

ATTENTION

Protect our waters from invasive species.

Leave all plugs out until you reach the boat ramp.

Don't move lake water. That includes bait water!

CLEAN

All plants, animals, and
mud from the boat,
trailer, and gear.

DRAIN

All water by removing
plugs, opening valves,
and lowering motors.

DRY

Interior compartments
and bilge area with a
sponge or towel.



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WATERCRAFT INSPECTION AND DECONTAMINATION GUIDE

WHAT DOES THE INSPECTION PROCESS LOOK LIKE?

- **1-2 minute risk assessment and visual inspection**
 - › Out-of-state or in an infested water within 30 days
 - › Dirty, crusty, or slimy below the water line
 - › Standing water in the boat or ballast tanks
 - › Complex watercraft (multiple motors or compartments)
- **A more thorough (5-minute), high-risk inspection is required if:**
 - › Two or more risk factors above are observed
- **Decontamination is required if a watercraft fails an inspection due to:**
 - › Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) found on the watercraft
 - › Water cannot be completely drained

SPEED UP THE PROCESS

- Clean, Drain, and Dry after every trip on the water
- Self-inspect after each trip using the acronym **H.E.A.D.**

HULL | Examine both sides of the hull below the water line and the trailer

ENGINE | Inspect the engine, lower the lower unit to drain any water after use; zebra mussels can hide in dark areas, right angles, and rough spots

ANCHOR | Examine interior compartments, anchor, and ropes

DRY | Pull all plugs and leave them out until your next launch



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