

PlantWise Industry Code of Conduct

A Commitment
for Garden Centers,
Landscape Architects,
Growers, Suppliers
and Specifiers



Common Camas
(*Camassia quamash*)

THE INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL OF BC (ISCBC), IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE BC LANDSCAPE AND NURSERY ASSOCIATION (BCLNA) AND OTHER INDUSTRY LEADERS, HAS COLLABORATED WITH BC'S HORTICULTURE INDUSTRY TO IDENTIFY COST-EFFECTIVE, VOLUNTARY MEASURES TO STOP THE SALE OF KNOWN INVASIVE PLANTS AND TO PREVENT THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW INVASIVE VARIETIES.

This partnership effort aims to promote healthy local economies and ecosystems by encouraging the sale of non-invasive, climate-appropriate plants for BC's gardens and landscapes.

Invasive Plants to Phase Out of Use

Below is a list of 26 invasive ornamental plants to be phased out of the industry. This list has been compiled from the Grow Me Instead (GMI) resource available at beplantwise.ca. Species within these genera and sterile cultivars are considered suitable in the trade.



Baby's Breath
(*Gypsophila paniculata*)



Bachelor's Buttons
(*Centaurea cyanus*)



Blueweed
(*Echium vulgare*)



Butterfly Bush
(*Buddleja davidii*)



Common Periwinkle
(*Vinca minor*)



Common Tansy
(*Tanacetum vulgare*)



Daphne
(*Daphne laureola*)



English Holly
(*Ilex aquifolium*)



English Ivy
(*Hedera helix*)



Field Scabious
(*Knautia arvensis*)



Flowering Rush
(*Butomus umbellatus*)



Giant Hogweed
(*Heracleum mantegazzianum*)



Himalayan Balsam
(*Impatiens glandulifera*)



Himalayan Blackberry
(*Rubus armeniacus*)



Knotweeds
(*Fallopia japonica*,
F. sachalinensis,
Polygonum polystachyum)



Mountain Bluet
(*Centaurea montana*)



Orange Hawkweed
(*Hieracium aurantiacum*)



Oxeye Daisy
(*Leucanthemum vulgare*)



Purple Loosestrife
(*Lythrum salicaria*)



Russian Olive
(*Elaeagnus angustifolia*)



Scotch Broom
(*Cytisus scoparis*)



Spurges
(*Euphorbia esula*,
E. myrsinites, *E. cyparissias*)



Tamarisk
(*Tamarix chinensis*,
T. ramosissima)



Toadflax
(*Linaria vulgaris*,
L. genistifolia subsp. dalmatica)



Yellow Flag Iris
(*Iris pseudacorus*)



Yellow Archangel
(*Lamium galeobdolon*)

Please note that not all plants listed may be considered invasive in your region.

The purpose of the signed Code of Conduct is to provide the ornamental horticulture industry with a set of principles and practices that make a business invasive plant-free.

Commitment to the following principles and practices will reduce the introduction and spread of invasive ornamental plants in gardens and green spaces. The program aims to foster cooperation between horticulture and invasive plant professionals and encourages industry's help in educating customers on making PlantWise choices.

PRINCIPLES OF THE PLANTWISE INDUSTRY CODE OF CONDUCT:

- Synonymous with best management practices;
- Science-based;
- Consistent with existing regulations;
- Voluntary, self-regulatory and free;
- Foster cooperation between horticulture professionals and invasive plant specialists;
- Extension to customers/members.

PRACTICES OF THE PLANTWISE INDUSTRY CODE OF CONDUCT:

- Comply with provincial and regional regulations and bylaws;
- Stay informed;
- Educate people;
- Select only plants that are not known to be invasive;
- Identify plants in your business with both common and latin names;
- Grow/offer alternatives to the known invasive plants;
- Keep your business premises free of invasive plants;
- Dispose of invasive plants responsibly.

PLANTWISE CODE OF CONDUCT COMMITMENT

I agree to abide by the key principles and practices above.

Please check all that apply:

I am a grower

I am a retailer

I am a landscaper

I am a specifier

Other. Please specify: _____

Partner representative (Print Name):

Business name:

Address:

City:

Postal Code:

Phone:

Email:

Website:

Signature:

Date:

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Through province-wide cooperation and coordination, the Invasive Species Council of BC (ISCBC) is working to minimize the ecological, social, and economic impacts caused by the introduction, establishment, and spread of invasive species.

