

From: [Sharon Mc Ternan](#)
To: [Brian Oakey](#)
Cc: [Janis Perry](#)
Subject: Re: Noxious Weeds
Date: Friday, July 14, 2017 8:46:59 PM
Importance: High

I do apologize for not attaching this photo in my first e-mail



On Jul 14, 2017, at 2:31 PM, Sharon Mc Ternan <sharonmcternan@icloud.com> wrote:

Brian,

As you well know under Idaho Statutes Title 67 State Government and State Affairs Chapter 45 State Symbols 67-4513 which was added in 2014, ch. 66. sec. 1, p. 169.]

I will not go into all that it states because you already know what it says regarding State NOXIOUS and INVASIVE WEEDS.

Under Title 22 Agriculture and Horticulture Chapter 24 NOXIOUS WEEDS 22-2407 LANDOWNER AND CITIZEN DUTIES.

I will not copy the entire document because you can look that up yourself, numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 which is outlined in section 22-2405(/statutesrules/idstatt/Title22/T22CH24/SECT22-2405, Idaho Code.

Title 22 Agriculture and Horticulture Chapter 4 PURE SEED LAW 214 LABEL REQUIREMENTS.

Under Number (1)

Letter (C) Origin by state or foreign country, if known. If the origin is unknown, that fact shall be stated.

Letter (G) The name and rate of occurrence per pound of each kind of restricted noxious

weed seed present. All Determinations of noxious weed seeds shall be subject to tolerances and methods of determination prescribed in the rules and regulations under this chapter.

Letter (I) Name and address of the person who labeled the seed, or who sells or delivers seed under a contract, or his federal consumer marketing service number or agriculture marketing service number.

Under Number (6) For all agricultural, vegetable, flower, tree and shrub seeds treated to prevent contamination, infection or disease:

Letter (c) The appropriate toxicity category signal word and precautionary statements which correspond to the toxicity categories set forth in "title 40" code of federal regulations, effective July 1, 1989;

Signal Words for Toxicity Categories

Toxicity Category

I

DANGER

If assigned to toxicity category I on the basis of oral, inhalation or dermal toxicity, the word "Poison" shall appear in red on a background of distinctly contrasting color and the skull and crossbones shall appear in immediate proximity to the word "Poison".

II

WARNING

III

CAUTION

IV

CAUTION

then it goes on with additional requirements provided in section 22-436 Idaho Code.

Myself along with many others do not understand why these Japanese Yew plants are aloud to be sold in the State of Idaho. They are not native to this State, they have killed children, many animal and pets, it is atrocious.

Why the department of Agriculture is not demanding these be eradicated regardless if it they are on public or private property.

It should be illegal to sell or have any Japanese Yew Plant or tree in the State of Idaho. There are still stores allowed to sell thee poisonous and disgusting plants. They should be not only fined but have their licenses removed at least until they no longer sell this plant.

The Pronghorn deaths due to the Japanese Yew plants/trees can also kill a human with just a very small amount.

This needs to stop and there is no real reason it should have to take so long to get this law passed! I those passing laws want something to get through quickly it happens.

Please think of the children and pets and all other humans who have no idea what could happen if they purchase this plant and put it in their garden.

I would like to thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sharon McTernan

Meridian, Idaho

From: landscapesolutions4u@yahoo.com
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Subject: Taxus
Date: Friday, July 14, 2017 9:15:25 AM

I am opposed to legislating that Yews no longer be legally sold in Idaho. This is clearly an educational issue as opposed to becoming legislation.

There are many commonly used trees and shrubs that are toxic to humans and animals in the landscapes of Idaho. There are also many that are used as house plants in our homes. Does the state intend to legislate those plants as well?

This is the same intrusion that other governments have tried to legislate including the size of soft drinks the one may purchase.

Let's create smarter consumers and utilize the vast experience of our nurseries and landscape architects to select the proper plants for the particular locations intended for them.

Let's not bow under the pressure of the uneducated and those prone to knee jerk reactions.

Thank you for your consideration

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Kara Cadwallader](#)
To: [_Rulesinfo](#)
Subject: toxic yew plants
Date: Friday, July 14, 2017 1:47:58 PM

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to strongly support the labeling of the Toxic Yew as a noxious weed by the Department of Agriculture. This tree is killing our wildlife and poisoning our children. I urge you to ban the sale of the plant!

I am a physician and I have children. We spend a lot of time in the outdoors and love that about Idaho. We want to preserve our children's health and safety and keep Idaho wildlife safe.

Thank you for your consideration

Kara Cadwallader MD

Boise, Idaho

From: [Sun Valley Garden Center](#)
To: [Rulesinfo](#)
Subject: yews
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We oppose yews being put on the Idaho noxious plant list.

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