PRISM: Long Island Invasive Species Management Area

Scientific name: Hedera helix  
Common names: English ivy  
USDA Plants Code: HEHE  
Native Distribution: Eurasia

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New York Relative Maximum score: 66.00  
New York State Invasive Rank: Moderate

SUMMARY OF PRISM RANKING RESULTS:

Distribution: Widespread

Estimated number of infested sites: 90+

PRISM Invasiveness Rank: Moderate

A. DISTRIBUTION AND ABUNDANCE  
(KNOWLEDGEPOTENTIAL):

1. What is the species distribution and abundance in the PRISM?

A. Not present  
B. Occurs in three or fewer natural areas (locations that are at least ¼ mile apart) with no infested area* >1 acre or containing >100 individuals  
C. Present in 4–10 natural areas, or with one occupied location >1 acre or containing >100 individuals  
D. Present in >10 minimally managed areas  
U. Unknown

Answer: Widespread

Describe distribution:
Documented from over 90 sites on Long Island and Staten Island since 1980.
Sources of information:
Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 2009.

2. What is the likelihood the species will occur (if not yet present) or expand its distribution and abundance (if already present) in the PRISM?

Answer: Very likely

Documentation (e.g.: history of establishment in PRISM, suitability of habitats and climate, distribution models, literature, expert opinions):
Well established in PRISM.
Sources of information:
Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 2009.

B. INVASIVENESS RANK IN THE PRISM:

Is the species distribution Widespread or Common?
Yes: Go to column A in table below.
No: What is the likelihood of species occurrence or expansion? Answer: 

Very Likely: Use column A below
Moderately likely: Use column B below
Unlikely: Use column C below
Zero likelihood Invasive potential Insignificant
Unknown Invasive potential Unknown
Not assessed Invasive potential not assessed

Assign a PRISM invasiveness rank to the species based on its New York Relative Maximum Score, using the designated column in the table below.

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<th>New York Relative Maximum Score</th>
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Column used: A (Insert PRISM Invasiveness Rank on page 1)

References for species assessment:

Citation: This ranking form for regions within NYS may be cited as: Jordan, M.J., G. Moore and T.W. Weldy. 2008. Invasiveness ranking system for non-native plants of New York. Unpublished. The Nature Conservancy, Cold Spring Harbor, NY; Brooklyn Botanic Garden, Brooklyn, NY; The Nature Conservancy, Albany, NY. Note that the order of authorship is alphabetical; all three authors contributed substantially to the development of this protocol.

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