



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!™

Prevent transport of aquatic invasive species.
Clean all recreational equipment.

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Recommended Actions - Protect Our Waters

- **REMOVE** aquatic plants, zebra mussels and any other visible species from trailer, boat and motor before leaving any water access.
- **DRAIN** water from boat's bilge, livewell, and motor and from portable bait containers by removing drain plugs and opening all water draining devices away from boat ramp. Leave drain plug out while trailering. If using live bait from infested waters, it is important to replace water in bait containers with tap or spring water.
- **DISPOSE** of unwanted minnows, leeches, and fish parts in the trash. Do not release live bait.
- **SPRAY/RINSE** recreational equipment with high pressure and/or hot water (120°F/50°C or higher) to remove mud and aquatic invasive species, **AND/OR**
- **DRY** everything at least five days before going to other waters.

Preventing the spread of aquatic invasive species is
everyone's responsibility! Do your part!

