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Japanese Knotweed

Where Japanese Knotweed is identified, a specialist Japanese Knotweed report may be required.

All reports and treatment plans must be provided by professionals who are qualified members of the Property Care Association or the Non-Native Species Association. In some instances, a Japanese Knotweed Management Plan and insurance backed guarantee will be required.

The below table shows the requirements needed when Japanese Knotweed is identified:

RICS Management

Categories	Definition	Requirements
A	Japanese Knotweed was seen within the boundaries of the subject property, causing visible material damage to a significant structure*.	A specialist remediation report and quotation should be obtained from a suitably qualified member of the Property Care Association or the Invasive Non-Native Species Association. The completion of any recommended works subject to a Japanese Knotweed Management Plan, with the benefit of an insurance-backed guarantee.
B	Japanese Knotweed was seen within the boundaries of the subject property, and it is likely to prevent use of or restrict access to amenity space.	A specialist remediation report and quotation should be obtained from a suitably qualified member of the Property Care Association or the Invasive Non-Native Species Association. The completion of any recommended works must be subject to a Japanese Knotweed Management Plan, with the benefit of an insurance-backed guarantee.
C	Japanese Knotweed was seen within the boundaries of the subject property. Not causing visible material damage to a significant structure and not likely to restrict access to or use of amenity space.	A specialist report is not considered essential for mortgage lending purposes. The valuation assumes that the Knotweed will be properly managed to prevent further growth.
D	Japanese Knotweed was seen outside the boundaries of the subject property. Either within 3 metres of the subject property boundary or an unusually extensive infestation more than 3 metres from the boundary**.	A specialist report is not considered essential for mortgage lending purposes. The valuation assumes that the Knotweed will be properly managed to prevent further growth.

*If a Japanese Knotweed Report has already been completed, it should be provided for the valuer to review along quotations and details of the treatment plan. All recommended remediation must be completed as part of a Japanese Knotweed Management Plan and have the benefit of an insurance-backed guarantee.

**If the presence and extent of the Knotweed seen offsite is considered to significantly affect the saleability of the subject property, then the property may not be considered to be suitable security.