

RESOLUTION FOR DESTRUCTION OF NOXIOUS WEEDS AND FINES ASSESSED

Wayne County
Resolution No. 23-25

To All Property Owners in Wayne County, Iowa

You are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 317 of the Code of Iowa and amended thereto, the Board of Supervisors and the appointed Weed Commissioner of Wayne County Iowa declare the owners or persons in control of real estate within said county should destroy all weeds declared "noxious" by the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship that exist on real estate within Wayne County, Iowa.

The following species of "noxious" weeds shall be destroyed by landowners in Wayne County, Iowa before the 15th of May and as often as necessary thereafter to prevent seed production and spread:

- Musk Thistle
- Red Sorrel (Sheep Sorrel)
- Buckthorn
- Curly Dock (Sour Dock)
- Smooth Dock
- Hoary Cress (Perennial Pepper Grass)
- Leafy Spurge
- Quackgrass
- Multiflora Rose
- Teasel
- Palmer Amaranth

The following species of "noxious" weed shall be destroyed by landowners in Wayne County, Iowa before the 15th of June and as often as necessary thereafter to prevent seed production and spread:

- Canada Thistle
- Buckhorn Plantain
- Russian Knapweed
- Wild Mustard

The following species of "noxious" weed shall be destroyed by landowners in Wayne County, Iowa before the 15th of July and as often as necessary thereafter to prevent seed production and spread:

- Field Bindweed
- Poison Hemlock
- Bull Thistle
- Horse Nettle
- Perennial Sowthistle
- Tall Thistle
- Velvetleaf (Butterprint)
- Wild Sunflower
- Cocklebur
- Wild Carrot
- Puncturevine
- Shattercane

The following species of "invasive" species shall be added to the Wayne County, Iowa list of noxious weeds and should be sprayed or otherwise controlled whenever they are found on lands in Wayne County, Iowa:

- Purple Loosestrife
- Phragmites (Reed Grass)
- Garlic Mustard
- Japanese Knotweed
- Marijuana

In case of landowners and tenants failing to comply with an order to destroy weeds made pursuant to Chapter 317, the Weed Commissioner or designee may enter private lands five (5) days after serving a destruction notice in order to conduct control on any weed infestation. The cost of this destruction, plus a 25 percent on the dollar fine shall be billed to the landowner if the bill is not paid; the cost of said destruction will be assessed to the tax rolls of the weed violator. Also, the Weed Commissioner may pose a fine for each day of non-compliance up to ten (10) days at the rate of ten (\$10) dollars per day.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WAYNE COUNTY

Passed and approved this 7th day of March 2023.



Lance Lange, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

Attest:



Michelle Dooley
County Auditor/ Deputy