



## **CERATOPHYLLUM**

Be warned, young, deeply shaded or winter shoots of *C. demersum* L. may be quite soft and flaccid resulting in a tendency to assume such plants are the rarer *C. submersum* L. If in doubt, the leaves of *C. demersum* are forked 1-2 times and those of *C. submersum* 3-4 times.

*C. submersum* has been found in Ireland (e.g. Smith & Wolfe-Murphy 1991) and could well be under-recorded in both Britain and Ireland.

*Reference* Smith, S. J. & Wolfe-Murphy, S. A. (1991). *Irish Naturalists' Journal* **23**: 374-376.