

# Chapter 16-750 WAC

## STATE NOXIOUS WEED LIST AND SCHEDULE OF MONETARY PENALTIES

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- 16-750-950 State noxious weed control board position numbers—Eligibility for voting. [Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.030. 89-16-007 (Order 28, Resolution No. 28), § 16-750-950, filed 7/21/89, effective 8/21/89.] Repealed by 93-01-004, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW.

**WAC 16-750-001 State noxious weed list—Purpose.**  
 In accordance with RCW 17.10.080 a state noxious weed list of the names of those plants which the state noxious weed control board finds to be highly destructive, competitive, or difficult to control by cultural or chemical practices is adopted.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-001, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 91-24-072, § 16-750-001, filed 12/2/91, effective 1/2/92. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.080. 88-07-016 (Order 22, Resolution No. 22), § 16-750-001, filed 3/7/88.]

**WAC 16-750-003 Definitions.** (1) The definitions in this section shall apply throughout this chapter, unless the context plainly requires otherwise:

(a) "Action" means the transaction of the official business of the Washington state noxious weed control board including but not limited to receipt of public testimony, deliberations, discussions, considerations, reviews, and final actions.

(b) "Board" means the Washington state noxious weed control board, or a duly authorized representative.

(c) "Director" means the director of the department of agriculture, or the director's appointed representative.

(d) "Executive secretary" means the executive secretary of the Washington state noxious weed control board.

(e) "Department" means the department of agriculture of this state.

(f) "Final action" means a collective positive or negative decision, or an actual vote by a majority of board members when sitting as a body or entity, upon a motion, proposal, resolution, or order.

(g) "Meeting" means meetings at which action is taken.

(h) "Regular meetings" means recurring meetings held in accordance with a periodic schedule in compliance with applicable statute or rule.

(2) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this chapter, chapter 17.10 RCW, and any rules adopted thereunder unless the context plainly requires otherwise:

(a) "Control" of noxious weeds means to prevent all seed production and to prevent the dispersal of all propagative parts capable of forming new plants.

**DISPOSITION OF SECTIONS FORMERLY CODIFIED IN THIS CHAPTER**

- 16-750-010 Proposed noxious weed list. [Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.080. 87-05-016 (Order 18, Resolution No. 18), § 16-750-010, filed 2/11/87; 86-07-024 (Order 17, Resolution No. 17), § 16-750-010, filed 3/13/86; 85-07-003 (Order 16, Resolution No. 16), § 16-750-010, filed 3/7/85; 84-06-047 (Order 15, Resolution No. 15), § 16-750-010, filed 3/6/84; 83-07-042 (Order 14, Resolution No. 14), § 16-750-010, filed 3/17/83; 82-06-045 (Order 13, Resolution No. 13), § 16-750-010, filed 3/3/82. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 81-07-039 (Order 12, Resolution No. 12), § 16-750-010, filed 3/13/81; 80-03-075 (Order 11, Resolution No. 11), § 16-750-010, filed 2/29/80; 78-06-014 (Order 10, Resolution No. 10), § 16-750-010, filed 5/10/78; Order 8, § 16-750-010, filed 3/1/77; Order 7, § 16-750-010, filed 4/15/76; Order 5, § 16-750-010, filed 3/7/75; Order 4, § 16-750-010, filed 3/27/74; Order 3, § 16-750-010, filed 4/3/73; Order 2, § 16-750-010, filed 3/16/72; Order 1, § 16-750-010, filed 4/9/71.] Repealed by 88-07-016 (Order 22, Resolution No. 22), filed 3/7/88. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.080.
- 16-750-175 State noxious weed control board—Reports. [Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 93-01-004, § 16-750-175, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.] Repealed by 99-24-029, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW.
- 16-750-190 State noxious weed control board—Rule amendments. [Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 93-01-004, § 16-750-190, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.] Repealed

(b) "Contain" means to confine a noxious weed and its propagules to an identified area of infestation.

(c) "Eradicate" means to eliminate a noxious weed within an area of infestation.

(d) "Prevent the spread of noxious weeds" means to contain noxious weeds.

(e) Class A noxious weeds are those noxious weeds not native to the state that are of limited distribution or are unrecorded in the state and that pose a serious threat to the state.

(f) Class B noxious weeds are those noxious weeds not native to the state that are of limited distribution or are unrecorded in a region of the state and that pose a serious threat to that region.

(g) "Class B designate" means those Class B noxious weeds whose populations in a region or area are such that all seed production can be prevented within a calendar year.

(h) Class C are any other noxious weeds.

(3) Any county noxious weed control board may enhance the clarity of any definition contained in subsection (2) of this section, making that definition more specific, but shall not change its general meaning.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 10-03-046, § 16-750-003, filed 1/14/10, effective 2/14/10. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-003, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 97-06-108, § 16-750-003, filed 3/5/97, effective 4/5/97; 93-01-004, § 16-750-003, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93; 91-24-072, § 16-750-003, filed 12/2/91, effective 1/2/92; 91-01-016, § 16-750-003, filed 12/7/90, effective 1/7/91; 90-01-004, § 16-750-003, filed 12/7/89, effective 1/7/90; 88-18-001 (Order 24, Resolution No. 24), § 16-750-003, filed 8/25/88.]

**WAC 16-750-004 Noxious weed region descriptions.**

The state of Washington is divided into six regions for the purpose of designating Class B noxious weeds.

(1) Region 1 description. A region containing all lands lying within the boundaries of Clallam, Jefferson, Grays Harbor, Mason, and Pacific counties.

(2) Region 2 description. A region containing all lands lying within the boundaries of San Juan, Whatcom, Skagit, Snohomish, Island, King, Kitsap, Pierce, and Thurston counties.

(3) Region 3 description. A region containing all lands lying within the boundaries of Lewis, Cowlitz, Wahkiakum, Clark, and Skamania counties.

(4) Region 4 description. A region containing all lands lying within the boundaries of Chelan, Douglas, Okanogan, Ferry, Stevens, and Pend Oreille counties.

(5) Region 5 description. A region containing all lands lying within the boundaries of Klickitat, Yakima, Kittitas, Grant, Adams, Lincoln, Spokane, and Whitman counties.

(6) Region 6 description. A region containing all lands lying within the boundaries of Benton, Franklin, Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, and Asotin counties.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 13-01-038, § 16-750-004, filed 12/12/12, effective 1/12/13. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-004, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 91-24-072, § 16-750-004, filed 12/2/91, effective 1/2/92; 88-18-001 (Order 24, Resolution No. 24), § 16-750-004, filed 8/25/88.]

