



Help Protect the Waters of the Northeast Do Your Part to Prevent the Spread of Aquatic Nuisance Species

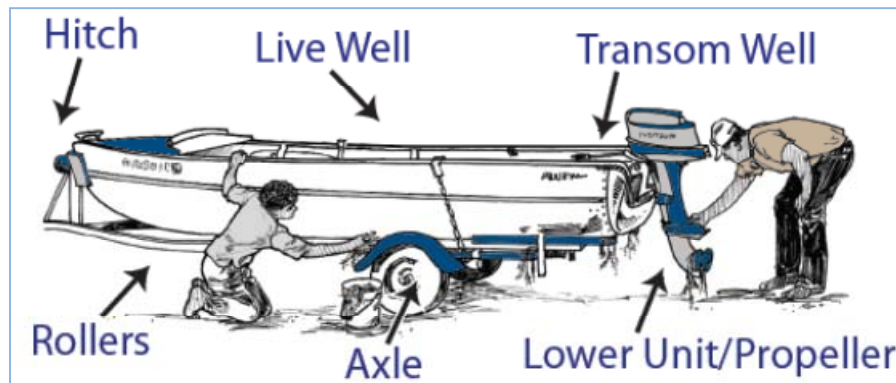
Before leaving a body of water:

- ✓ **Clean** off any mud, plants (even small fragments), and animals from boats, trailers and equipment.
- ✓ **Drain** boat and equipment away from water.
- ✓ **Dry** anything that comes into contact with water.
- ✓ **Never** leave waters with live fish, or release plants or animals into a body of water unless they came out of that body of water

To remove organisms you cannot see on your boat, waders or gear:

- ✓ **Scrub** equipment with hot soapy water.
- ✓ **Spray** boat and trailer with high pressure water and/or dry completely in the sun for 5 days.
- ✓ **Soak** clothes, waders and other absorbent items in hot soapy water for 30 minutes and/or dry completely and hold dry for at least 48 hours.

Watercraft Check Points



**To Report a New
Aquatic Nuisance Species
Sighting Call the Aquatic
Nuisance Species
Hotline:**

**877.STOP.ANS
877.786.7267**

You can also contact your state or provincial natural resources or environmental protection agency.



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