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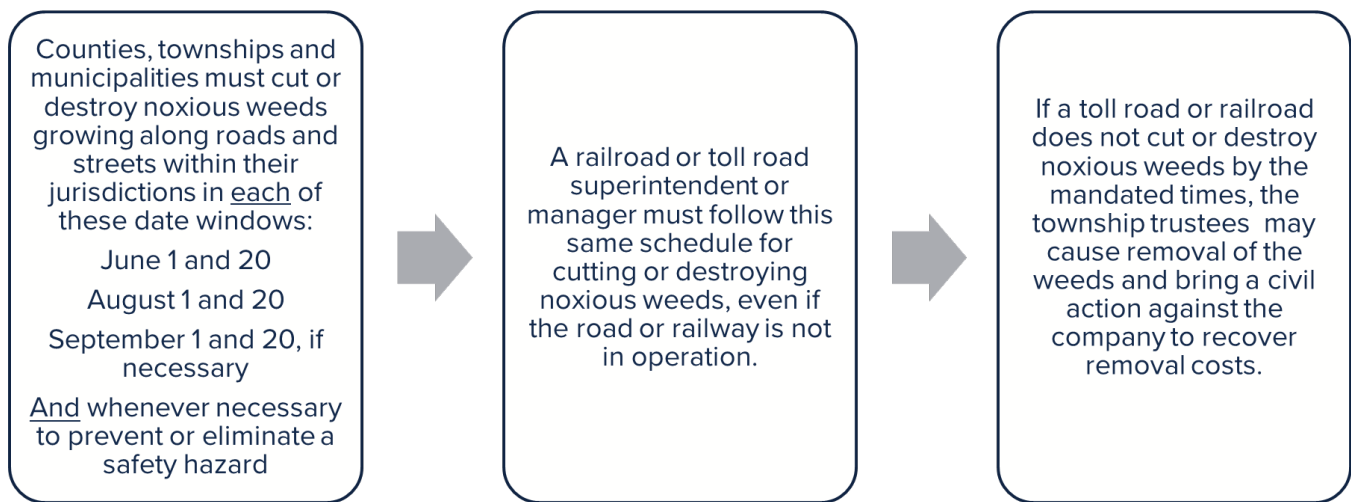
## Legal procedures for dealing with noxious weeds in Ohio's rural areas

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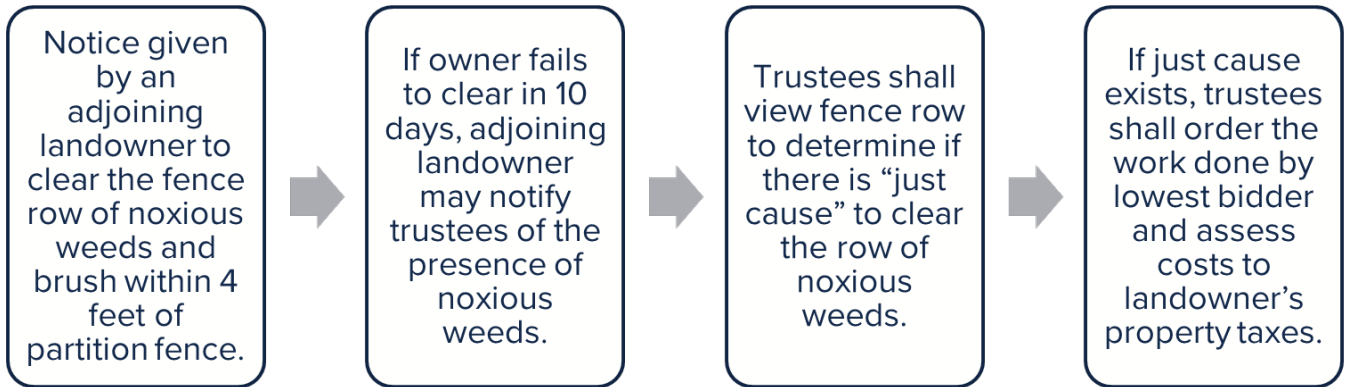
Noxious weeds can create many negative impacts, such as loss of crop productivity, harm to animals, and invasion of yards and natural ecosystems. Ohio law offers mechanisms for dealing with noxious weeds, but the legal mechanisms differ depending upon the location of the noxious weeds. These diagrams summarize the legal procedures for addressing noxious weeds in four locations: along a roadway, in a partition fence row, on private land beyond the fence row, and on park land.

For additional explanation of Ohio's noxious weed laws, see our law bulletin on *Ohio's Noxious Weeds Laws*, available in the Farm Office law library on [farmoffice.osu.edu](http://farmoffice.osu.edu).

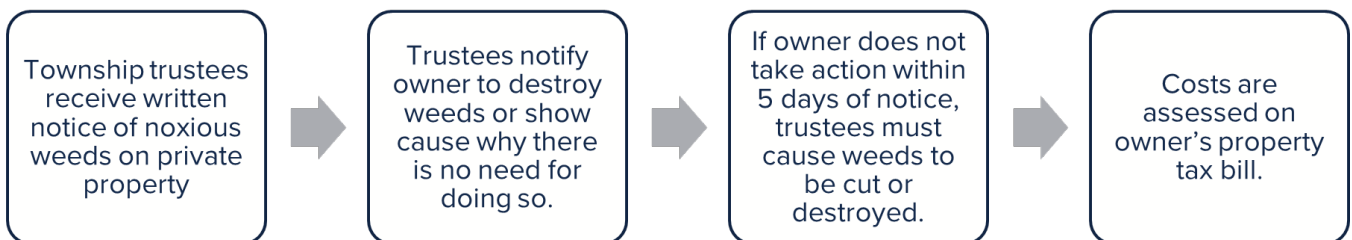
### 1. Noxious weeds along roadways and railroads Ohio Revised Code 5579.04, 5579.08 and 4959.11



**2. Noxious weeds in the fence row**  
**Ohio Revised Code 971.33 to 971.35**



**3. Noxious weeds on private land beyond the fence row**  
**Ohio Revised Code 5579.05—5579.07**



**4. Noxious weeds on ODNR or park land**  
**Ohio Revised Code 5579.06**

