

# *A Farmer/Forester's Love Story with Black Locust*

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**The DEC Lists Black Locust as  
a “invasive regulated  
species” in NYS**

What are invasive species? Invasive species means a species that is *nonnative to a particular ecosystem, and whose introduction causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health.*

From: New York State Department of Environmental Conservation “Invasive Species Regulations Questions and Answers” <http://www.dec.ny.gov/regulations/2359.html>

What is the difference between prohibited and regulated invasive species? Prohibited invasive species cannot be knowingly possessed with the intent to sell, import, purchase, transport or introduce. In addition, no person shall sell, import, purchase, transport, introduce or propagate prohibited invasive species.

*Regulated invasive species, on the other hand, are species which cannot be knowingly introduced into a free-living state, or introduced by a means that one should have known would lead to such an introduction, although such species shall be legal to possess, sell, buy, propagate and transport.*



# ***The beginning... 1988***

































