ZEBRA MUSSELS



DON'T BE A CARRIER. TAKE ACTION AND STOP THE SPREAD!

CLEAN your boat, trailer and gear by removing all plants, animals and foreign objects. Adult zebra mussels attach to any hard surface.

DRAIN all water from the boat, including the motor, bilge, livewells and bait buckets. Zebra mussels' microscopic larvae can hide in the water in your boat.

DRY the boat and trailer for a week or more. If unable to dry it that long, wash it with hot (140-degree), high-pressure, soapy water.

TT'S THE LAW. Boaters are REQUIRED to drain all water from their vessel, including live wells, bilges, motors, and any other receptacles or water intake systems before leaving or approaching public waters. This applies to ALL types and sizes of boats.

Possession or transportation of zebra mussels is illegal - The first offense is a class C misdemeanor, punishable with a fine of up to \$500. A second offense is a Class B misdemeanor, punishable with a fine up to \$2,000, a jail sentence of up to 180 days or both.



Zebra mussels hurt aquatic life, damage boats – even affect your water supply. Already in several North and Central Texas lakes, they could spread

throughout the state on boats and trailers like yours.





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