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In order to protect native plant species and thwart the growth of invasive plant species, 38 plants have been declared invasive in Ohio. No person shall sell, offer for sale, propagate, distribute, import or intentionally cause the dissemination of any invasive plant in the state of Ohio.

Callery pear (Pyrus calleryana) can be sold until January 2023.

Shipments to other states:

Many other states also have regulations prohibiting or restricting the sales of certain plants that have been deemed to be invasive or noxious. Please check with your nursery inspector if you have questions about shipping plants out of Ohio and to ensure you have the most current lists of prohibited invasive plants.

A five-person invasive plant advisory committee will review potential future additions to the invasive plant list.

The following plants are designated as invasive in Ohio:

Ailanthus altissima, tree-of-heaven; Alliaria petiolata, garlic mustard Berberis vulgaris, common barberry; Butomus umbellatus, flowering rush; Celastrus orbiculatus, oriental bittersweet; Centaurea stoebe ssp. Micranthos, spotted knapweed; Dipsacus fullonum, common teasel; Dipsacus laciniatus, cutleaf teasel; Egeria densa Brazilian, elodea; Elaeagnus angustifolia, russian olive; Elaeagnus umbellata, autumn olive; Epilobium hirsutum; hairy willow herb; Frangula alnus, glossy buckthorn; Heracleum mantegazzianum, giant hogweed; Hesperis matronlis, dame's rocket; Hydrilla verticillata, hydrilla; Hydrocharis morsus-ranae, european frog-bit; Lonicera japonica, japanese honeysuckle; Lonicera maackii, amur honeysuckle; Lonicera morrowii, morrow's honeysuckle; Lonicera tatarica, tatarian honeysuckle; Lythrum salicaria, purple loosestrife;

Lythrum virgatum, european wand loosestrife Microstegium vimineum, japanese stiltgrass; Myriophyllum aquaticum, parrotfeather; Myriophyllum spicatum, eurasian water-milfoil; Nymphoides peltata, yellow floating heart; Phragmites australis, common reed; Potamogeton crispus, curly-leaved pondweed; Pueraria montana var. lobate, kudzu; Pyrus calleryana, callery pear; (effective January 2023) Ranunculus ficaria, fig buttercup/lesser celandine: Rhamnus cathartica, european buckthorn; Rosa multiflora; multiflora rose Trapa natans, water chestnut; Typha angustifolia, narrow-leaved cattail; Typha x glauca, hybrid cattail; Vincetoxicum nigrum, black dog-strangling vine, black swallowwort