



The Four things You Can Do to Stop the Spread of Zebra Mussels* & Other Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS)

Zebra mussels, and other AIS, pose a real threat to our pristine northern waterways. Please do your part and follow these **four simple steps**:

1. When You Leave the Water

- **CLEAN** - weeds, algae, animals and mud from your trailer, watercraft**, engine and gear.
- **DRAIN** - all water from your watercraft, motor(s) and live wells. Leave plugs out for travel.
- **DRY** – watercraft, ropes and gear before entering another waterbody.



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2. PULL YOUR PLUG(s)

- Transport your watercraft with the plug(s) out – this is the law!

3. DECONTAMINATE – IF NECESSARY

- When your watercraft has been in zebra mussel or AIS invaded waters (e.g. Lake Winnipeg, Lake Manitoba, Nelson River, Footprint Lake, Cedar Lake) or within a “Control Zone”, you must have your watercraft **decontaminated** - provincial legislation is in effect.
- Decontamination is available at government watercraft inspection stations – **free of charge**.
- To learn more about control zones and hours of operation of watercraft inspection stations visit: Manitoba.ca/StopAIS or check out our website below

4. TELL OTHERS – SPREAD THE WORD!

- The spread **can** be stopped with your help

This notice is provided by *Citizens for Protecting Our Northern Waterways Inc.* www.zebramusselprevention.com



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***a watercraft includes boats, canoes, kayaks, paddle boards and personal watercraft*

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