**WAC 16-750-005 State noxious weed list—Class A noxious weeds.**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
broom, French	<i>Genista monspessulana</i>

**Common Name**

broom, Spanish  
buffalobur  
common crupina  
cordgrass, common  
cordgrass, dense flower  
cordgrass, salt meadow  
cordgrass, smooth  
dyers woad  
eggleaf spurge  
false brome  
floating primrose-willow  
flowering rush  
garlic mustard  
giant hogweed  
goatsrue  
hawkweed, European  
hawkweed, yellow devil  
hydrilla  
johnsongrass  
knapweed, bighead  
knapweed, Vochin  
kudzu

meadow clary  
oriental clematis  
purple starthistle  
reed sweetgrass  
ricefield bulrush  
sage, clary  
sage, Mediterranean  
shiny geranium  
silverleaf nightshade  
spurge flax  
Syrian bean-caper  
Texas blueweed  
thistle, Italian  
thistle, milk  
thistle, slenderflower  
variable-leaf milfoil

velvetleaf  
wild four o'clock

**Scientific Name**

*Spartium junceum*  
*Solanum rostratum*  
*Crupina vulgaris*  
*Spartina anglica*  
*Spartina densiflora*  
*Spartina patens*  
*Spartina alterniflora*  
*Isatis tinctoria*  
*Euphorbia oblongata*  
*Brachypodium sylvaticum*  
*Ludwigia peploides*  
*Butomus umbellatus*  
*Alliaria petiolata*  
*Heracleum mantegazzianum*  
*Galega officinalis*  
*Hieracium sabaudum*  
*Hieracium floribundum*  
*Hydrilla verticillata*  
*Sorghum halepense*  
*Centaurea macrocephala*  
*Centaurea nigrescens*  
*Pueraria montana var. lobata*  
*Salvia pratensis*  
*Clematis orientalis*  
*Centaurea calcitrapa*  
*Glyceria maxima*  
*Schoenoplectus mucronatus*  
*Salvia sclarea*  
*Salvia aethiopsis*  
*Geranium lucidum*  
*Solanum elaeagnifolium*  
*Thymelaea passerina*  
*Zygophyllum fabago*  
*Helianthus ciliaris*  
*Carduus pycnocephalus*  
*Silybum marianum*  
*Carduus tenuiflorus*  
*Myriophyllum heterophyllum*  
*Abutilon theophrasti*  
*Mirabilis nyctaginea*

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 13-01-038, § 16-750-005, filed 12/12/12, effective 1/12/13; 12-01-050, § 16-750-005, filed 12/15/11, effective 1/15/12; 09-01-071, § 16-750-005, filed 12/15/08, effective 1/16/09; 07-24-023, § 16-750-005, filed 11/28/07, effective 1/1/08; 05-24-026, § 16-750-005, filed 11/30/05, effective 12/31/05; 03-04-001, § 16-750-005, filed 1/22/03, effective 2/22/03. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-005, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 98-24-026, § 16-750-005, filed 11/23/98, effective 1/2/99; 97-24-051, § 16-750-005, filed 11/26/97, effective 1/2/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.080.96-06-030, § 16-750-005, filed 2/29/96, effective 3/31/96. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 93-01-004, § 16-750-005, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93; 91-24-072, § 16-750-005, filed 12/2/91, effective 1/2/92; 91-01-016, § 16-750-005, filed 12/7/90, effective 1/7/91; 90-01-004, § 16-750-005, filed 12/7/89, effective 1/7/90; 88-24-002 (Order 26, Resolution No. 26), § 16-750-005, filed 11/29/88. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.080. 88-07-016 (Order 22, Resolution No. 22), § 16-750-005, filed 3/7/88.]

## WAC 16-750-011 State noxious weed list—Class B noxious weeds.

Name		Will be a "Class B designate" in all lands lying within:	
(1)	blueweed, <i>Echium vulgare</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 6
		(b)	region 5, except Spokane County
(2)	Brazilian elodea, <i>Egeria densa</i>	(a)	region 1, except Grays Harbor and Pacific counties
		(b)	region 2, except Kitsap and Snohomish counties
		(c)	King County of region 2, except lakes Dolloff, Fenwick, Union, Washington, and Sammamish, and the Sammamish River
		(d)	region 3, except Wahkiakum County
		(e)	regions 4, 5, and 6
(3)	bugloss, annual, <i>Anchusa arvensis</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6
		(b)	region 5, except Spokane County
(4)	bugloss, common, <i>Anchusa officinalis</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6
		(b)	region 5, except Spokane County
(5)	butterfly bush, <i>Buddleja davidii</i>	(a)	The portion of Thurston County lying below the ordinary high-water mark of the Nisqually River in region 2
		(b)	Cowlitz County of region 3
(6)	camelthorn, <i>Alhagi maurorum</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
		(b)	region 6, except Walla Walla County
(7)	common fennel, <i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	(a)	region 1, except Jefferson County
		(b)	region 2, except King and Skagit counties
		(c)	region 3, except Clark County
		(d)	regions 4, 5, and 6
(8)	common reed, <i>Phragmites australis</i> (nonnative genotypes only)	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, and 4
		(b)	region 5, except Grant County
		(c)	Asotin, Columbia, and Garfield counties of region 6
(9)	Dalmatian toadflax, <i>Linaria dalmatica ssp. dalmatica</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, and 3
		(b)	Adams and Lincoln counties of region 5
		(c)	Benton and Walla Walla counties of region 6
(10)	Eurasian watermilfoil, <i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	(a)	region 1, except Pacific and Mason counties
		(b)	Island and San Juan counties of region 2
		(c)	Clark and Cowlitz counties of region 3
		(d)	Chelan and Okanogan counties of region 4
		(e)	Adams and Lincoln counties of region 5
		(f)	Asotin, Columbia, and Garfield counties of region 6
(11)	fanwort, <i>Cabomba caroliniana</i>	(a)	regions 2, 4, 5, and 6
		(b)	region 1, except Grays Harbor
		(c)	region 3, except Cowlitz County
(12)	gorse, <i>Ulex europaeus</i>	(a)	region 1, except Grays Harbor and Pacific counties
		(b)	regions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
(13)	grass-leaved arrowhead, <i>Sagittaria graminea</i>	(a)	region 1, except Mason County
		(b)	region 2, except Snohomish County
		(c)	regions 3, 4, 5, and 6
(14)	hairy willow-herb, <i>Epilobium hirsutum</i>	(a)	regions 1 and 3
		(b)	region 2, except Thurston and Whatcom counties
		(c)	region 5, except Klickitat County
		(d)	Asotin, Columbia, and Garfield counties of region 6
(15)	hawkweed oxtongue, <i>Picris hieracioides</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6
		(b)	region 3, except Skamania County
(16)	hawkweed, mouseear, <i>Hieracium pilosella</i>	(a)	region 1, except Grays Harbor County
		(b)	region 2, except Pierce and Thurston counties
		(c)	region 3, except Lewis County
		(d)	regions 4 and 6
		(e)	region 5, except Klickitat County
(17)	hawkweed, orange, <i>Hieracium aurantiacum</i>	(a)	regions 1, 3, and 6
		(b)	region 2, except Whatcom County
		(c)	region 4, except Pend Oreille and Stevens counties
		(d)	region 5, except Kittitas and Spokane counties

