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Invasive Alien Plants - NEMBA List



On 3rd April 2009, Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism, Mr Marthinus van Schalkwyk, published (Gazette No. 32090) the following documents (see www.deat.gov.za) for 30 days of public comment:

The 2nd draft of the Alien and Invasive Species Regulations of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act No.10 of 2004);

Draft lists of categories of species exempted (section 66), prohibited alien species (section 67) and invasive species (section 70).

Should the regulations become law, any species designated under section 70 can not be propagated, grown, bought or sold by the industry without a permit. Below is a brief explanation of the three categories and the proposed list of invasive plants species (section 70 only).

Category 1a: Invasive species requiring compulsory control. Remove and destroy. Any specimens of Category 1a listed species need, by law, to be eradicated from the environment. No permits will be issued.

Category 1b: Invasive species requiring compulsory control as part of an invasive species control programme. Remove and destroy. These plants are deemed to have such a high invasive potential that infestations can qualify to be placed under a government sponsored invasive species management programme. No permits will be issued.

Category 2: Invasive species regulated by area. A demarcation permit is required to import, possess, grow, breed, move, sell, buy or accept as a gift any plants listed as Category 2 plants. No permits will be issued for Cat 2 plants to exist in riparian zones.

Category 3: Invasive species regulated by activity. An individual plant permit is required to undertake any of the following restricted activities (import, possess, grow, breed, move, sell, buy or accept as a gift) involving a Category 3 species. No permits will be issued for Cat 3 plants to exist in riparian zones.

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Invasive Alien Plants - CARA List

Category 1: Invader plants must be removed & destroyed immediately

Category 2: Invader plants may be grown under controlled conditions only

Category 3: Invader plants may no longer be planted

Kind of plant (Botanical name)	Common Name	Category
Acacia baileyana	Bailey's wattle	3
Acacia cyclops	Rooikrans	2
Acacia dealbata	Silver wattle	Category 1 plant in Western Cape Category 2 plant in the rest of South Africa
Acacia decurrens	Green wattle	2
Acacia elata	Pepper tree wattle	3
Acacia implexa	Screw - pod wattle	1
Acacia longifolia	Long - leaved wattle	1
Acacia mearnsii	Black wattle	2
Acacia melanoxylon	Australian blackwood	2
Acacia paradoxa	Kangaroo wattle	1
Acacia podalyriifolia	Pearl acacia	3
Acacia pycnantha	Golden wattle	1
Acacia saligna	Port Jackson willow	2
Achyranthes aspera	Burweed	1
Agave sisalana	Sisal hemp, Sisal	2
Ageratina adenophora	Crofton weed	1
Ageratina riparia	Mistflower	1
Ageratum conyzoides	Invading ageratum	1
Ageratum houstonianum	Mexican ageratum	1
Ailanthus altissima	Tree-of-heaven	3
Albizia lebeck	Lebeck tree	1
Albizia procera	False lebeck	1
Alhagi maurorum	Camel thorn bush	1
Anredera cordifolia	Madeira vine, Brida wreath	1
Araujia sericifera	Moth catcher	1
Ardisia crenata	Coralberry tree, Coral bush	Category 1 plant only in Northern Province, Kwa Zulu-Natal & Mpumalanga
Argemone mexicana	Yellow - flowered Mexican poppy	1

Argemone ochroleuca	White - flowered Mexican poppy	1
Arundo donax	Giant reed, Spanish reed	1
Atriplex lindley	Sponge - fruit saltbush	3
Atriplex nummularia	Old man saltbush	2
Azolla filiculoides	Red water fern	1
Bauhinia purpurea	Butterfly orchid tree	3
Bauhinia variegata	Orchid tree	3
Bryophyllum delagoense	Chandelier plant	1
Caesalpinia decapetala	Mauritius thorn	1
Campuloclinium macrocephalum	Pom pom weed	1
Canna indica	Indian shot	1
Cardiospermum grandiflorum	Balloon vine	1
Casuarina cunninghamiana	Beefwood	2
Casuarina equisetifolia	Horsetail tree	2
Cereus jamacaru	Queen of the Night	1
Cestrum aurantiacum	Yellow or Orange cestrum	1
Cestrum elegans	Crimson cestrum	1
Cestrum laevigatum Schtdl	Inkberry	1
Cestrum parqui	Chilean cestrum	1
Chromolaena odorata	Triffid weed, Chromolaena	1
Cinnamomum camphora	Camphor tree	Category 1 plant only in the Northern Province, KwaZulu-Natal & Mpumalanga
Cirsium vulgare	Spear thistle, Scotch thistle	1
Convolvulus arvensis	Field bindweed, Wild morning glory	1
Cortaderia jubata	Pampas grass	1
Cortaderia selloana	Pampas grass	1
Cotoneaster franchetii	Coloneaster	3
Cotoneaster pannosus	Silver - leaf cotoneaster	3
Cuscuta campestris	Common dodder	1
Cuscuta suaveolens	Lucerne dodder	1
Cytisus monspessulanus	Montpellier broom	1
Cytisus scoparius	Scotch broom	1
Datura ferox	Large thorn apple	1

