Extracted from the Wildlife Act 1990

12 Protection of wild plants

- (1) Subject to the provisions of this Part, if any person-
 - (a) intentionally [1 or recklessly] picks, uproots or destroys any wild plant included in Schedule 7; or
 - (b) not being an authorised person, intentionally uproots any wild plant not included in that Schedule.

he shall be guilty of an offence.

- (2) Subject to the provisions of this Part, if any person-
- (a) sells, offers or exposes for sale, or has in his possession or transports for the purpose of sale, any live or dead wild plant included in Schedule 7, or any part of, or anything derived from, such a plant; or
- (b) publishes or causes to be published any advertisement likely to be understood as conveying that he buys or sells, or intends to buy or sell, any of those things, he shall be guilty of an offence.
- (3) Notwithstanding anything in subsection (1), a person shall not be guilty of an offence by reason of any act made unlawful by that subsection if he shows that the act was an incidental result of a lawful operation and could not reasonably have been avoided.
- (4) In any proceedings for an offence under subsection (2)(a), the plant in question shall be presumed to have been a wild plant unless the contrary is shown.
- (5) Any person authorised in writing by the Department may, at any reasonable time and (if required to do so) upon producing evidence that he is authorised, enter any land for the purpose of ascertaining whether an offence under subsection (1) or (2) is being, or has been, committed on that land; but nothing in this subsection shall authorise any person to enter a dwelling.
- (6) Any person who intentionally obstructs a person acting in the exercise of the power conferred by subsection (5) shall be guilty of an offence.

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Schedule 7 Plants which are Protected

Common name
Agrimony
Alpine clubmoss
Beech fern
Blunt-leaved pondweed
Brackish water crowfoot
Burnet saxifrage
Carline thistle
Celery-leaved buttercup
Common bladderwort
Common cow-wheat
Common sea lavender
Common wintergreen
Cranberry

Scientific name
Agrimonia eupatoria
Diphasiastrum alpinum
Phegopteris connectilis
Potamogeton obtusifolius
Ranunculus baudotii
Pimpinella saxifraga
Carlina vulgaris
Ranunculus sceleratus
Utricularia vulgaris
Melampyrum pratense
Limonium vulgare
Pyrola minor
Vaccinium oxycoccus

¹ Words inserted by s. 3(a) of the Agricultural (Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2008 (c.11) as from 16th July 2008

Dioecious sedge Dodder Dune fescue **Eelgrass** Fennel pondweed Few-flowered spike rush Field gentian Floating burr-reed Floating club-rush Grass-leaved orache Greater broomrape Greater spearwort Hare's-foot clover Hay-scented buckler-fern Horned pondweed Iceland cress Isle of Man cabbage Ivy-leaved bellflower Juniper Killarney filmy fern Least willow Lesser clubmoss Lesser tussock-sedge Lesser water-plantain Maidenhair fern Marsh hawk's-beard Marsh stitchwort Mountain pansy Narrow buckler-fern Narrow-leaved water-plantain Nodding bur-marigold Orchid (all species) Oyster plant Pale butterwort Pale sedge Parsley fern Parsley water-dropwort Pennyroyal Pillwort Pink water speedwell Portland spurge Rock sea lavenders Saltmarsh flat-sedge Sea-purslane Sea wormwood Shepherd's cress Slender spike-rush Smooth cat's-ear Spring sandwort Stagshorn club moss Strawberry clover Tubular water-dropwort Viper's bugloss Western clover White sedge

Cuscuta epithymum Vulpia fasciculata Zostera marina Potamogeton pectinatus Eleocharis quinqueflora Gentianella campestris Sparganium natans Eleogiton fluitans Atriplex littoralis Orobanche rapum-genistae Ranunculus lingua Trifolium arvense Dryopteris aemula Zannichellia palustris Rorippa islandica Coincya monensis monensis Wahlenbergia hederacea Juniperus communis Trichomanes speciosum Salix herbacea Selaginella selaginoides Carex diandra Baldellia ranunculoides Adiantum capillus veneris Crepis paludosa Stellaria palustris Viola lutea Dryopteris carthusiana Alisma lanceolatum Bidens cernua Orchidaceae Mertensia maritima Pinguicula lusitanica Carex pallescens Cryptogramma crispa Oenanthe lachenalii Mentha pulegium Pilularia globulifera Veronica catenata Euphorbia portlandica Limonium binervosum agg. Blysmus rufus Atriplex portulacoides Seriphidium maritimum Teesdalia nudicaulis Eleocharis uniglumis Hypochaeris glabra Minuartia verna Lycopodium clavatum Trifolium fragiferum Oenanthe fistulosa Echium vulgare Trifolium occidentale Carex curta

Carex dioica

Wilson's filmy fern
Wood fescue
Wood melick
Wood small-reed
Wood speedwell
Wood vetch
Yellow waterlily

Hymenophyllum wilsonii
Festuca altissima
Melica uniflora
Calamagrostis epigejos
Veronica montana
Vicia sylvatica
Nuphar lutea

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