Name		Will be a "Class B designate" in all lands lying within:	
(18)	hawkweed, queen-devil, <i>Hieracium glomeratum</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6
		(b)	region 4, except Pend Oreille and Stevens counties
(19)	hawkweed, smooth, <i>Hieracium laevigatum</i>	(a)	regions 1, 3, 5, and 6
		(b)	region 2, except Skagit and Whatcom counties
		(c)	region 4, except Pend Oreille and Stevens counties
(20)	hawkweed, tall, <i>Hieracium piloselloides</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6
		(b)	region 4, except Pend Oreille and Stevens counties
(21)	hawkweed, yellow, <i>Hieracium caespitosum</i>	(a)	region 1, except Pacific County
		(b)	regions 2 and 6
		(c)	region 3, except Cowlitz County
		(d)	region 4, except Pend Oreille and Stevens counties
		(e)	region 5, except Klickitat and Spokane counties
(22)	herb-Robert, <i>Geranium robertianum</i>		regions 4, 5, and 6
(23)	hoary alyssum, <i>Berteroa incana</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, and 6
		(b)	All areas south of highway 20 in Ferry County of region 4
		(c)	All areas in Okanogan County of region 4, except Ranges 29-31 East of Townships 37-40 North
		(d)	region 5, except Klickitat County
(24)	houndstongue, <i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, and 3
		(b)	Chelan County of region 4
		(c)	Yakima, Grant and Adams counties of region 5
		(d)	Benton County of region 6
(25)	indigobush, <i>Amorpha fruticosa</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, and 4
		(b)	Lewis and Skamania counties of region 3
		(c)	region 5, except Klickitat County
(26)	knapweed, black, <i>Centaurea nigra</i>		regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6
(27)	knapweed, brown, <i>Centaurea jacea</i>		regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6
(28)	knapweed, diffuse, <i>Centaurea diffusa</i>	(a)	region 1, except Mason County
		(b)	regions 2 and 3
		(c)	Adams County of region 5
(29)	knapweed, meadow, <i>Centaurea jacea x nigra</i>	(a)	regions 1 and 3
		(b)	region 2, except Pierce and Whatcom counties
		(c)	Thurston County of region 2, except below the ordinary high water mark of the Nisqually River
		(d)	region 4, except Pend Oreille County
		(e)	region 5, except Kittitas and Klickitat counties
		(f)	region 6, except Franklin and Walla Walla counties
(30)	knapweed, Russian, <i>Acroptilon repens</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, and 3
		(b)	Ferry and Pend Oreille counties of region 4
		(c)	Lincoln, Spokane, and Whitman counties of region 5
		(d)	Adams County of region 5, except for the area west of Highway 17 and north of Highway 26
		(e)	Asotin and Garfield counties of region 6
(31)	knapweed, spotted, <i>Centaurea stoebe</i>	(a)	region 1, except Grays Harbor
		(b)	region 2, except Whatcom County
		(c)	region 3
		(d)	Ferry County of region 4
		(e)	Adams, Grant and Yakima counties of region 5
		(f)	region 6, except Columbia and Walla Walla counties
(32)	knotweed, Bohemian, <i>Polygonum x bohemicum</i>	(a)	Island County of region 2
		(b)	Cowlitz and Skamania counties of region 3
		(c)	region 4, except Pend Oreille and Stevens counties
		(d)	regions 5, except Whitman and Yakima counties
		(e)	region 6
(33)	knotweed, giant, <i>Polygonum sachalinense</i>	(a)	region 2, except King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties
		(b)	region 3, except Lewis County

Name		Will be a "Class B designate" in all lands lying within:	
(34)	knotweed, Himalayan, <i>Polygonum polystachyum</i>	(c)	regions 4, 5, and 6
		(a)	region 1, except Pacific County
		(b)	region 2, except King and Pierce counties
		(c)	Cowlitz, Lewis and Skamania counties of region 3
		(d)	region 4, except Stevens County
		(e)	regions 5 and 6
(35)	knotweed, Japanese, <i>Polygonum cuspidatum</i>	(a)	Island, San Juan, and Whatcom counties of region 2
		(b)	Cowlitz and Skamania counties of region 3
		(c)	region 4, except Okanogan and Stevens counties
		(d)	region 5, except Spokane County
		(e)	region 6
(36)	kochia, <i>Kochia scoparia</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, and 3
		(b)	Stevens and Pend Oreille counties of region 4
		(c)	Adams County of region 5
(37)	loosestrife, garden, <i>Lysimachia vulgaris</i>		regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
(38)	loosestrife, purple, <i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	(a)	Clallam and Jefferson counties of region 1
		(b)	region 2, except Kitsap, Pierce, Skagit, and Snohomish counties
		(c)	Clark, Lewis, and Skamania counties of region 3
		(d)	region 4, except Douglas County
		(e)	region 5, except Grant and Spokane counties
		(f)	Columbia, Garfield, and Walla Walla counties of region 6
(39)	loosestrife, wand, <i>Lythrum virgatum</i>	(a)	Clallam and Jefferson counties of region 1
		(b)	region 2, except Kitsap, Pierce, Skagit, and Snohomish counties
		(c)	Clark, Lewis, and Skamania counties of region 3
		(d)	region 4, except Douglas County
		(e)	region 5, except Grant and Spokane counties
		(f)	Columbia, Garfield, and Walla Walla counties of region 6
(40)	parrotfeather, <i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i>	(a)	region 1, except Pacific County
		(b)	regions 2, 4, 5, and 6
		(c)	Clark and Skamania counties of region 3
(41)	perennial pepperweed, <i>Lepidium latifolium</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, and 4
		(b)	region 3, except Clark and Cowlitz counties
		(c)	Kittitas, Lincoln and Spokane counties of region 5
		(d)	Columbia and Garfield counties of region 6
(42)	poison hemlock, <i>Conium maculatum</i>	(a)	Clallam, Mason, and Pacific counties of region 1
		(b)	region 2, except King, Skagit, and Whatcom counties
		(c)	Clark and Skamania counties of region 3
		(d)	Chelan and Pend Oreille counties of region 4
		(e)	Grant, Kittitas and Lincoln counties of region 5
(43)	policeman's helmet, <i>Impatiens glandulifera</i>	(a)	region 1, except Pacific County
		(b)	region 2, except Pierce, Thurston, and Whatcom counties
		(c)	region 3, except Clark County
		(d)	region 4, except Pend Oreille County
		(e)	regions 5 and 6
(44)	puncturevine, <i>Tribulus terrestris</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, and 3
		(b)	Ferry, Pend Oreille, and Stevens counties of region 4
		(c)	region 5, except Grant, Klickitat, and Yakima counties
(45)	rush skeletonweed, <i>Chondrilla juncea</i>	(a)	regions 1 and 3
		(b)	region 2, except Kitsap County
		(c)	region 4, except all areas of Stevens County south of Township 29
		(d)	Kittitas and Yakima counties of region 5, and Adams County, except those areas lying east of Sage Road, the western border of Range 36
		(e)	Asotin County of region 6