Datura innoxia	Downy thorn apple	1	
Datura stramonium	Common thorn apple	1	
Echinopsis spachiana	Torch cactus	1	
Echium plantagineum	Patterson's curse	1	
Echium vulgare	Blue echium	1	
Egeria densa	Dense water weed	1	
Eichhornia crassipes	Water hyacinth	1	
Elodea canadensis	Canadian water weed	1	
Eriobotrya japonica	Loquat	3	
Eucalyptus camaldulensis	Red river gum	2	
Eucalyptus cladocalyx	Sugar gum	2	
Eucalyptus diversicolor	Karri	2	
Eucalyptus grandis	Saligna gum, Rose gum	2	
Eucalyptus lehmannii	Spider gum		Category 1 plant in the Western Cape Category 2 plant in the rest of South Africa
Eucalyptus paniculata	Grey ironbark	2	
Eucalyptus sideroxylon	Black ironbark, Red ironbark	2	
Eugenia uniflora	Pitanga, Surinam cherry		Category 1 plant in the Northern Province, KwaZulu-Natal and Mpumalanga Category 3 plant in the rest of South Africa
Gleditsia triacanthos	Honey locust, Sweet locust	2	
Grevillea robusta	Australian silky oak	3	
Hakea drupacea	Sweet hakea	1	
Hakea gibbosa	Rock hakea	1	
Hakea sericea	Silky hakea	1	
Harrisia martinii	Moon cactus, Harrisia cactus	1	
Hedychium coccineum	Red ginger lily	1	
Hedychium coronarium	White ginger lily	1	
Hedychium flavescens	Yellow ginger lily	1	
Hedychium gardnerianum	Kahili ginger lily	1	
Hypericum perforatum	St.Johns' wort, Tipton weed	2	
Ipomoea alba	Moonflower		Category 1 plant in the Northern Province,

		KwaZulu-Natal & Mpumalanga Category 3 plant in the rest of South Africa Category 1 plant in the Northern Province, KwaZulu-Natal & Mpumalanga Category 3 plant in the rest of South Africa
<i>Ipomoea indica</i>	Morning glory	
<i>Ipomoea purpurea</i>	Morning glory	3
<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Jacaranda	3
All seed producing species or seed producing hybrids of Lantana that are non-indigenous to Africa	Lantana/Lantana, Tickberry, Cherry Pie	1
<i>Lepidium</i>	Pepper - cres, Hoary cardaria, White top	1
<i>Leptospermum laevigatum</i>	Australian myrtle	1 Category 1 plant in the Western Cape
<i>Leucaena leucocephala</i>	Leucaena	Category 2 plant in South Africa, excluding Western Cape
<i>Ligustrum japonicum</i>	Japanese wax - leaved privet	3
<i>Ligustrum lucidum</i>	Chinese wax - leaved privet	3
<i>Ligustrum ovalifolium</i>	Californian privet	3
<i>Ligustrum sinense</i>	Chinese privet	3
<i>Ligustrum vulgare</i>	Common privet	3
<i>Lilium formosanum</i>	St Joseph's lily, Trumpet lily, Formosa lily	3
<i>Litsea glutinosa</i>	Indian laurel	1
<i>Lyrthrum salicaria</i>	Purple loosestrife	1
<i>Macfadyena unguis-cati</i>	Cat's claw creeper	1
<i>Melia azedarach</i>	"Syringa", Persian lilac	3
<i>Metrosideros excelsa</i>	New Zealand christmas tree	3
<i>Mimosa pigra</i>	Giant sensitive plant	3
<i>Montanoa hibiscifolia</i>	Tree daisy	1
<i>Morus alba</i>	White mulberry,	3

