

## Five Blue Fish Sustainable Boating Tips to Avoid Transporting Invasive Species

- 1. Clean your boat and gear before leaving the water by removing mud, vegetation, mussels, or anything suspicious from your boat, motor, trailer or fishing equipment.
- 2. Drain before you leave the launch all water from your boat by pulling the plug on your transom and live-wells.
- 3. Dry your boat for 2-7 days in sunlight or clean your boat from top to bottom with hot water over 50°C or pressurized water over 250 psi before traveling to a new waterbody.
- **4. Avoid** running the engine through invasive aquatic plants to prevent cutting or pulling loose plants and increasing their likelihood of spreading.
- 5. Never possess, transport or release a prohibited invasive species.