



# BE ON THE ALERT!

## for Japanese beetle (*Popillia japonica*)

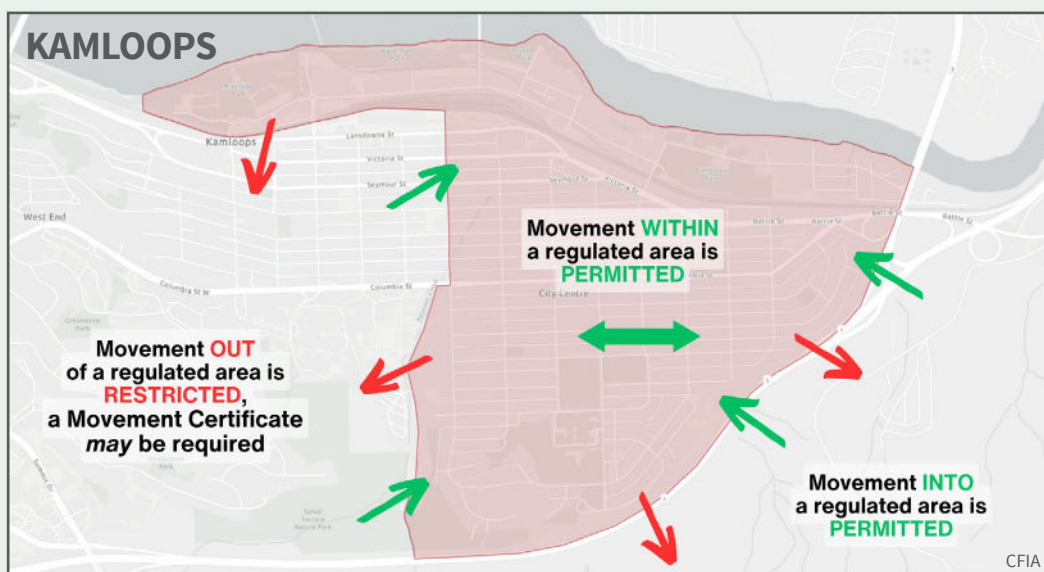
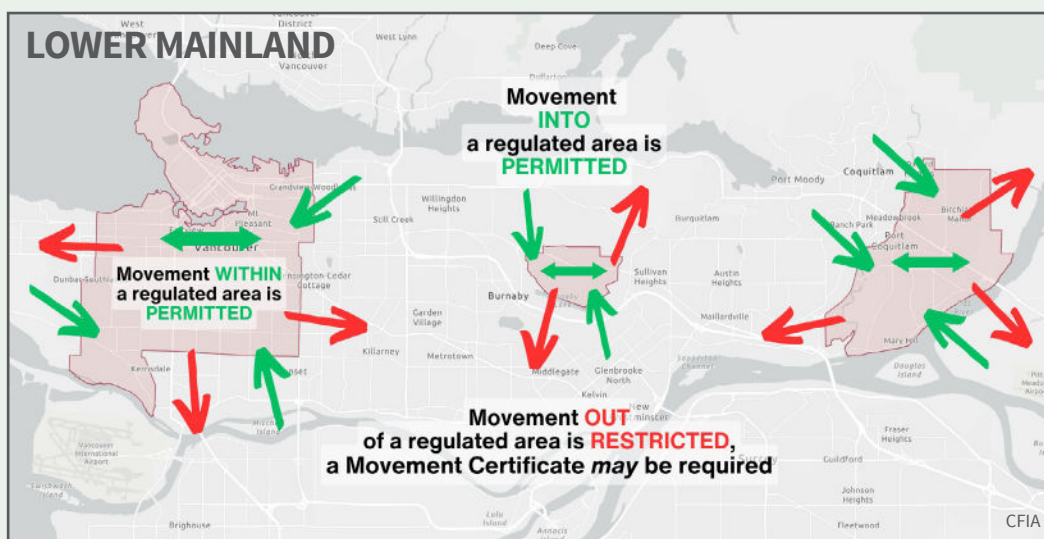
Japanese beetle is a highly destructive plant pest which was first detected in BC in 2017. The beetle feeds on the roots and leaves of grass and more than 300 plant species including: roses, fruit trees, grapevines, and more. The Japanese beetle has the potential to severely damage BC's agriculture, horticulture and environmental landscapes, impacting food plants, farms, green spaces, lawns, playing fields, golf courses, and gardens.

### Management Effort

All levels of government, businesses and local partners are working together to eliminate Japanese beetle from the Lower Mainland and Kamloops and prevent its spread into new areas.



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### What You Should Know

A regulated area is in effect within the Cities of Burnaby, Port Coquitlam, Vancouver, and Kamloops. A movement certificate issued by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) is required year-round to move or dispose of plants with soil, soil-related matter, and/or growing media attached out of a regulated area.

As a best practice, leave green waste on-site whenever possible. Remove as much soil from plant roots as possible before disposal.

To obtain a movement certificate or find out more about the restrictions, visit [inspection.canada.ca/JB](https://inspection.canada.ca/JB).

**NEW FOR 2025** A new regulated area has been established in the City of Kamloops. These maps show where the regulated areas are and the permitted and restricted movement of plants with soil attached.

For information on where to dispose of regulated material please contact:

City of Vancouver  
[vancouver.ca/japanesebeetle](https://vancouver.ca/japanesebeetle)  
OR CALL 311

City of Burnaby  
[burnaby.ca/japanesebeetle](https://burnaby.ca/japanesebeetle)  
OR CALL 604-294-7850

City of Port Coquitlam  
[portcoquitlam.ca/japanesebeetle](https://portcoquitlam.ca/japanesebeetle)  
OR CALL 604-927-5496

City of Kamloops  
[kamloops.ca/japanesebeetle](https://kamloops.ca/japanesebeetle)  
OR CALL 250-828-3461

Treatment efforts are underway to remove the beetle from BC. Private properties in the regulated areas may require treatment. To learn more, contact: **The Province of British Columbia**



### How Can I Help?

Report observations of this beetle or the lace-like feeding damage. Send all reports and photos to CFIA:

- » [BCPF.Japanese.Beetle@inspection.gc.ca](mailto:BCPF.Japanese.Beetle@inspection.gc.ca)
- » 604-292-5742
- » You can also report sightings on the Report Invasives BC app



For more information and for best practices to prevent the spread of Japanese beetle, visit: **[BCINVASIVES.CA/JB](https://bcinvasives.ca/jb)**