

***Rumex crispus* L. subsp. *uliginosus* (le Gall) Akeroyd Curled Dock**

Native

GB & England: Least Concern

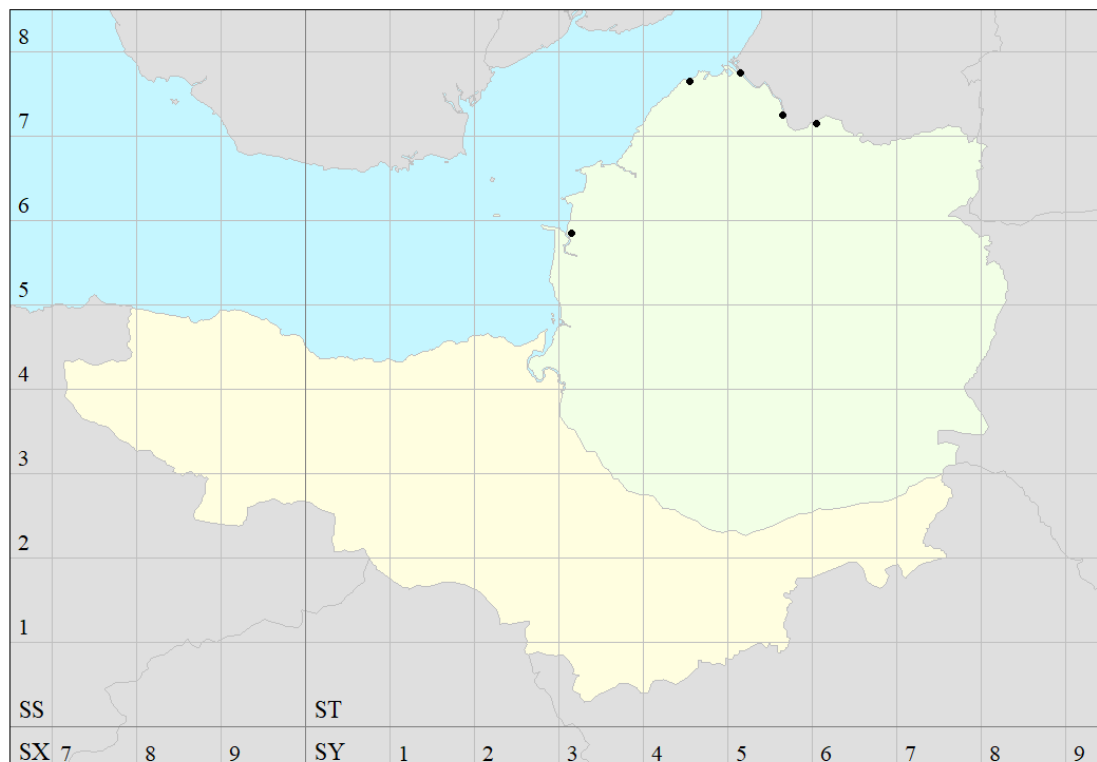
GB Scarce

VC5 Absent; VC6 Scarce

A tall erect perennial of tidal mud, usually occurring on steep unstable river banks near the upper limit of tidal influence (Akeroyd, 2014). In Somerset only known from VC6 where first recorded by Clive Lovatt in 1980 on tidal mud of the River Avon below Burwalls Wood (Willis, 1981). In 1999, Ian Green also recorded this taxon along the tidal stretch of the River Avon (Green et al., 2002). In 2012 a plant on the saltmarsh at Pill was determined as this subspecies by Clive Lovatt. Since then it has been recorded at Uphill saltmarsh in 2013 (det. Clive Lovatt); found at Portishead by Clive Lovatt and Liz McDonnell in 2014, recorded by the tidal River Avon at Totterdown in Bristol by Rupert Higgins in 2016, and refound periodically on the tidal mud of the River Avon below Burwalls Wood by Clive Lovatt. *Rumex crispus* subsp. *uliginosus* is Scarce in Britain with most recent records being for the Severn Estuary and tidal Rivers Avon and Wye. In Ireland it occurs inland along several tidal rivers, for example the River Suir in Co. Waterford (Green, 2008).

VC6

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| Pill saltmarsh | SSSI | ST5177 | 2012 | SRPG | On saltmarsh |
| Uphill saltmarsh | | ST31365834 | 2013 | SRPG | On saltmarsh |
| Portishead | SSSI | ST45787681 | 2014 | CML, EJMCD | 1 large plant on low cliffs |
| River Avon, towpath | SSSI | ST5672 | 2018 | CML | Population of tall plants in the river mud |
| Bristol, Totterdown | | ST603717 | 2016 | RJH | |



Distribution of *Rumex crispus* subsp. *uliginosus* in Somerset, mapped using MapMate