

Pledge to Be Invasive-Free or Kiss Paradise Goodbye!

Whether you explore New Hampshire's 1,000 lakes by motorboat or paddle craft, you know a day on the lake is like a trip to paradise.

Dealing with long spindly stems of invasive milfoil wrapped around the motor or paddle can ruin your day in paradise. So, too, can the razor sharp shells of the invasive Zebra mussel cutting your feet.

Take the Pledge to Be Invasive-Free!

You can help keep our water's paradise by pledging to always take time to clean, drain, and dry your boat, trailer, and gear between waterbodies.

Take the pledge & be entered to WIN prizes!

Visit: nhlakes.org/invasivefree

NH LAKES is a member-supported nonprofit organization with a mission to help keep NH's lakes clean and healthy, now and in the future.



Helping boaters prevent the spread of invasive species is just one of the many ways we are working for clean and healthy lakes.

If you love a lake, have a question about a lake, or want to do more to help keep lakes clean and healthy, visit or contact us today!

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Invasive Species of Concern in New Hampshire

Plants



Curly-leaf
pondweed



Eurasian
watermilfoil



European
Naiad



Fanwort



Hydrilla



Variable
milfoil



Water
chestnut

Animals



Asian clam



Chinese
mystery snail



Multiple spiny water
fleas on a fishing line

Spiny
water flea



Quagga
mussel



Zebra
mussel

Help Keep New Hampshire a Boating Paradise!



**Report potential invasive species sightings to:
NH Dept. of Environmental Services at (603) 271-2248**

This information is brought to
you by the Lake Host Program



BOATERS—YOU CAN HELP PULL THE PLUG ON THE SPREAD OF AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES!

Invasive plants and animals can degrade the health of our lakes and make them dangerous to recreate in.

Invasive species are difficult and expensive to manage and almost impossible to get rid of.

BEFORE leaving any launch area:



CLEAN

Clean off all mud, plants, animals, and debris from your boat, trailer, and equipment. Clean off anchors and anchor lines, water intake grates on jet-powered craft, kayak and canoe cockpits, storage compartments, and paddles, too! Dispose of all material away from the waterbody where it won't wash back into the water.

Cleaning is the law in NH!



DRAIN

Drain motors, bilges, live wells, ballast tanks, storage compartments, and gear. Blow out water in jet-powered craft and tip paddle craft and motors to let out water. OPEN/REMOVE all drain plugs and drain all compartments and gear away from the water where runoff won't flow back into the water.

Draining & keeping all plugs out/open while trailering is the law!



DRY

Dry off anything that came in contact with the water to remove invasive species not easily seen. If launching your boat again within 5 days, thoroughly rinse with clean water away from waterbodies and towel dry—rinsing with high pressure, high temperature water is best.

See information on rinsing & boat-friendly car wash locations.

BETWEEN waterbodies:



RINSE

It is best to visit a car wash before launching into another waterbody. Rinsing can also be done at home, preferably on grass. Rinse boat hull and trailer with water. Flush motors, bilges, live wells, ballast tanks, and storage compartments with clean water per boat manufacturer instructions.

Make sure dirty rinse water does not flow back into the lake!

BOAT-FRIENDLY CAR WASH LOCATIONS

Belmont: Robert's Car Wash, 154 Daniel Wester Hwy.

Bradford (VT): Simply Clean, 945 Lower Plain

Concord: Thirty Pines Car Wash, 204 Fisherville Rd.

Contoocook: Autobath Car Wash, 76 Pine St.

Dover: White Water Car Wash, 525 Central Ave.

Hudson: Haffner's Car Wash, 215 Lowell Rd.

Keene: Key Road Car Wash, 190 Key Rd.

Laconia: Laconia Car Wash, 1123 Union Ave.

Manchester: Infinity Car Wash, 763 Second St.

Meredith: Extreme Clean, 329 Daniel Webster Hwy.

Moultonborough: Village Car Wash, 68 Whittier Hwy.

Nashua: Camps Touchfree Carwash, 487 Amherst St.

Newport: Newport Car Wash, 358 Sunapee St.

N. Conway: ConserVe Car Wash, 1455 White Mt. Hwy.

Ossipee: Top Cat Car Wash, 760 NH Rte. 16

Plymouth: Tenney Mt. Car Wash, 374 Tenney Mt. Hwy.

Winchendon (MA): Toy Town Car Wash, 47 Water St.

Wolfeboro: Wolfeboro Car Wash, 35 Center St.

Woodsville: Corey's Car Wash, 14 Forest St.

Visit www.nhlakes.org/invasivefree for an interactive map which includes hours of operations and bay sizes.