	Common mulberry	
Myoporum tenuifolium	Manatoka	3
Myriophyllum aquaticum	Parrot's feather	1
Myriophyllum spicatum	Spiked water - milfoil	1
Nassella tenuissima	White tussock	1
Nassella trichotoma	Nassella tussock	1
Nephrolepis exaltata	Sword fern	3
Nerium oleander	Oleander	1
Nicotiana glauca	Wild tobacco	1
Opuntia aurantiaca	Jointed cactus	1
Opuntia exaltata	Long spine cactus	1
Opuntia	Mission prickly pear,	1
	Sweet prickly pear	
	Large flowered prickly	
Opuntia humifusa	pear,	1
	Creeping prickly pear	
Opuntia imbricata	Imbricate cactus,	1
	Imbricate prickly pear	
Opuntia lindheimeri	Small round - leaved	1
	prickly pear	
Opuntia monacantha	Cochineal prickly pear,	1
	Drooping prickly pear	
Opuntia rosea	Rosea cactus	1
	Saucepan cactus,	
Opuntia spinulifera	Large roundleaved	1
	prickly pear	
Opuntia stricta	Pest pear of Australia	1
Orobanche minor	Lesser broomrape,	1
	Clover broomrape	
Paraserianthes lophantha	Austalian Albizia, Stink	1
	bean	
Parthenium hysterophorus	Parthenium	1
Passiflora caerulea	Blue passion flower	1
Passiflora molissima	Banana poka,	1
	Bandadilla	
Passiflora suberosa	Devil's pumpkin,	1
	Indigo berry	
Passiflora subpeltata	Grandina	1
Pennisetum setaceum	Fountain grass	1
Pennisetum villosum	Feathertop	1
Pereskia aculeata	Pereskia/Barbados	1
	gooseberry	
Phytolacca dioica	Belhambra	3

Pinus canariensis	Canary den	2
Pinus elliotti	Slash pine	2
Pinus halepensis	Aleppo pine	2
Pinus patula	Patula pine	2
Pinus pinaster	Cluster pine	2
Pinus radiata	Radiata pine, Monterey pine	2
Pinus roxburghii	Chir pine, longifolia pine	2
Pinus taeda	Loblolly pine	2
Pistia stratiotes	Water lettuce	1
Pittosporum undulatum	Australian cheesewood, Sweet pittosporum	1
Plectranthus comosus	Abyssinian' coleus, Wooly plectranthus	3
Pontederia cordata	Pickerel weed	3
Populus alba	White popular	2
Populus x canescens	Grey popular, Matchwood popular	2
Prosopis glandulosa	Honey mesquite	2
Proposis velutina	Velvet mesquite	2
Psidium cattleianum	Strawberry guava	3
Psidium guajava	Guava	2
Psidium guineense	Brazilian guava	3
Psidium x durbanensis	Durban guava	1
Pueraria lobata	Kudu vine	1
Pyranantha angustifolia	Yellow firethorn	3
Pyranantha crenulata	Himalayan firethorn	3
Rhus succedanea	Wax tree	1
Ricinus communis	Castor - oil plant	2
Rivina humilis	Rivina, Bloodberry	1
Robinia pseudoacacia	Black locust	2
Rorippa nasturtium - aquaticum	Watercress	2
Rosa rubiginosa	Eglantine, Sweetbriar	1
Rubus cuneifolius	American bramble	1
Rubus fruticosus	European blackberry	2
Salix babylonica	Weeping willow	2
Salix fragilis	Crack or brittle willow	2
Salvinia molesta	Kariba weed	1
Schinus terebinthifolius	Brazilian pepper tree	Category 1 in KwaZulu-Natal

		Category 3 in the rest of South Africa
Senna bicapsularis	Rambling cassia	3
Senna didymobotrya	Peanut butter cassia	3
Senna pendule		3
Sesbania punicea	Red sesbania	1
Solanum elaeagnifolium	Silver-leaf bitter apple	1
Solanum mauritianum	Bugweed	1
Solanum seaforthianum	Potato creeper	1
Solanum sisymbriifolium	Wild tomato, Dense - thorned bitter apple	2
Sorghum halepense	Johnson grass, Aleppo grass	2
Spartium junceum	Spanish broom	1
Syzygium cumini	Jambolan	3
Syzygium jambos	Rose apple	3
		Category 1 plant in the Northern, Western and Eastern Cape
Tamarix chinensis	Chinese tamarisk	Category 3 plant in the rest of South Africa
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Tamarix ramosissima	Pink tamarisk	Category 3 plant in the rest of South Africa
Tecoma stans	Yellow bells	1
		Category 1 in KwaZulu-Natal
Thelechitonia trilobata	Singapore daisy	Category 3 in the rest of South Africa
Thevetia	Yellow oleander	1
Tipuana tipu	Tipu tree	3
Tithonia diversifolia	Mexican sunflower	1
Tithonia rotundifolia	Red sunflower	1
Toona ciliata	Toon tree	3
Triplaris americana	Indian almond	1
Ulex europaeus	European gorse	1
Xanthium spinosum	Spiny cocklebur	1
Xanthium strumarium	Large cocklebur	1

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