

2025 Noxious Weed Lists for Utah and Summit County

The following species have been designated noxious weeds by the state of Utah and/or Summit County. The Utah Weed Act states that all property owners are responsible for the control of noxious weeds. Classification is based on State criteria; however, counties can raise a species to a higher priority status based on county distribution.

State Designated Noxious in Summit County

Common Name	Scientific Name
Summit County Class 1B	
Common St. Johnswort	<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>
Cutleaf Vipergrass	<i>Scorzonera laciniata</i>
Garlic Mustard	<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>
Viper's Bugloss	<i>Echium vulgare</i>
Diffuse Knapweed	<i>Centaurea diffusa</i>
Leafy Spurge	<i>Euphorbia esula</i>
Yellow Starthistle	<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>
Yellow Toadflax	<i>Linaria vulgaris</i>
Saltcedar/ Tamarisk	<i>Tamarix chinensis</i>
Puncturevine	<i>Tribulus terrestris</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
Summit County Class 2	
Black Henbane	<i>Hyoscyamus niger</i>
Common Reed	<i>Phragmites australis</i> ssp.
Dalmatian Toadflax	<i>Linaria dalmatica</i>
Dyer's Woad	<i>Isatis tinctoria</i>
Spotted Knapweed	<i>Centaurea maculosa</i>
Canada Thistle	<i>Cirsium arvense</i>
Hoary Cress (White Top)	<i>Lepidium draba</i>
Houndstongue	<i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>
Musk Thistle	<i>Carduus nutans</i>
Perennial Pepperweed	<i>Lepidium latifolium</i>
Poison Hemlock	<i>Conium maculatum</i>
Russian Knapweed	<i>Acropliton repens</i>
Scotch Thistle	<i>Onopordum acanthium</i>
Oxeye Daisy	<i>Chrysanthemum leucanthemum</i>
Common Burdock	<i>Arcium minus</i>
Corn Chamomile	<i>Anthemis arvensis</i>
Mayweed Chamomile	<i>Anthemis cotula</i>
Scentless Chamomile	<i>Tripleurospermum perforatum</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
Summit County Class 3	
Field Bindweed	<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>
Quackgrass	<i>Elytrigia repens</i>
Myrtle Spurge	<i>Euphorbia myrsinites</i>
Summit County Class 4	
Dame's Rocket	<i>Hesperis matronalis</i>
Russian Olive	<i>Elaeagnus angustifolia</i>

Class 3 Species (Contain):

Noxious weeds that are widely distributed in the state and county. These species/populations, have reached a population size or distribution that makes eradication unlikely. Containment is the priority for these species.

Class 4 Species (Prohibited):

Noxious weeds that are known to be detrimental to human or animal health, the environment, public roads, crops, livestock or other property and are illegal to transport into or sell within the state of Utah.

Class 1A Species (Early Detection Watch List):

Noxious weed present in adjacent states, but either not present in Utah or in a few counties. These species are of the highest concern for Early Detection and Eradication.

Class 1B Species (Early Detection):

Noxious weeds present in Summit County but to a limited extent. These species are of the highest priority of eradication.

Class 2 Species (Control):

Noxious weeds that have a reasonable distribution in the state and county, but do not occur everywhere. These species are high priority for control.

State Noxious Weeds Not Known to be in Summit County

Common Name	Scientific Name
Summit County Class 1A	
African Mustard	<i>Brassica tournefortii</i>
African Rue	<i>Peganum harmala</i>
Camelthorn	<i>Alhagi maurorum</i>
Common Crupina	<i>Crupina vulgaris</i>
Elongated Mustard	<i>Brassica elongata</i>
Eurasian watermilfoil	<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>
Giant Reed	<i>Arundo donax</i>
Goatsrue	<i>Galega officinalis</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
Summit County Class 1A	
Japanese Knotweed	<i>Polygonum cuspidatum</i>
Jointed Goatgrass	<i>Aegilops cylindrica</i>
Malta Thistle	<i>Centaurea melitensis</i>
Mediterranean Sage	<i>Salvia aethiops</i> L.
Medusahhead	<i>Taeniatherum caput-medusae</i>
North African Grass	<i>Ventenata dubia</i>
Parrot feather	<i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
Summit County Class 1A	
Plumeless Thistle	<i>Carduus acanthoides</i>
Purple Starthistle	<i>Centaurea calcitrapa</i>
Rush Skeletonweed	<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>
Small Bugloss	<i>Anchusa arvensis</i>
Sorghum Alumum	<i>Sorghum alnum</i> , A, parodi
Spring Millet	<i>Milium vermale</i>
Syrian Beancaper	<i>Zygophyllum fabago</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
Summit County Class 1B	
Purple Loosestrife	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>
Squarrose Knapweed	<i>Centaurea virgata</i> (C. squarrosa)
Summit County Class 3	
Bermudagrass	<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>
Summit County Class 4	
Congagrass	<i>Imperata cylindrica</i>
Scotch Broom	<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>
Additional State Noxious Weeds	
Johnsongrass	<i>Sorghum halepense</i>