Name		Will be a "Class B designate" in all lands lying within:	
(46)	saltcedar, <i>Tamarix ramosissima</i> (unless intentionally planted prior to 2004)	(a)	regions 1, 3, 4, and 5
		(b)	region 2, except King and Thurston counties
		(c)	region 6, except Benton and Franklin counties
(47)	Scotch broom, <i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	(a)	regions 4 and 6
		(b)	region 5, except Klickitat County
(48)	spurge laurel, <i>Daphne laureola</i>	(a)	region 1, except Clallam and Jefferson counties
		(b)	region 2, except King and Kitsap counties
		(c)	region 3, except Skamania County
		(d)	regions 4, 5, and 6
(49)	spurge, leafy, <i>Euphorbia esula</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, and 4
		(b)	region 5, except Spokane and Whitman counties
		(c)	region 6, except Columbia and Garfield counties
(50)	spurge, myrtle, <i>Euphorbia myrsinites</i>	(a)	regions 1, 3, 5, and 6
		(b)	region 2, except King, Kitsap, and Whatcom counties
		(c)	region 4, except Okanogan and Stevens counties
(51)	sulfur cinquefoil, <i>Potentilla recta</i>	(a)	region 1
		(b)	region 2, except Pierce and Thurston counties
		(c)	region 3, except Lewis and Skamania counties
		(d)	Adams, Grant, Lincoln, and Whitman counties of region 5
		(e)	region 6, except Asotin County
(52)	tansy ragwort, <i>Senecio jacobaea</i>	(a)	Island and San Juan counties of region 2
		(b)	Clark and Wahkiakum counties of region 3
		(c)	regions 4 and 6
		(d)	region 5, except Klickitat County
(53)	thistle, musk, <i>Carduus nutans</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, and 6
		(b)	region 4, except Douglas and Ferry counties
		(c)	region 5, except Kittitas County
(54)	thistle, plumeless, <i>Carduus acanthoides</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, 5, 6
		(b)	region 4, except Pend Oreille County and those areas north of State Highway 20 in Stevens County
(55)	thistle, Scotch, <i>Onopordum acanthium</i>	(a)	region 1, 2, and 3
		(b)	region 4, except Douglas County
		(c)	region 5, except Spokane and Whitman counties
(56)	water primrose, <i>Ludwigia hexapetala</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6
		(b)	region 3, except Cowlitz County
(57)	white bryony, <i>Bryonia alba</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, 3, and 4
		(b)	region 5, except Whitman County
		(c)	Benton County of region 6
(58)	wild chervil, <i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i>	(a)	regions 1, 4, and 6
		(b)	region 2, except Whatcom County
		(c)	Wahkiakum and Lewis counties of region 3
		(d)	region 5, except Whitman County
(59)	yellow archangel, <i>Lamiastrum galeobdolon</i>	(a)	Clallam County of region 1
		(b)	San Juan, Skagit, and Whatcom counties of region 2
		(c)	Cowlitz, Skamania and Wahkiakum counties of region 3
		(d)	regions 4, 5, and 6
(60)	yellow floating heart, <i>Nymphoides peltata</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, and 6
		(b)	region 3, except Cowlitz County
		(c)	region 4, except Stevens County
		(d)	region 5, except Spokane County
(61)	yellow nutsedge, <i>Cyperus esculentus</i>	(a)	regions 1, 3, and 4
		(b)	region 2, except Skagit and Thurston counties
		(c)	region 5, except Klickitat and Yakima Counties
		(d)	region 6, except Franklin and Walla Walla counties
(62)	yellow starthistle, <i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>	(a)	regions 1, 2, and 3
		(b)	region 4, except T36 R38 north of Hwy 395/Hwy 20 and west of Pingston Creek Road in Stevens County
		(c)	region 5, except Klickitat, and Whitman counties

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 13-01-038, § 16-750-011, filed 12/12/12, effective 1/12/13; 12-01-050, § 16-750-011, filed 12/15/11, effective 1/15/12; 10-24-037, § 16-750-011, filed 11/22/10, effective 12/23/10; 09-01-071, § 16-750-011, filed 12/15/08, effective 1/16/09; 07-24-023, § 16-750-011, filed 11/28/07, effective 1/1/08; 06-24-056, § 16-750-011, filed 12/4/06, effective 1/4/07; 05-24-026, § 16-750-011, filed 11/30/05, effective 12/31/05; 05-01-012, § 16-750-011, filed 12/2/04, effective 1/2/05. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 04-13-014, § 16-750-011, filed 6/4/04, effective 7/5/04. Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 03-24-012, § 16-750-011, filed 11/20/03, effective 12/21/03; 03-04-001, § 16-750-011, filed 1/22/03, effective 2/22/03. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 01-24-035, § 16-750-011, filed 11/28/01, effective 12/29/01; 00-24-017, § 16-750-011, filed 11/28/00, effective 1/2/01; 99-24-029, § 16-750-011, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 98-24-026, § 16-750-011, filed 11/23/98, effective 1/2/99; 97-24-051, § 16-750-011, filed 11/26/97, effective 1/2/98; 97-06-108, § 16-750-011, filed 3/5/97, effective 4/5/97. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.080. 96-06-030, § 16-750-011, filed 2/29/96, effective 3/31/96. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 95-06-002, § 16-750-011, filed 2/16/95, effective 3/19/95; 94-01-076, § 16-750-011, filed 12/10/93, effective 1/10/94; 93-01-004, § 16-750-011, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93; 91-24-072, § 16-750-011, filed 12/2/91, effective 1/2/92; 91-01-016, § 16-750-011, filed 12/7/90, effective 1/7/91; 90-01-004, § 16-750-011, filed 12/7/89, effective 1/7/90; 88-24-002 (Order 26, Resolution No. 26), § 16-750-011, filed 11/29/88; 88-18-001 (Order 24, Resolution No. 24), § 16-750-011, filed 8/25/88. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.080. 88-07-016 (Order 22, Resolution No. 22), § 16-750-011, filed 3/7/88.]

**WAC 16-750-015 State noxious weed list—Class C noxious weeds.**

<b>Common Name</b>	<b>Scientific Name</b>
absinth wormwood	<i>Artemisia absinthium</i>
Austrian fieldcress	<i>Rorippa austriaca</i>
babysbreath	<i>Gypsophila paniculata</i>
black henbane	<i>Hyoscyamus niger</i>
blackberry, evergreen	<i>Rubus laciniatus</i>
blackberry, Himalayan	<i>Rubus armeniacus</i>
blackgrass	<i>Alopecurus myosuroides</i>
cereal rye	<i>Secale cereale</i>
common barberry	<i>Berberis vulgaris</i>
common catsear	<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>
common groundsel	<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>
common St. Johnswort	<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>
common tansy	<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>
common teasel	<i>Dipsacus fullonum</i>
curly-leaf pondweed	<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>
English ivy 4 cultivars only:	<i>Hedera hibernica</i> 'Hibernica'
	<i>Hedera helix</i> 'Baltica'
	<i>Hedera helix</i> 'Pittsburgh'
	<i>Hedera helix</i> 'Star'
field bindweed	<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>
fragrant water lily	<i>Nymphaea odorata</i>
hairy whitetop	<i>Cardaria pubescens</i>
hawkweed, common	<i>Hieracium lachenalii</i>
hawkweed, polar	<i>Hieracium atratum</i>
hawkweed, other nonnative species	<i>Hieracium spp.</i> , except species designated in the note in the left-hand column

**Note:**

This listing includes all species of *Hieracium*, except the following:

