



## MOSEL BAY GOLF ESTATE HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Association incorporated under section 21 of the Companies Act 1973 (as amended)

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Date: **29 May 2023**

Dear MOSEL BAY GOLF ESTATE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MEMBER(S)

During September 2022 a routine inspection was carried out on the estate by an independent environmental inspector employed by the homeowners association and the following concerns was brought under the attention of the Board:

Alien vegetation (trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants) present on numerous properties on the estate (see photos attached) include;

- ***Cestrum spp.*** (Inkberry)
- ***Opuntia spp.*** (Prickly pear/Cacti)
- ***Cereus spp.*** (Cacti)
- ***Cylindropuntia spp.*** (Cacti)
- ***Agave spp.*** (Agave/Sisal)
- ***Acacia Cyclops*** (Rooikrans)
- ***Myoporum tenuifolium subsp Montanum*** (Manatoka)
- ***Callistemon spp.*** (Bottlebrush)
- ***Nephrolepis cordifolia subsp cordifolia*** (Sword fern)

Under the Alien and Invasive Species Regulations (AIS) and National Environmental Management Biodiversity Act (Act no 10 of 2004) (NEMBA), the aforementioned species are classified as follows:

**Inkberry** (*Cestrum spp.*) All species

- a) **Category 3 in the Western Cape** - Invasive species which may remain in prescribed areas or provinces. Further planting, propagation or trade is however prohibited.

**Prickly pear/Cacti** (*Opuntia spp.*) All species

- b) **Category 1b**: Invasive species which must be controlled and wherever possible, removed and destroyed. Any form of trade or planting is strictly prohibited.

**Cacti** (*Cereus spp.*) All species

- c) **Category 1b**: Invasive species which must be controlled and wherever possible, removed and destroyed. Any form of trade or planting is strictly prohibited.

**Cacti** (*Cylindropuntia spp.*) All species

- d) **Category 1b in the Western Cape**: Invasive species which must be controlled and wherever possible, removed and destroyed. Any form of trade or planting is strictly prohibited.

**Agave** (*Agave/Sisal spp.*) All species

- e) **Category 3 in the Western Cape** - Invasive species which may remain in prescribed areas or provinces. Further planting, propagation or trade is however prohibited.

**Rooikrans** (*Acacia cyclops*)

- f) **Category 3 in the Western Cape** - Invasive species which may remain in prescribed areas or provinces. Further planting, propagation or trade is however prohibited.

**Manatoka** (*Myoporum tenuifolium subsp Montanum*)

- g) **Category 1b**: Invasive species which must be controlled and wherever possible, removed and destroyed. Any form of trade or planting is strictly prohibited.

**Bottlebrush** (*Callistemon spp.*) All species

- h) **Category 3 in the Western Cape** - Invasive species which may remain in prescribed areas or provinces. Further planting, propagation or trade is however prohibited.

**Sword fern** (*Nephrolepis cordifolia subsp cordifolia*)

- i) **Category 1b:** Invasive species which must be controlled and wherever possible, removed and destroyed. Any form of trade or planting is strictly prohibited.

These species, although aesthetically pleasing has a negative impact on the surrounding indigenous vegetation. Although species listed as category 3 may remain in prescribed areas with no further propagation, the Board highly discourage this practice. This type of activity is in direct violation of the Mossel Bay Golf Estate Homeowners Association's governing documents and rules. Please refer to Section 7 of the Estate's Environmental Management Plan for in depth details and guidelines for acceptable garden plant establishment.

Private homeowners have been gardening in the public, conservation area, especially along the coastal edge. It is from here that garden plants spread into the conservation area. It is recommended that the management plan is amended to allow for gardening up to an acceptable line, but that only indigenous plants may be allowed in gardens bordering conservation areas. Provide a period of one year for residents to comply and change their gardens.

We kindly wish to request that you be in compliance with the Homeowners Association's Documents so that no further action is necessary. Your cooperation would be appreciated by your association and your neighbours and will help maintain an aesthetically pleasing community, which in turn keeps real estate values high. Thank you for your anticipated co-operation in correcting this matter.

