

Levels within the IVC hierarchy

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Class	Formation	Division	Group	Community	Sub-community
Tree Vegetation (Mesomorphic)	Forest Vegetation	Woodland	e.g. GL3 <i>Dactylis glomerata</i> – <i>Centaurea nigra</i> group (Cock's-foot – Knapweed group)	e.g. GL3A <i>Briza media</i> – <i>Thymus polytrichus</i> grassland (Quaking-grass – Wild Thyme grassland)	e.g. GL3aii <i>Briza media</i> – <i>Thymus polytrichus</i> grassland <i>Sesleria caerulea</i> – <i>Tortella tortuosa</i> sub-community (Quaking-grass – Wild Thyme grassland Blue Moor-grass – Frizzled Crisp-moss sub-community)
		Plantation Forests			
		Scrub and Wayside			
Shrub and Herb Vegetation	Inland Shrub and Herb Vegetation	Grasslands			
		Heaths			
		Bogs			
		Fens and Mires			
		Montane Communities			
		Weed Communities			
		Coastal Shrub and Herb Vegetation			
Aquatic Vegetation (Hydromorphic)	Freshwater Vegetation	Freshwater Habitats			
	Saltwater Vegetation	Saline Water Habitats			
Rock Vegetation (Cryptogamic and Open Mesomorphic)	Inland and Coastal Rock Vegetation	Rocky Habitats			