- Species designated as Class A noxious weeds in WAC 16-750-005;

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- Species designated as Class B noxious weeds in WAC 16-750-011;
- Native species designated below:
  - Canada hawkweed (*H. canadense*)
  - houndstongue hawkweed (*H. cynoglossoides*)
  - long-beaked hawkweed (*H. longiberbe*)
  - narrow-leaved hawkweed (*H. umbellatum*)
  - slender hawkweed (*H. gracile*)
  - western hawkweed (*H. albertinum*)
  - white-flowered hawkweed (*H. albiflorum*)
  - woolley-weed (*H. scouleri*)

- hoary cress
- Japanese eelgrass
- jointed goatgrass
- lawnweed
- lepyrodiclis
- longspine sandbur
- old man’s beard
- oxeye daisy
- perennial sowthistle
- reed canarygrass
- scentless mayweed
- smoothseed alfalfa dodder
- spikeweed
- spiny cocklebur
- Swainsonpea
- thistle, bull
- thistle, Canada
- tree-of-heaven
- white cockle
- wild carrot (except where commercially grown)
- yellow flag iris
- yellow toadflax

**Scientific Name**

- Cardaria draba*
- Zostera japonica*
- Aegilops cylindrica*
- Soliva sessilis*
- Lepydiclis holosteoides*
- Cenchrus longispinus*
- Clematis vitalba*
- Leucanthemum vulgare*
- Sonchus arvensis ssp. arvensis*
- Phalaris arundinacea*
- Matricaria perforata*
- Cuscuta approximata*
- Hemizonia pungens*
- Xanthium spinosum*
- Sphaerophysa salsula*
- Cirsium vulgare*
- Cirsium arvense*
- Ailanthus altissima*
- Silene latifolia ssp. alba*
- Daucus carota*
- Iris pseudacorus*
- Linaria vulgaris*

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 13-01-038, § 16-750-015, filed 12/12/12, effective 1/12/13; 12-01-050, § 16-750-015, filed 12/15/11, effective 1/15/12; 10-24-037, § 16-750-015, filed 11/22/10, effective 12/23/10; 09-01-071, § 16-750-015, filed 12/15/08, effective 1/16/09; 07-24-023, § 16-750-015, filed 11/28/07, effective 1/1/08; 06-24-056, § 16-750-015, filed 12/4/06, effective 1/4/07; 05-01-012, § 16-750-015, filed 12/2/04, effective 1/2/05. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 04-13-014, § 16-750-015, filed 6/4/04, effective 7/5/04. Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 03-24-012, § 16-750-015, filed 11/20/03, effective 12/21/03; 03-04-001, § 16-750-015, filed 1/22/03, effective 2/22/03. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 01-24-035, § 16-750-015, filed 11/28/01, effective 12/29/01; 00-24-017, § 16-750-015, filed 11/28/00, effective 1/2/01; 99-24-029, § 16-750-015, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 98-24-026, § 16-750-015, filed 11/23/98, effective 1/2/99; 97-06-108, § 16-750-015, filed 3/5/97, effective 4/5/97. Statutory Authority: RCW 17.10.080. 96-06-030, § 16-750-015, filed 2/29/96, effective 3/31/96. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 95-06-002, § 16-750-015, filed 2/16/95, effective 3/19/95; 94-01-076, § 16-750-015, filed 12/10/93, effective 1/10/94.]

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**WAC 16-750-020 Noxious weeds—Civil infractions—Schedule of monetary penalties.** Civil infractions under chapter 17.10 RCW shall be assessed a monetary penalty according to the following schedule:

(1) Any owner knowing of the existence of any noxious weeds on the owner's land who fails to control the noxious weeds will be assessed the following monetary penalties. The penalties are assessed per parcel, per noxious weed species, per day after expiration of the notice to control filed pursuant to RCW 17.10.170:

(a) Any Class A noxious weed:

1st offense within five years	\$ 750
2nd and any subsequent offense	1,000

(b) Any Class B designate noxious weed in the noxious weed control region in which the land lies:

1st offense within five years	\$ 500
2nd offense	750
3rd and any subsequent offense	1,000

(c) Any Class B nondesignate noxious weed in the noxious weed control region in which the land lies; or any Class C noxious weed:

1st offense within five years	\$ 250
2nd offense	500
3rd offense	750
4th and any subsequent offense	1,000

(2) Any person who enters upon any land in violation of an order in force pursuant to RCW 17.10.210 will be assessed as follows:

1st offense within five years	\$ 500
2nd offense	750
3rd and any subsequent offense	1,000

(3) Any person who interferes with the carrying out of the provisions of chapter 17.10 RCW shall be assessed as follows:

1st offense within five years	\$ 500
2nd offense	750
3rd and any subsequent offense	1,000

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-020, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 97-06-108, § 16-750-020, filed 3/5/97, effective 4/5/97; 93-01-004, § 16-750-020, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-022 Noxious weed list—Listing process.** The noxious weed list is adopted annually by the Washington state noxious weed control board. The listing process is open to the public, and there are several opportunities for participation. The process of considering changes to the list begins with the board's noxious weed committee. The weed listing process consists of the following steps each year:

(1) The board accepts proposals to make additions, deletions, or changes to the weed list between January and the end of April.

(2) Starting in May, the committee reviews and evaluates the proposals and may conduct additional research including literature reviews, surveys of counties, discussions with other states, and field investigations during its deliberations, which continue into September.

(3) The board considers the committee's recommendations in September and votes on which proposed changes to include in a public hearing, typically held in November.

(4) The board solicits public comment at the public hearing and makes its final decisions on proposed changes to the weed list after considering the testimony received.

(5) The new revised noxious weed list becomes effective in January.

(6) Proposals to add new species to the weed list that were not adopted by the board will not be reconsidered for future listing unless additional information is provided, including additional data from scientific sources regarding any invasive and noxious qualities of the species, as well as existing positive economic benefits.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 12-01-050, § 16-750-022, filed 12/15/11, effective 1/15/12.]

**WAC 16-750-025 Plant monitor list—Purpose.** The purpose of the monitor list is to gather more information on suspect weeds as well as monitor for occurrence or spread. Information collected may be used to justify future inclusion on the state noxious weed list. There is no regulatory aspect to this list. Reasons for plant inclusion on the monitor list include:

(1) There is reason to believe the species is invasive or poses a potential threat to Washington.

(2) Additional information is needed on distribution, abundance, or biology.

(3) The species was once present in Washington and on the state noxious weed list. It is now being monitored for reoccurrence.

(4) There is need to verify existence (site investigation), verify identification, and/or obtain voucher specimen.

(5) It exists in an adjacent state or province or occurs on an adjacent state or province's noxious weed list and is not known to occur in Washington.

