

Rumex acetosa

COMMON NAMES

sorrel

BIOSTATUS

Exotic

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

CATEGORY

Vascular

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

FLOWER COLOURS

Red/Pink

GENUS

Rumex

FAMILY

Polygonaceae

AUTHORITY

Rumex acetosa L.

ENDEMIC GENUS

No

ENDEMIC FAMILY

No

YEAR NATURALISED

1855

ORIGIN

Temperate Eurasia

WETLAND PLANT INDICATOR STATUS RATING

FAC: Facultative

Commonly occurs as either a hydrophyte or non-hydrophyte (non-wetlands).

ETYMOLOGY

rumex: Sorrel

acetosa: From the Latin acetosus 'sour'

NVS CODE

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MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/rumex-acetosa/>

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