrass	25	Woolly Cupgrass
13	Knapweed	26	Diseased Fruit Trees

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**NOTE:** Giant Hogweed is a toxic plant that can grow to heights of 15-20 feet and can cause permanent blindness and burn the skin. **Extreme caution must be used when cutting or destroying this weed.**

Further information about the Weed Control Act and specific noxious weeds are on the [Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs website.](#)