Native species of Washington will not be included on the monitor list. Each weed included on the monitor list will be included by vote of the noxious weed committee. A sponsor is required in order to place a weed on the monitor list. The current monitor list is kept in the state noxious weed board office.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-025, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-025, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-100 State noxious weed control board—Description—Purpose.** The board was created pursuant to chapter 17.10 RCW, Noxious weeds—Control boards. The board is an advisory board to the department regarding the state noxious weed program and has rule-mak-

ing and administrative responsibilities under chapter 17.10 RCW.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 93-01-004, § 16-750-100, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-105 State noxious weed control board—Powers—Duties—Responsibilities.** The powers and duties of the board include:

(1) Adopting rules defining the words "control," "contain," "eradicate," and the term "prevent the spread of noxious weeds";

(2) Conducting elections to the board, and adopting rules as set forth in this chapter establishing a position number for each elected position to the board and designating in which county noxious weed control board members are eligible to vote for each elected position;

(3) Electing officers, conducting meetings, holding hearings, appointing committees, entering upon any property to administer chapter 17.10 RCW, and adopting the necessary rules to carry out its powers and duties identified herein;

(4) When petitioned, holding a hearing in a county to determine the need for activation of the county noxious weed control board and, if such a need is found to exist, ordering the county legislative authority to activate and appoint members to such board;

(5) Each year or more often, adopting a state noxious weed list, classifying the weeds on the list, and entering written findings for the inclusion of each weed on the list;

(6) Sending a copy of the state noxious weed list to each activated county noxious weed control board, regional noxious weed control board, weed district, and each county legislative authority of each county with an inactivated noxious weed control board;

(7) When petitioned and following a hearing, ordering any county noxious weed board to include a noxious weed from the state list on the county board or district's weed list;

(8) Adopting a schedule of monetary penalties for each violation of chapter 17.10 RCW classified as a civil infraction and submitting the schedule to the appropriate courts;

(9) Employing an executive secretary whose qualifications, duties, and responsibilities are set forth in this chapter and RCW 17.10.070;

(10) Preparing and distributing a biennial written report showing the expenditure of state funds on noxious weed control; specifying how the funds were spent; the status of state, county, and district programs; recommending the continued best use of state funds; and recommending the long-term needs regarding weed control;

(11) Advising the director as provided for in chapter 17.10 RCW.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-105, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-105, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-110 State noxious weed control board—Mission.** The mission of the board is to serve as responsible stewards of Washington by protecting and preserving the land and resources from the degrading impact of noxious weeds.

The board believes that prevention is the best approach and may be achieved through full implementation of the

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intent of the state noxious weed law. To further that, the board strives for enhanced public awareness through improved educational efforts.

The board does not deal directly in control activities but rather works to achieve this end through others. For that reason, the board seeks to improve communication, gain cooperation, and improve coordination of the efforts for noxious weed control.

The board believes noxious weed control is best carried out by strong, adequately funded programs at the local level. To achieve this, the board strives to build public support for local programs and to empower those programs to be more successful.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 98-24-026, § 16-750-110, filed 11/23/98, effective 1/2/99; 93-01-004, § 16-750-110, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-115 State noxious weed control board—Membership.** The board is comprised of nine voting members and three nonvoting members selected as follows:

(1) Four of the members are elected by the members of activated county noxious weed control boards eligible to vote for the elected position established by the state noxious weed board. Two members are elected from the west side of the state, the crest of the Cascades being the dividing line, and two from the east side of the state.

(2) The director is a voting member.

(3) One member is elected by the directors of activated weed districts formed under chapter 17.04 or 17.06 RCW.

(4) The Washington state association of counties appoints one voting member who must be a member of a county legislative authority.

(5) The director appoints two voting members to represent the public interest, one from the west side and one from the east side of the state.

(6) The director appoints three nonvoting members representing scientific disciplines relating to weed control.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-115, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-115, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-120 State noxious weed control board—Nominations—Elections—Terms of office—Vacancies.** (1) Nominations and elections to board positions are conducted by regular mail.

(2) The board calls for nominations to elected positions at least sixty days prior to expiration of position terms.

(3) The board sends ballots to eligible activated county noxious weed control boards or weed district directors by regular mail at least forty-five days prior to expiration of each position term.

(4) Ballots must be returned no later than thirty days before expiration of each term. Only official ballots will be accepted. Photocopied ballots will be considered invalid.

(5) The board chairperson appoints a committee to count ballots and certify elections at least thirty days prior to expiration of each term.

(6) Results of elections are announced prior to the next scheduled board meeting.

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(7) For the purpose of conducting nominations or elections, the board uses the current list of county noxious weed control board voting members and weed district directors.

(8) Any person who is a resident in and member of an activated county noxious weed control board in the counties represented by positions 1, 2, 3, and 4 may enter his or her name, or that of any qualified person in nomination for election to the board position by voting members of the above activated county noxious weed control boards.

(9) Any director of an active weed district formed under chapter 17.04 or 17.06 RCW may enter a name in nomination for election to position 5 on the board.

(10) Each candidate or each person nominating such candidate must complete a certificate of nomination, and must return it to the board postmarked by the date specified.

(11) The board creates a ballot listing the names in alphabetical order beginning with the last name first, of the candidates nominated to the position of the board: Provided, That the board shall remove the name of any person nominated who notifies the board in writing that he or she is unwilling to serve on the board.

(12) The ballot, along with the statement, if any, of each candidate in the election will be mailed by regular mail to each voting member of an activated county noxious weed control board or director of an active weed district. Only county board members or weed district directors within the established position area are eligible to vote for the board member to represent that area.

(13) Each voting member of an activated county noxious weed control board or director of an activated weed district may cast one vote for the candidates appearing on the appropriate ballot and return it to the board as provided above and as per the dates specified.

(14) The candidate receiving the highest number of votes is elected: Provided, That if the candidate fails to receive more than fifty percent of the votes cast in an election, a second election will be held between such candidate and the candidate receiving the next highest votes and: Provided further, That if there is only one candidate, that candidate will be deemed elected unanimously.

(15) The term of office for all members of the board is three years from the date of election or appointment.

(16) Vacancies among board members appointed by the director will be filled by the director. Vacancies among elected members will be filled by special election by those entities eligible to elect that position for the expired term. Special elections follow the same procedure as regular elections. Board members appointed to fill vacancies will serve out the existing term.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-120, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-120, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-125 State noxious weed control board position numbers—Eligibility for voting.** Position numbers for elected members of the board and those eligible to vote for each position are as follows:

POSITION		VOTING ELIGIBILITY
(1) Westside, southern tier	(a)	Voting members of activated county noxious weed control boards in Grays Harbor, Mason, Thurston, Pierce, Lewis, Pacific, Wahkiakum, Cowlitz, Skamania, and Clark counties.
(2) Eastside, southern tier	(a)	Voting members of activated county noxious weed control boards in Adams, Whitman, Asotin, Garfield, Columbia, Walla Walla, Franklin, Benton, Klickitat, and Yakima counties.
(3) Westside, northern tier	(a)	Voting members of activated county noxious weed control boards in Whatcom, Skagit, San Juan, Island, Snohomish, King, Kitsap, Clallam, and Jefferson counties.
(4) Eastside, northern tier	(a)	Voting members of activated county noxious weed control boards in Okanogan, Ferry, Stevens, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Lincoln, Grant, Kittitas, Chelan, and Douglas counties.
(5) Weed districts	(a)	Directors of activated weed districts in Washington.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 93-01-004, § 16-750-125, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-130 State noxious weed control board—Organization.** The organization of the board is as follows:

(1) The officers of the board are the chairperson, vice-chairperson, and secretary. The title of the chief administrative officer is the executive secretary.

