

# STILTGRASS

## JAPANESE STILTGRASS



### WHAT IS IT?

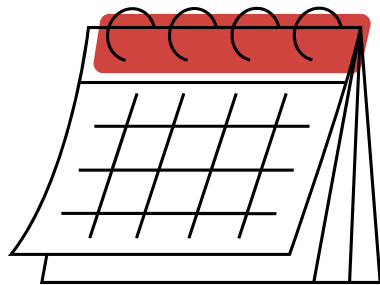
An invasive plant with pale green, lance-shaped leaves with a silvery stripe, prop roots (that look like stilts) and “collar hairs”.

### WHY IS IT AN ISSUE?

This grass is a fast colonizing annual that forms a dense carpet on the ground. This can smother new growths from native plants. Additionally, stiltgrass has weak roots, resulting in more erosion after heavy rains.

### WHEN TO MANAGE?

Before seed production. Seed production is Sept- Oct. Ideally, removal is early to middle of August.



### HOW TO MANAGE?:

Hand pulling, using tools such as a weed whacker, lawn mower, or brush hog to mow/mulch. This will deplete the root reserves.



Windham Conservation District is part of the Southeast Vermont Cooperative Invasive Species Management Association (CISMA) is a non-profit volunteer group whose goal is to educate and to help manage invasive plant species.



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