Sincerely,

MOSSEL BAY GOLF ESTATE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION  
Environmental Sub-Committee





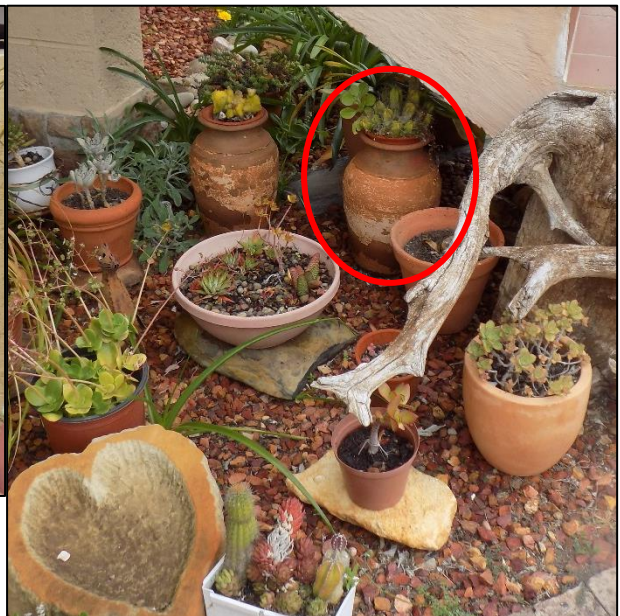
**Inkberry (Cestrum)**



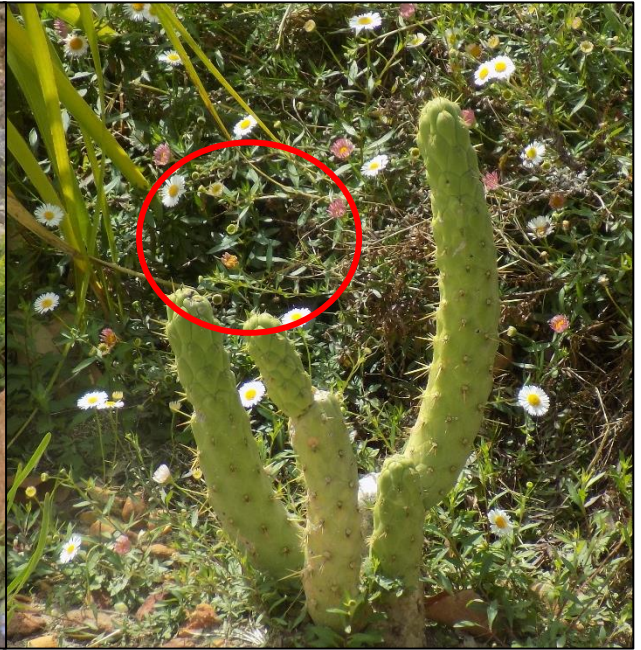
**Rooikranz (Acacia cyclops)**



**Prickly pear (Cacti)**









**Cacti (Cylindropuntia)**

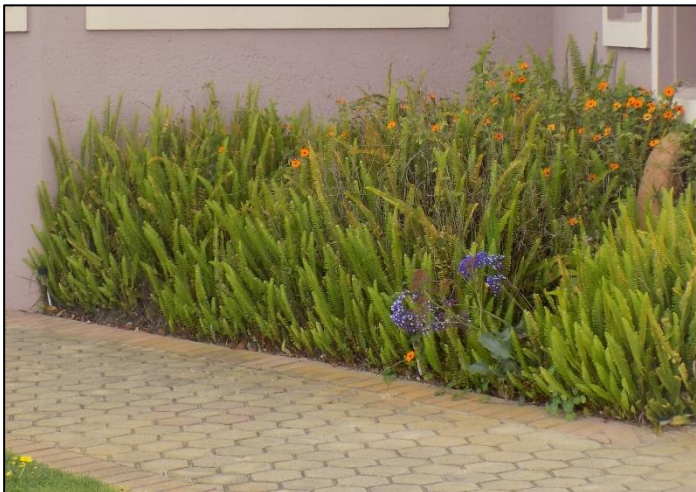


**Agave/Sisal (Agave)**



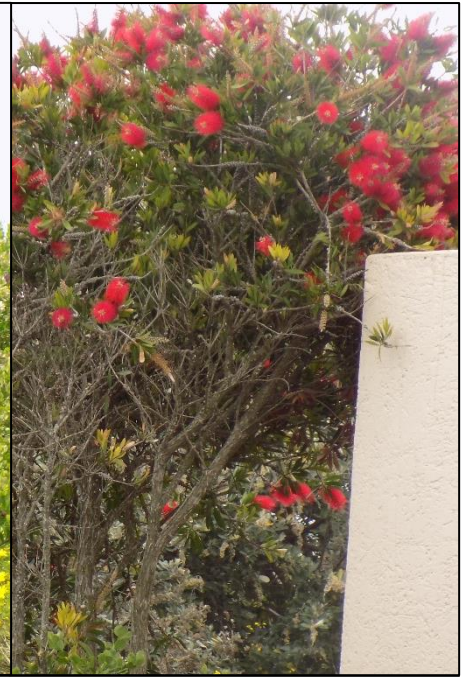


**Manatoka (*Myoprum tenuifolium* subsp *Montanum*)**



**Sword fern (*Nephrollepis cordifolia*)**





**Bottlebrush (Callistemon)**