(2) Duties of officers.

(a) The chairperson presides at all meetings of the board, has the power to appoint committees, acts as ex officio member of all committees except the executive committee, serves as chairperson of the executive committee, serves as official signer of agreements between the board and public or private agencies, and performs such other duties as pertain to the office.

(b) The vice-chairperson performs the duties of the chairperson in his or her absence, acts as an ex officio member of all committees, and any other duties delegated by the chairperson. The vice-chairperson will assume the duties of and serve out the term of the chairperson upon permanent departure of the chairperson.

(c) The secretary is the official keeper of the minutes and, approves them, and presents them to the board for adoption. In the absence of the chairperson and vice-chairperson, the secretary performs the duties of the chairperson.

(d) The duties of the executive secretary, in addition to administrative duties assigned elsewhere in this chapter, are to keep a record of the proceedings of the board, notify all board members, county noxious weed control boards, and weed districts of meetings, act as an ex officio nonvoting member of all committees, negotiate agreements with public and private agencies on behalf of the board, and perform other responsibilities as delegated by the chairperson.

(3) Term of office. Term of office for officers of the board is twelve months following elections held at the first board meeting in January and ending at the January meeting of the following year.

(4) Election of officers. Elections will be held at the first meeting of the year in January. Officers are elected by a majority vote of the voting members present.

(5) Vacancies of officers other than chairperson, shall be filled by election of the voting board members present.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 12-01-050, § 16-750-130, filed 12/15/11, effective 1/15/12. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-130, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 97-06-108, § 16-750-130, filed 3/5/97, effective 4/5/97; 93-01-004, § 16-750-130, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-135 State noxious weed control board—Meetings.** (1) All meetings of the board are open and public and all persons are permitted to attend any meeting of the board, except as otherwise provided in the Open Public Meetings Act, chapter 42.30 RCW.

(2) Members of the public are not required, as a condition to attendance at a board meeting, to register names, other information, or otherwise to fulfill any condition prior to attending.

(3) Interruptions. In the event that any meeting is interrupted by any person as to render the orderly conduct of the meeting unfeasible, and order cannot be restored by the removal of individuals who are interrupting the meeting, the chairperson may order the meeting room cleared and continue in session or may adjourn the meeting and reconvene at another location selected by a majority vote of the board members present. In such a session, the board will follow the procedures set forth in the Open Public Meetings Act (RCW 42.30.050).

(4) Adoption of rules, regulations, resolution, etc. The board shall not adopt any rules, regulations, resolution, etc. except in a meeting open to the public and then only at a meeting, the date of which is fixed by rule, or at a meeting of which notice has been given according to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Any action taken at meetings failing to comply with this section is null and void.

(5) Regular meetings—Schedule—Publication in State Register—Notice of change. The board will meet at least five

times per year and at other times determined by the chairperson or by a majority of the voting members. If any regular meeting falls on a holiday, the meeting will be held on the next business day. The executive secretary files with the code reviser a schedule of the time and place of regular meetings on or before January of each year for publication in the Washington State Register. Notice of any change from this meeting schedule will be published in the State Register for distribution at least twenty days prior to the rescheduled meeting date.

(6) Notice. Ten days notice of all meetings will be given by mailing a copy of the notice and agenda to each board member, county noxious weed control board, and weed district.

(7) Special meetings. The ten-day notice may be waived for special meetings which may be called at any time by the chairperson, director, or a majority of the voting board members. Special meeting notification shall follow the procedures for special meetings set forth in the Open Public Meetings Act (RCW 42.30.080).

(8) Adjournments. If a meeting is adjourned before the advertised time, a written notice will be posted at the meeting place that specifies when the meeting was adjourned.

(9) Executive sessions.

(a) The board may hold an executive session during a regular meeting which may be called by the chairperson or a majority of voting board members present. No official actions will be taken at executive sessions. Executive sessions may deal only with matters authorized by RCW 42.30.110.

(b) Before convening in executive session, the chairperson shall publicly announce the purpose of excluding the public from the meeting place and the time when the executive session will be concluded. The executive session may be extended to a later time by announcement of the chairperson.

(10) Agenda. The agenda will be prepared by the executive secretary in consultation with the chairperson. Items may be submitted by all board members to the executive secretary at least fifteen days prior to the board meeting.

(11) Attendance. Each board member is expected to attend all board and assigned committee meetings. In the event a board member is unable to attend, he or she is requested to provide the chairperson or executive secretary with the reasons for the absence prior to the meeting. Any voting member who misses two consecutive board meetings without providing the chairperson or the executive secretary with the reasons for the absences prior to the meeting may be removed from the board, following due notice and a hearing. Removal procedures may be initiated by a quorum vote of the board.

(12) Voting procedures. Board voting procedures on all matters are as follows:

(a) Five voting members constitute a quorum to conduct the affairs of the board.

(b) The chairperson may vote on all matters coming before the board.

(c) A roll call of all voting board members present may be requested on all motions by any member.

(d) All members have the right to move or second motions.

(e) Proxy voting is not permitted.

(13) Minutes. The minutes of all regular and special meetings, except executive sessions, will be promptly recorded and such records are open to public inspection.

(14) Press releases. All press releases and official information concerning board activities will be released from the board office.

(15) Public participation.

(a) Any person wishing to make a formal presentation at a regularly scheduled meeting of the board must notify the executive secretary of the subject matter at least fifteen days before the meeting.

(b) Permission to appear before the board will be granted by the executive secretary in consultation with the chairperson before the meeting. Permission includes the date and time of the meeting and the time set for formal presentation.

(c) The chairperson may, at his or her discretion, recognize anyone in the audience who indicates at the time of the meeting a desire to speak.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 09-01-071, § 16-750-135, filed 12/15/08, effective 1/16/09. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-135, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-135, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-140 State noxious weed control board—Committees.** Standing committees shall fairly reflect the composition of the board and unless advertised and open to the public, not more than four voting members may attend a committee meeting.

(1) Executive committee. An executive committee is authorized to deal with housekeeping and personnel matters, subject to board approval at the next scheduled board meeting. The chairperson appoints the executive committee with approval of the board.

(2) Standing committees. The standing committees of the board are: Budget, executive, noxious weed, and education. The board chairperson appoints the chairperson and other members of each committee.

(3) Ad-hoc committees may be appointed from time to time.

(4) Committee voting procedures.

(a) All members of a particular committee have the right to vote. Other members in attendance may enter into discussion, but shall have no vote.

(b) Proxy voting is not permitted.

(c) All questions decided by the committee will be by majority of the committee members present.

(5) Advisory committees. Advisory committees are established by the board as deemed necessary to the functioning of the board. Advisory committees are limited in their scope to the purposes determined by the board.

(6) Notice. Notice of committee meetings shall be given to the executive secretary.

(7) Committee reports.

(a) Committee reports and recommendations are submitted to the board in writing except when committees meet in conjunction with the board.

(b) Minority reports may be submitted by members of a committee, if signed by those members.

