**Cyperus prolifer**  
**dwarf papyrus**

**Appearance:** Herbaceous, perennial. Grows in tufts or clumps; rhizomatous. Culms (stalks/stems) are 20–100 cm (8–39 in) long by 2–6 mm (0.08–0.25 in) wide; soft, glabrous.

**Leaves:** Blades reduced to sheath.

**Flowers:** Inflorescence rays from 100–250 in number, 5–16 cm (2–6 in) long; spikelets 1–30, linear, ellipsoid, reddish brown.

**Fruit:** Achenes brown, obovoid (0.4 x 0.2 mm) surfaces finely reticulate (latticed).

**Ecological threat:** FLEPPC Category II – Invasive exotics that have increased in abundance or frequency but have not yet altered Florida plant communities to the extent shown by Category I species.

**Distribution:** C, SW

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**Field Notations**

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