Non-Motorized Watercraft Decontamination Guidance

Non-motorized watercraft includes kayaks, paddle-craft, inflatable’s, non-motorized sailboats, float tubes, rafts, and canoes etc.

You can prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species using this checklist every time you exit a waterbody:

- **CLEAN**
  Inspect and clean off any visible plants, animals and mud from watercraft, gear, paddles, floats, ropes, anchors, dip nets and trailer before leaving water access.

- **DRAIN**
  Pull the plug and drain all water from watercraft, sponges, bailers and any water containing devices.

- **DRY**
  Dry all areas for a minimum of 7 days in the middle of summer if coming from an infested body of water. Drying times during the winter can be longer.
  Always wipe all areas down with a towel before storing or reuse.
  **OR** have your vessel professionally decontaminated.
  Completely dry inflatables and other recreational watercraft before storing.
  You can calculate your dry time based on location and time of year using the following link:
  
  [https://www.westernails.org/moving-a-boat](https://www.westernails.org/moving-a-boat)

  - Dispose of debris and live bait in trash.

IT IS A VIOLATION OF NEVADA STATE LAW TO TRANSPORT MANY AIS SPECIES INCLUDING QUAGGA AND ZEBRA MUSSELS (NRS 501.105, 501.181 & 503.597). IT IS ALSO A VIOLATION OF NEVADA STATE LAW TO LEAVE AN AIS IMPAIRED BODY OF WATER AND LAUNCH INTO ANOTHER BODY OF WATER WITHOUT FIRST DECONTAMINATING YOUR VESSEL AND CONVEYANCES.

What can you do to help prevent the spread or introduction of AIS?

- **EVERYTIME & EVERYWHERE - CLEAN, DRAIN AND DRY**
- **NEVER DUMP LIVE FISH OR OTHER ORGANISMS INTO A BODY OF WATER UNLESS IT CAME FROM THAT WATERBODY**
- **NEVER DUMP AQUARIUM PLANTS AND ANIMALS**