



# **North West Regional Best Practice Guide for: Madeira Vine**

Botanical Name: *Anredera cordifolia*Common Names: Madeira Vine

North West Regional Priority Weeds Objective - Asset Protection

These weeds are widely distributed in the region. Their spread should be minimised to protect

priority assets.

<u>Madeira Vine:</u> A climber with wide, fleshy, ovate leaves that are 2 to 15cm long, with flower spikes up to 30cm long. The vine produces thousands of tubers both underground and aerially along the stems. Madeira Vine is a succulent climbing vine that invades tropical and subtropical forests and riparian vegetation killing native trees and understory plants.

## General Biosecurity Duty – *Biosecurity Act 2015*

A **general biosecurity duty** applies to all dealings (as defined) with this species. Any person who deals with this species who knows (or ought to know) of any biosecurity risk posed by the plant, a carrier or a dealing, has a duty to ensure the biosecurity risk is prevented, eliminated or minimised, so far as is reasonably practicable.



Photo: NSW DPI

### **Regional Recommended Measure:**

#### Outcomes to demonstrate compliance with GBD

**Whole of region:** Land managers should mitigate the risk of the plant being introduced to their land, Land managers should mitigate spread of the plant from their land, A person should not buy, sell, move, carry or release the plant into the environment, Land managers should reduce the impact of the plant on assets of high economic, environmental and/or social value.

**Mandatory Measure** (Division 8, Clause 33 Biosecurity Regulation 2017) A person must not import into the State or sell.

## **Liverpool Plains Shire Council Local Control Requirements**

- 1. Reduce the size and density of infested area by physical, mechanical and or chemical control methods, and
- 2. Eliminate or minimise the risk of spread onto neighbouring lands.

## Penalty for not complying with the general biosecurity duty or a direction issued under the *Biosecurity Act 2015*

The maximum penalty is:

- in the case of an individual—\$220,000 and, in the case of a continuing offence, a further penalty of \$55,000 for each day the offence continues, or
- in the case of a corporation—\$440,000 and, in the case of a continuing offence, a further penalty of \$110,000 for each day the offence continues.

The maximum penalty for an offence that is committed negligently is:

- in the case of an individual—\$1,100,000 and, in the case of a continuing offence, a further penalty of \$137,500 for each day the offence continues, or
- in the case of a corporation—\$2,200,000 and, in the case of a continuing offence, a further penalty of \$275,000 for each day the offence continues.

## **Madeira Vine Control Calendar**

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#### **GROWTH CYCLES**

#### **FLOWERING**

## INTERGRATED CONTROL TECHNIQUES AND ALTERNATIVES

#### **HERBICIDE**

#### **MANUAL REMOVAL**

#### **FOLLOW UP REGROWTH**

**Control Methods/Techniques:** Combinations of the following methods are effective.

Manual: Hand dig, scrape and paint, foliar spray. "Never cut and paint".

Chemicals: There are a number of Registered Herbicides for use on Madeira vine for foliar and stem scraping application.

Cultural/Biological: Leaf feeding beetles Plectonychna correntina have been released in NSW showing significant leaf damage.

## **Registered Herbicide Application Rates:**

Please refer to the NSW DPI Website NSW WeedWise. <a href="https://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au">https://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au</a> for current up to date permits and Registered Chemicals. Or to NSW Weed Control Handbook 2018 7<sup>th</sup> Edition for Chemical Options.

#### **Critical Comments:**

- > Apply in warmer months when plant is actively growing.
- > Consult your LCA Biosecurity Officer- Weeds for application tips.
- > Always read and follow the Label instructions and SDS of respective herbicides.

## NOTE:

- (a) All Control Techniques involving herbicide use must comply with the directions on the herbicide label or the conditions set out in a current permit to use a nominated herbicide.
- (b) All Chemical application programs used must be undertaken by or be designed and supervised by an appropriately Certified and Accredited Chemical user.
- (c) Growth patterns and the changes to optimum treatment times will vary with seasonal conditions due to air temperature changes that may coincide with soil and moisture availability.
- (d) All chemical control programs must be carried out in accordance with the Pesticides Act 1999 and Pesticide Regulation 2017.

#### Disclaimer:

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## **Linkage to Plans/Strategies**

- North West Regional Strategic Weed Management Plan 2023-2025
- NSW Biosecurity Strategy 2013-2021
- NSW Biosecurity Act 2015
- NSW Invasive Species Plan 2018- 2021
- Pesticides Act 1999 and Pesticide Regulation 2017

**References:** NSW DPI Website /WeedWise/ NSW Weed Control Handbook 2018 7<sup>th</sup> Edition.

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