## THE SPREAD OF AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

### ATTENTION GARDENERS, AQUARISTS & GARDEN CENTRE OWNERS! PROTECT GARDENS AND YOUR ENVIRONMENT

### How?

Buy non-invasive plants for your water pond, garden water features or garden centre (See reverse side of leaflet for native bog and water garden plants)

- Sector Allow plants to colonise your water feature naturally if there is an inflowing stream
- Semove and bury aquatic invasive plants or allow plants to decay in sealed bags
  - 😢 Never dump plants or weeds into a watercourse or in its vicinity

### Why?

**y?** Invasive plants may grow aggressively in your garden pond. If they are discarded near watercourses like rivers, lakes and canals, they can grow rapidly causing environmental habitat destruction.

### **RECOGNISE UNWANTED INVASIVE\* SPECIES! Don't buy! Don't plant!**



X Azolla filiculoides Water fern



Lemna minuta



Elodea nuttallii Nuttall's waterweed



Crassula helmsii New Zealand pigmyweed



X Lysichiton americanus American skunk cabbage



Myriophyllum aquaticum Parrot's feather



Water violet





Hydrocotyle ranunculoides



Nymphoides peltata

Lagarosiphon major African curly leaved waterweed

### Other invasive species include:

Egeria densa, Aponogeton distachyos, Sagittaria rigida and Ceratophyllum submersum.

**\*Note:** Some species may be potentially invasive.

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### **Marginals/Emergents**

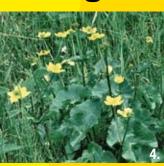
**Oxygenators** 



Butomus umbellatus **Flowering rush** 



Lychnis flos-cuculi **Ragged robin** 



Caltha palustris **Marsh marigold** 



Mentha aquatica Water mint



V Iris pseudacorus **Yellow flag iris** 



Potentilla palustris **Marsh cinquefoil** 



🕖 Menyanthes trifoliata **Bogbean** 



Hippuris vulgaris Mare's tail



Nuphar lutea **Yellow water lily** 



Potamogeton crispus **Curled pondweed** 

### **Floating Plants**



Nymphaea alba White water-lily







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Potamogeton pusillus Lesser pondweed

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Potamogeton perfoliatus

**Perfoliate pondweed** 

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