

Calendar of Removal

Plant Name	Critical Time of Year	Comments
Autumn Olive, Garlic Mustard, Tree of Heaven, Burning bush, Japanese Barbery, Oriental Bittersweet, multiflora rose	Early Spring as plants emerge	when soil is moist, hand pull or dig out any young plants
Autumn Olive, Tree of Heaven, Burning bush, Oriental Bittersweet, multiflora rose	Early Spring	For large groupings or mature plants, cut or mow at ground level. Repeated cutting is necessary.
Japanese Knotweed	Beginning in Spring	Cut plants at ground level repeatedly at least 3 times a year. Cover with black plastic after cutting or mowing.
Oriental Bittersweet	Beginning in Spring	Cut larger plants at ground level every two weeks
Autumn Olive,	April and May	Cut at ground level when in Flower. Repeated cutting is necessary
Multiflora rose, Japanese Knotweed and Oriental Bittersweet	May	Mow or cut at ground level previously cut or mowed plant areas
Garlic Mustard	before June	Hand pull small infestations when soil is moist and before seeds form. Cut large infestations when flowering begins.
Tree of Heaven	before June	cut repeatedly at ground level before or while they are in flower
Multiflora rose, Japanese Knotweed and Oriental Bittersweet	June	Mow or cut previously cut plant areas. Cover Japanese Knotweed with black plastic.

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Common Reed	July	Cut or mow at the end of July. Dispose of cut material. Repeat annually. Black plastic may help kill areas in sun
Multiflora rose, Japanese Knotweed and Oriental Bittersweet	July	Mow or cut previously cut plant areas. Cover Japanese Knotweed with black plastic.
Burning Bush	before August	Cut at ground level. Repeated cutting is necessary
Japanese Barbery	before August	Dig out small plants, getting and removing the complete root system and rhizomes. For larger plants, cut at the base, and then dig out the roots.
Multiflora rose, Japanese Knotweed and Oriental Bittersweet	August	Mow or cut previously cut plant areas. Cover Japanese Knotweed with black plastic.
Multiflora Rose	before September	Dig or pull large plants removing all roots. Follow up with repeated mowing.
Multiflora rose, Japanese Knotweed and Oriental Bittersweet	September	Mow or cut previously cut plant areas. Cover Japanese Knotweed with black plastic.
Purple Loosestrife	before October	Hand pull small infestations when soil is moist and before seeds form. Insure tap root is removed and all debris disposed of.

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