



WEED CONTROL CLASS 4 MANAGEMENT PLAN

The control objective for weed control class 4 is to minimise the negative impact of those plants on the economy, community or environment of NSW.

NAME OF WEED: Privet	
Common names: Broad-leaf Privet Small-leaf Privet	Scientific names: <i>Ligustrum lucidum</i> <i>Ligustrum sinense</i>
The above mentioned weed is a noxious weed declared under section 7 of the Noxious Weeds Act 1993.	

AREA OF OPERATION & PHONE NUMBERS FOR LOCAL CONTROL AUTHORITIES:
Blue Mountains 4780 5000

CONTACT PERSON(S)
Weeds Officer: Ian Lett, Dave Whiteman Council: Blue Mountains City Council

PLAN PERIOD
Starting date: 10 November 2006 Completion date: 28 February 2011 (Unless otherwise revoked)

CONTROL MEASURES FOR THE WEED AS PER ORDER 19
The growth and spread of the plant must be controlled according to the measures specified in the management plan published by the local control authority. The plant may not be sold, propagated or knowingly distributed.
The Blue Mountains City Council specifies the following measures to control this weed:
For all infestations on privately owned land, unless maintained as a formal hedge where all flowering and fruiting is prevented, all plants must be removed/destroyed.
On public land Privet will be strategically controlled and reduced according to available resources. Requests for removal must be accompanied by a Doctor's Certificate stating that it is causing health problems.
Note: Notices will not be issued for Privet unless other Class 4 weeds are also present.

CONTROL REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS WEED IN THE AREA OF OPERATION
General information on control methods for this weed can be found at http://www.weedsbluemountains.org.au and in the most recent edition of the annual Noxious and Environmental Weed Control Handbook or at www.dpi.nsw.gov.au

All herbicide use is to be undertaken with a registered herbicide as specified on the herbicide product label or relevant off-label permit published by the Australian Pesticides & Veterinary Medicines Authority. Herbicide use must comply with the Pesticides Act 1999, all relevant legislation, and Blue Mountains City Council's Pesticide Notification Plan as of February 2007 where works are carried out on public lands.

Manual control.

Small plants (<1cm trunk diameter) can be hand pulled without breaking the root system. Assist the plant by handling the plant at the base and using a garden fork or knife to slowly pry out of the ground. Uprooted plants should be placed upside-down with their roots in the air, to dry out.

Trees (> 5cm trunk diameter) can be drilled/frilled and saplings (< 5cm trunk diameter) can be cut and painted and a registered herbicide applied. Herbicide should be applied within 30 seconds of making the cut to ensure maximum intake by the plant. Ringbarking has proven to be ineffective. Follow-up control may be necessary.

Herbicide control.

Use a registered herbicide. Spraying of the plant is often less effective than manual methods.

Note: For infestations in sensitive areas (i.e. Significant vegetation – Endangered Ecological Communities other scheduled vegetation, steep slopes, and creek line vegetation) the landholder will be required to develop a Weed Management Plan (WPM) that will stipulate the control measures. The WMP is to be endorsed by Council.

LINKAGES TO OTHER PLANS, STRATEGIES (Local, Regional, State and National):

Sydney North Regional Weeds Strategy
Sydney Metropolitan Catchment Weeds Strategy (currently being developed)
Hawkesbury Nepean Catchment Weeds Strategy (currently being developed)
Sydney Regional Privet Management Plan

SECTION 12 OBLIGATIONS (from the Noxious Weeds Act 1993)

Private occupiers of land must control noxious weeds on land.

An occupier (other than a public authority or a local control authority) of land to which a weed control order applies must control noxious weeds on the land as required under the order.

Failure to comply with a weed control order will incur a penalty.

Note: If an occupier fails to comply with obligations under a weed control order, those obligations may be enforced against the owner of the land as well as the occupier by a weed control notice issued under section 18.

PLAN ENDORSEMENT

This plan is endorsed by the Blue Mountains City Council.

Signed by: _____ Position: General Manager

Dated: _____

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