

Polygonum equisetiforme

Habitus and growth type

Plant height [m]: **0.45**

Life span: **Perennial**

Life form: **Chamaephyte**

Leaf

Specific leaf area [mm²/mg]: **11.12**

Flower

Flowering period: **May-September**

Fruit, seed and dispersal

Seed mass [mg]: **1.25**

Dispersal mode: **Local non-specific dispersal**

Dispersal distance class: **2**

Trophic mode

Parasitism and mycoheterotrophy: **autotroph**

Carnivory: **non-carnivorous**

Symbiotic nitrogen fixation: **no nitrogen-fixing symbionts**

Taxon origin

Origin in Europe: **native**

Ecology

Environmental relationships

Substrate humidity relationship: **Mesic**

Substrate reaction relationship: **Slightly acidic to near-neutral**

Nutrient relationship: **Mesotrophic**

Salinity relationship: **Saline**

Ellenberg-type indicator values

Light indicator value: **9**

Temperature indicator value: **10.5**

Moisture indicator value: **5.5**

Reaction indicator value: **7**

Nutrient indicator value: **6**

Salinity indicator value: **5**

Habitat and sociology

Syntaxon

Diagnostic species of phytosociological classes: [FD \(NER\) Nerio-Tamaricetea](#)

Broad habitat

Occurrence in broad habitats: **Coastal beach, dune or shingle, Scrub, Sparsely vegetated (incl. rock and scree)**