

AIS Prevention Step Prompts to Assist Inspector

If boaters are not familiar with the prevention steps or have questions, help them understand the reasons for taking these actions. You can use the prompts below to assist you in your explanation and discussions at the boat landing. **Remember the goal is to make this as relevant as possible to the boater by localizing the issue through the conversation.**

Steps 1 & 2 – INSPECT AND REMOVE



Why this is important:
 Plants and animals can easily attach to boat/equipment or become entangled in boat motors and fishing lines and then be moved to another lake. This is a concern in this area because- **(ADD LOCAL CONCERNS HERE)**

Step 3 – DRAIN BOAT AND EQUIPMENT



Why this is important:
 Many organisms such as spiny water flea, juvenile zebra mussels, or plant fragments (use organisms that are of concern in your area) are microscopic and invisible to the naked eye and easily transported in water from one waterbody to the next. We know that many of the boaters that frequent our lake also spend time at- **(ADD LOCAL CONCERNS HERE)**

For Live Bait specific questions -
 If bait comes in contact with water that contains AIS, the bait or water within the container can carry AIS and might be transported to another waterbody.

Step 4 – DRAIN LIVEWELLS & CONTAINERS HOLDING CATCH



LIVE BAIT MESSAGE



Types of Live Bait:



TRASH

