

Invasive Species and Toxic Plant Disposal Options for Practitioners and Commercial Customers

Please consult [these best management practices](#) for advice on the prevention and control of priority invasive species. To reduce the risk of further spread, it is often best to **leave the material on site** to desiccate rather than transporting it to a disposal facility. If on site disposal is not possible for your situation, please consult this list of disposal facilities.

The following list is intended for use by practitioners and commercial customers, not by residents. Residents who wish to dispose of invasive plants or soil containing invasive species should contact their municipality directly for disposal advice. Some municipalities ask residents to place them in the green bin, some the garbage bin. Residents should not put invasive plants in their backyard composter as the temperature will not become hot enough to destroy the seeds or hardy roots.

The information provided in this list is intended for educational purposes only. **This publication is not intended to endorse or recommend any particular product, material or service provider nor is it intended as a substitute for engineering, legal, or other professional advice.** The list will be updated from time to time, but practitioners and commercial customers should **always contact the facilities beforehand to confirm they can properly handle the material.** Please contact icentre@metrovancover.org if you have any questions, or you find any broken links or out-of-date information in this list.

Invasive Species or Toxic Plant Material

Material	Location	Address	Phone
Green Waste from within the Japanese beetle regulated area in Vancouver	Vancouver South Transfer Station Accepts Green Waste (including grass clippings, leaves, and branches) from within Vancouver’s Japanese beetle regulated area between June 15 and October 15 (the Japanese beetle flight period) only. <i>Green Waste from within the regulated area will <u>not</u> be accepted at Metro Vancouver recycling and waste centres during this period.</i>	377 West Kent Ave North, Vancouver, BC	604-873-7000 or 3-1-1
Green Waste from within the Japanese beetle regulated area in Burnaby	Burnaby Eco-Centre Accepts Green Waste (including grass clippings, leaves, and branches) from within Burnaby’s Japanese beetle regulated area between June 15 and October 15 (the Japanese beetle flight period) only. <i>Green Waste from within the regulated area will <u>not</u> be accepted at Metro Vancouver recycling and waste centres during this period.</i>	4855 Still Creek Drive, Burnaby, BC	604-294-7972

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Toxic Plants (includes giant hogweed, daphne/spurge laurel, and devil's club)	Metro Vancouver's Waste-to-Energy facility Accepts dedicated loads of double-bagged and sealed toxic plants if customers have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-approval from the Manager of Solid Waste Services (contact weighscalesystem@metrovancover.org or 604-451-6185); • A commercial account with Metro Vancouver; and • A self-unloading vehicle. 	5150 Riverbend Drive, Burnaby, BC	604-432-6200
	Vancouver Landfill and Recycling Depot Accepts double-bagged toxic plants for deep burial only (additional charge). A Waste Assessment Form must be completed.	5400 72nd Street, Delta, BC	3-1-1 or 604-873-7322 (from outside Vancouver)
Knotweeds	Metro Vancouver Recycling and Waste Centres Accepts knotweeds in the Green Waste or Garbage areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Langley Recycling and Waste Centre • Maple Ridge Recycling and Waste Centre • North Shore Recycling and Waste Centre • North Surrey Recycling and Waste Centre • United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre 	604-432-6200
	Metro Vancouver's Waste-to-Energy facility Accepts dedicated loads of knotweeds if customers have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-approval from the Manager of Solid Waste Services (contact weighscalesystem@metrovancover.org or 604-451-6185); • A commercial account with Metro Vancouver; and • A self-unloading vehicle. 	5150 Riverbend Drive, Burnaby, BC	604-432-6200
	Net Zero Waste Accepts yard trimmings for industrial composting. No soil or rocks.	5050 Gladwin Road, Abbotsford, BC	604-557-7065
	Vancouver Landfill and Recycling Depot Accepts knotweeds for deep burial only (additional charge). Loads must be bagged or tarped before transporting to the Vancouver Landfill. A Waste Assessment Form must be completed.	5400 72nd Street, Delta, BC	3-1-1 or 604-873-7322 (from outside Vancouver)

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Other invasive plants	Metro Vancouver Recycling and Waste Centres Accepts yard trimmings in the Green Waste area for industrial composting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Langley Recycling and Waste Centre • Maple Ridge Recycling and Waste Centre • North Shore Recycling and Waste Centre • North Surrey Recycling and Waste Centre • United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre 	604-432-6200
	Net Zero Waste Accepts yard trimmings for industrial composting. No soil or rocks.	5050 Gladwin Road, Abbotsford, BC	604-557-7065
	Vancouver Landfill and Recycling Depot Accepts invasive plants for deep burial only (additional charge). Loads must be bagged or tarped before transporting to the facility. A Waste Assessment Form must be completed.	5400 72nd Street, Delta, BC	3-1-1 or 604-873-7322 (from outside Vancouver)

Soil or Sod Infested with Invasive Species

Material	Location	Address	Phone
Soil or sod from within the Japanese beetle regulated areas in Vancouver and Burnaby	Contact the Canadian Food Inspection Agency Before moving soil outside the Japanese beetle regulated areas in Vancouver and Burnaby, contact the Canadian Food Inspection Agency at cfia.wstjb-sj.acia@canada.ca or 604-292-5742. More information	N/A	604-292-5742
Soil or sod infested with European chafer beetles, European fire ants, or giant hogweed	Vancouver Landfill and Recycling Depot Accepts soil infested with European chafer beetle and fire ants for deep burial only (additional charge). A Waste Assessment Form must be completed.	5400 72nd Street, Delta, BC	3-1-1 or 604-873-7322 (from outside Vancouver)
	Envirogreen Technologies Ltd. Princeton Accepts soil portion for thermal treatment, biomass must be separated and disposed of elsewhere. A completed and approved Waste Approval Application is required before scheduling loads.	1901 Hwy 3, Princeton, BC	604-888-6048
Soil infested with knotweeds	Vancouver Landfill and Recycling Depot Accepts soil infested with knotweeds for deep burial only (additional charge). A Waste Assessment Form must be completed.	5400 72nd Street, Delta, BC	3-1-1 or 604-873-7322 (from outside Vancouver)
	Saskay Earth Exchange Ltd Accepts soil infested with invasive species (including roots). Call the facility beforehand for rates and special soil testing requirements.	2650 Pitt River Rd, Port Coquitlam, BC	778-801-1701



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