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Leafy Spurge

Euphorbia esula

Unwanted for: Releasing toxins that inhibit other plant growth. Ability to resprout from small root fragments. Aggressively invading areas of open land.

Plant Type: A perennial herb with alternate, lance shaped leaves. Small yellow flowers in groups of 3 appear in June, and when damaged, the plant exudes milky sap.

What you can do:

- Apply herbicide when flowers are developing, follow up with multiple treatments to prevent reinfestation.
- Grazing can reduce spurge, but will not eliminate it.

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Apprehend this plant carefully, it may be mistaken for others!

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