

# Stop the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species

## Zebra Mussels and Quagga Mussels



Water-based recreation like angling, boating and diving can spread unwelcome aquatic invaders to new areas.

Plants, animals, and microscopic creatures cling to clothing, equipment and boats. If not cleaned, these pests will be introduced into new areas, and will rapidly take over.



Didymo aka 'Rock Snot'



Eurasian Milfoil

# YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Inspect, Clean, Drain and Dry  
your boat and all equipment

“Annually the problem is responsible for billions of dollars in lost revenue and control measures.”

- Fisheries and Oceans Canada



- CLEAN off any visible debris from all equipment that enters the water
- DRAIN all water from your bilge, ballast, live well and bait buckets onto dry land
- DRY all equipment for 5 days in the sun
- NEVER transport live fish (it's illegal)
- NEVER empty aquarium contents into the wild

For more information go to:

[www.oasiss.ca](http://www.oasiss.ca)

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