

STOP AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Notice

**Putting away your watercraft and water-related equipment for the season?
You may need a Transportation Authorization.**

If removing watercraft or water-related equipment from zebra mussel invaded water bodies, you may need a Transportation Authorization. A Transportation Authorization will allow you to transport watercraft or water-related equipment legally that may have AIS, such as zebra mussels on it.

When removing watercraft, trailers or other water-related equipment from Manitoba water bodies and **before** transporting them away from the shore, you must:

- inspect and remove AIS and aquatic plants (e.g., weeds)
- drain all water from the motor, live wells, compartments, bait buckets, etc.
- remove and leave drain plugs open when transporting watercraft overland

It may not be possible to remove all the zebra mussels from moored watercraft before leaving the shore at the end of the season. In this situation, you must get a Transportation Authorization, **before** you can legally transport watercraft and water-related equipment from the water body to another location to be decontaminated.

**To request a Transportation Authorization, email AIS@gov.mb.ca
or call 1-87-STOP AIS-0 (1-877-867-2470).**

Please be prepared to provide the following information:

1. Your name, mailing address, phone number and email address.
2. Watercraft details including the type (e.g., sailboat, JetSki®), the manufacturer, model, length, engine type and watercraft registration number.
3. Water-related equipment details such as type(s) and quantity (e.g., three buoys, one anchor)
4. Current location of watercraft or equipment -- water body and harbour (if relevant).
5. Decontamination location including street address, city, province/state, postal or area code.
6. Date the watercraft or water-related equipment is being transported.
7. If someone else, or an agency is making a request on your behalf to transport watercraft or water-related equipment, that person must provide his/her name, or the name of the agency, mailing address, phone, email address.

For more information, visit: Manitoba.ca/StopAIS

Thank you for your co-operation and help in preventing the spread of zebra mussels.