A fishing trip may last a day, but **zebra mussels can live in a lake forever.**

Do your part to protect Minnesota’s waters by following the state aquatic invasive species laws

**You must...**
- **Clean** visible aquatic plants, zebra mussels and other prohibited species from watercraft, trailers, and equipment before transporting from any water access.
- **Drain** water from bilge, livewell, motor, ballast tanks, and portable bait containers before leaving water accesses or shoreline property.
- **Keep** drain plug out and water-draining devices open while transporting watercraft.

**You may not...**
- **Transport** aquatic plants, water, or prohibited invasive species such as zebra mussels or Eurasian watermilfoil.
- **Dump** live bait into state waters, on shore, or on the ground.
- **Launch**, or attempt to place, watercraft, trailers or equipment with aquatic plants, zebra mussels, or prohibited invasive species into any state waters.

**Additional recommended precautions, not required by law ...**
- **Spraying** with high-pressure water, **rinsing** with very hot water, and/or **drying** boats and water-related equipment for at least five days is advised to remove or kill hard-to-see aquatic invasive species before moving to other water bodies. **Dispose** of unwanted bait in trash.

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