(8) Committee compensation. Board members attending meetings of committees will, upon request, be reimbursed on

the same basis as for attendance at regularly called board meetings.

(9) All committee appointments will be reviewed in January of even-numbered years.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 17.10 and 34.05 RCW. 12-01-050, § 16-750-140, filed 12/15/11, effective 1/15/12. Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-140, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-140, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-145 State noxious weed control board—Executive secretary—Definition.** The executive secretary acts as the chief administrative officer for the board and:

(1) Implements and administers the statutes, administrative rules, and policies of the noxious weed control program assigned to the board;

(2) Plans, develops, and prepares administrative rules and policies for the state noxious weed control program in conjunction with the board and the department; arranges public hearings in compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act and acts as chief hearing officer for the board; conducts elections for positions on the board;

(3) Coordinates the educational and weed control efforts of county and regional noxious weed control boards and weed districts;

(4) Coordinates board activities with the department, maintains a liaison and performs coordinating activities with other public and private agencies;

(5) Negotiates agreements, on behalf of the board, with federal agencies, tribes, and other public and private agencies;

(6) Represents the board before the state legislature; coordinates the development, edits, and oversees the production of the biennial report to the county noxious weed boards and weed districts on how state funds were spent and recommendations for the continued best use of state funds for noxious weed control;

(7) Plans, prepares, and presents programs on noxious weed control, specific weed species, and the role of the board; acts as the principal spokesperson of the board to the media, technical audiences, and the public;

(8) Maintains a collection of scientific and technical information relating to noxious weeds and integrated vegetation management; prepares written findings for the inclusion of species on the state noxious weed list;

(9) Develops, maintains, and ensures dissemination of information relating to noxious weeds to county noxious weed control boards and weed districts and keeps the general public and program participants informed of board activities and accomplishments;

(10) Provides technical advice to county noxious weed boards and weed districts on the state noxious weed law and related rules;

(11) Plans and coordinates statewide approaches to selected noxious weeds, assists in the development of statewide noxious weed survey standards, coordinates efforts with department weed specialists;

(12) Coordinates the activities of the board by scheduling all regular and committee meetings; in consultation with the chair, prepares meeting agendas; prepares all board correspondence; updates board on local, state, and federal noxious

weed activities; acts as an ex officio, nonvoting member of all committees;

(13) Records the official minutes of the board and ensures their distribution; maintains all board records, acts as public record officer;

(14) Oversees fiscal management of the board's administrative budget and cooperates with the department in budget development;

(15) Supervises all board employees, approves hiring, rehiring, promotion, and termination of all board employees and ensures these processes and any disciplinary actions comply with state and department personnel policies; notifies board and department prior to initiating an adverse personnel action against any employee;

(16) Performs other assignments as determined by the board.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-145, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-145, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-150 State noxious weed control board—Executive secretary—Hiring and dismissal.** The board has the responsibility for hiring and removing from office the executive secretary. The executive secretary may be dismissed by a majority vote of the full board upon the recommendation of the chairperson and the executive committee. Prior to initiating a dismissal the executive committee will notify the department. Neglect of duty, gross inefficiency, gross incompetence, gross misconduct, malfeasance or willful violation of obligations may give cause for a recommendation for dismissal or dismissal. Before any action is taken by the board to dismiss the executive secretary, the chairperson and one member of the executive committee will confer with the executive secretary and provide in writing and fully explain the charges and contemplated recommendation for dismissal. The privilege of a hearing before the executive committee or full board will be granted to the executive secretary prior to any formal action taken by the board. The executive secretary is granted thirty days preparation time for the hearing and is entitled to present evidence, to be assisted by favorable witnesses, and to confront unfavorable witnesses at the hearing.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-150, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-150, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-155 State noxious weed control board—Exchange time.** The board shall provide exchange time in lieu of overtime pay to its employees for hours worked in excess of forty hours per week. The time shall accrue on an hour-for-hour basis. Exchange time has no cash value.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-155, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-155, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-160 State noxious weed control board—Antidiscrimination clause.** No person shall be denied participation in any phase of the board's program activities because of race, color, religion, sex, marital status, national origin, age, physical, sensory, or mental handicap, or

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sexual orientation. This nondiscrimination shall extend to employment by the board including retirement, selection, hiring, promotion, benefits, and dismissal.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 93-01-004, § 16-750-160, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-165 State noxious weed control board—Budget and finances.** (1) All board funds must be expended in a manner consistent with board wishes. The executive secretary is authorized to make these expenditures as appropriate. All matters related to payment of compensation and other expenses of the board are subject to the State Budget and Accounting Act (chapter 43.88 RCW).

(2) Budget approval. The executive secretary prepares the biennial budget after consulting the budget committee. The budget will provide for costs associated with salary, personal benefits, travel, equipment, and goods and services for the operation of the board. The budget is reviewed by the board for recommendation to and approval by the department and office of financial management.

(3) The board reserves the right to pursue additional funds for its administrative budget independent of the department.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-165, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-165, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-170 State noxious weed control board—Legal counsel.** On an as needed basis, a member of the attorney general's staff will serve as legal counsel for the board.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 93-01-004, § 16-750-170, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-180 State noxious weed control board—Rules of order.** *Robert's Rules of Order* newly revised shall serve as parliamentary authority for procedures not covered in these rules.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 93-01-004, § 16-750-180, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]

**WAC 16-750-185 State noxious weed control board—Access to public records and documents.** (1) In accordance with the Public Records Disclosure Act of Washington, the board shall make available for public inspection and copying all public records, unless the record falls within the specific exemptions of RCW 42.17.260(6), 42.17.310, 42.17.315, or other statute which exempts or prohibits disclosure of specific information or records.

(2) The provisions of chapter 42.17 RCW shall be liberally construed to promote full access to public records so as to assure continuing public confidence and to assure the public interest will be fully protected.

(3) Place and times for inspection and copying. The executive secretary will make public records available for inspection upon request.

(4) Charges for copying. No fee shall be charged for the inspection of public records. The executive secretary may impose a reasonable charge for providing copies of public records and for the use by any person of agency equipment to copy public records, which charges shall not exceed the

amount necessary to reimburse the board for its actual costs incident to such copying.

(5) Responses to requests. Responses to requests for public records shall be made promptly. Within five business days of receiving a public record request the board will respond as follows:

(a) With the record requested;

(b) Acknowledgment of the request and a reasonable estimate of the time it will take to provide the requested records or documents;

(c) Denying the public record request.

Denials of requests will be accompanied by a written statement of the specific reasons the request is being denied and shall have received a prompt review and final determination by the board's executive committee. Additional time may be required to respond to a request due to time needed to clarify the intent of the request, to locate and assemble the information requested, to notify third persons or agencies affected by the request, or to determine whether any of the information requested is exempt. In acknowledging receipt of a public record request that is unclear, the executive secretary may ask the requestor to clarify what information the requestor is seeking. If the requestor fails to clarify the request, the board will not respond to it.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 17.10 RCW. 99-24-029, § 16-750-185, filed 11/23/99, effective 1/3/00; 93-01-004, § 16-750-185, filed 12/2/92, effective 1/2/93.]