

Proposal for inclusion or exclusion on the National Pest Plant Accord

Submit proposals to:
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We recommend that when you fill the form you refer to the following documents for further information:

1. Appendix for criteria document (2010)
<http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/files/pests/plants/nppa/nppa-2009-tag-criteria-review.pdf>
2. Evaluation criteria for assessment of candidate species for inclusion in the National Pest Plant Accord (2005)
<http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/files/pests/plants/nppa/nppa-tag-eval-criteria.pdf>

Please attach supporting literature where appropriate.

This proposal form is available electronically from: www.biosecurity.govt.nz/nppa

1. Submitter details

Name	
Organisation	
Address	
Phone number: Work Cell	
Fax number	
Email address	

2. Plant details

Scientific name:	
Common name(s):	
Known Synonyms:	
This is a proposal to: include in the NPPA / remove from the NPPA (indicate appropriate option)	
Reason for the proposal (summary) <i>State the arguments both for and against including this plant in the NPPA.</i>	

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<p>3. Is the plant present in New Zealand? <i>If no, the species will not be included in the NPPA. It can, however, be recommended for UO (unwanted organism) status if technically justified.</i></p>	Yes / No
<p>4. Has the plant formed self-sustaining populations in New Zealand? <i>If the answer is yes, state where the plant is known to have established and what the evidence is for this (e.g., maps, descriptions of habitats/sites where established). Refer to section 2.1 of the evaluation criteria report for further information.</i></p>	Yes / No
<p>5. If no to the previous question, what potential does the species have to establish self-sustaining populations in New Zealand? <i>Evidence is most likely to be based on its distribution and behaviour overseas, in particular in areas with similar habitats and climates to New Zealand (e.g., SE Australia, Hawaii uplands). Information demonstrating weed behaviour or occurrence as an alien is very relevant. Information on ability to produce viable seed or other propagules under New Zealand conditions is also useful. Refer to section 2.1 of the evaluation criteria report for further information.</i></p>	
<p>6. Does the plant have potential to cause adverse impacts? <i>Evidence may include the types of environments it grows in, or the growth habit of the plant, as well as reports on impacts from New Zealand or overseas. Comment on impacts on conservation values, economic values, environmental values, and people's health, noting what is affected and the degree of impact. Degree of impact can be difficult to measure and demonstrate, but information on the ability of the plant to form large colonies or populations may be useful. Add supporting information where available. Refer to section 2.2 of the evaluation criteria report.</i></p>	
<p>7. Are you aware of any formal risk assessment for the plant? If so, please attach to the proposal.</p>	

8. What evidence is there that the plant species has been, is, or has the potential to be deliberately distributed in New Zealand through commercial or private means?

For example, listings in horticulture literature and catalogues, web sites, references in garden books, overseas information, garage sales, and personal observations. Include comments on appeal as a cultivated plant. Discussed in section 3.2.1 of the evaluation criteria report.

Also include information on whether there are named cultivars for the species in horticultural literature or catalogues, and whether the plants that are being deliberately distributed are largely the same as the invasive form, or are a variant (e.g. different flower colour, variegated, named cultivars).

9. What are the current and potential distributions (geographic range), and abundance in New Zealand?

Compare the current known distribution of the plant to its potential distribution in New Zealand, the latter based on climate suitability and habitat availability. Include information on which regions it currently occurs in and how abundant it is, which other regions it is likely to occur in, and the amount of potential habitat that exists. A map showing current and potential distribution would be very helpful, in addition to other supporting evidence. Refer to section 3.2.2 of the evaluation criteria report for further information.

10. How easy is the plant species to control?

Refer to section 3.2.3 of the evaluation criteria report for further information.

- (a) What physical/ chemical/ biological methods are available for killing the plant?**
- (b) How susceptible is it to control methods?**
- (c) Are the control methods practical to use in the environments where the plant occurs or might occur?**
- (d) Is it easy to find among other vegetation at all growth stages?**

11. Is the plant species currently subject to any other form of management?

Include information such as whether the species is listed in a Regional Pest Management Strategy (RPMS), or subject to other control programmes such as DOC weed-led control, or management in parks and reserves, etc.