Regulated Aquatic Invasive Plants in WI

Please report any **prohibited** species (as indicated by the red frame box) to the WDNR.
Report by email to: Invasive.Species@wi.gov or **by phone at: (608) 266-6437**
OR to find out more information, for information on reporting restricted species and whom to contact go to:
http://dnr.wi.gov/invasives/aquatic/whattodo/

Flowering rush
(Butomus umbellatus)

Purple loosestrife
(Lythrum salicaria)

Curly-leaf pondweed
(Potamogeton crispus)

Eurasian water milfoil
(Myriophyllum spicatum)

Australian swamp stonecrop *(Crassula helmsii)*

Brazilian waterweed
(Egeria densa)

Hydrilla
(Hydrilla verticillata)

European frog-bit
(Hydrocharis morsus-ranae)

African elodea
(Lagarosiphon major)

Parrot feather
(Myriophyllum aquaticum)

Brittle waternymph
(Najas minor)

Yellow floating heart
(Nymphoides peltata)

Water chestnut
(Trapa natans)

Fanwort
(Cabomba caroliniana)

Didymo or rock snot (alga)
(Didymosphenia geminata)

Starry stonewort (alga)
(Nitellopsis obtusa)

Restricted Species Prohibited Species

For more information about NR 40 (WI's Invasive Species Rule), Restricted, or Prohibited species please visit: www.dnr.wi.gov/invasives/classification

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PREVENT THE SPREAD OF INVASIVE SPECIES IT'S THE LAW

PENALTIES MAY EXCEED $2000

Before *launching* and before *leaving* YOU MUST:

- ✓ **INSPECT** boats, trailers, and equipment.
- ✓ **REMOVE** all attached aquatic plants and animals.
- ✓ **DRAIN** all water from boats, vehicles, and equipment.
- ✓ **NEVER MOVE** plants or live fish away from a waterbody.*

STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

Prevent the spread of invasive species, it's the law

*Limited exceptions apply. Visit **WWW.DNR.WI.GOV** and search for "**BAIT LAWS**."

CHAPTER NR 40:
INVASIVE SPECIES IDENTIFICATION CLASSIFICATION AND CONTROL
BOATER & ANGLER SUMMARY

The Invasive Species Rule (Chapter NR 40) went into effect on September 1, 2009. The rule establishes a comprehensive, science-based way to classify and regulate invasive species in Wisconsin. The rule divides species into 2 categories, "Prohibited" and "Restricted," with different regulations and control requirements. The rule also establishes "Preventative Measures" to show what actions we can take to slow the spread of invasive species. The preventative measures of NR 40, along with the measures required by Act 55, the "No Transport Law" may require changes in boater and angler actions.

← Following the *Prevent the Spread* guidelines on the left is a great start to following these laws. Additional information and requirements for the Invasive Species Rule are listed below.

Prohibited Invasive Species

- These species are not yet in the state or only in a few places
- These species are likely to cause environmental and/or economic harm
- It is still possible to eradicate these species and prevent their spread statewide

Regulations: **Cannot transport, possess, transfer, or introduce without a permit***
Control Authority: Control is required. DNR may order or conduct a control effort

Restricted Invasive Species

- These species are already widely established in the state
- High environmental and/or economic impacts are evident with these species
- Complete eradication of these species is unlikely

Regulations: **Cannot transport, transfer, or introduce without a permit***
Possession is allowed except for fish or crayfish
Control Authority: Control is encouraged but not required
*Any viable part of the species is covered by these regulations.

Preventative Measures

- Drainage of water from boats and removal of aquatic plants and animals from equipment is required before entering onto a road or coming into the state
- The introduction of non-native aquatic plants prohibited
- The transport of live fish and eggs are prohibited
- You may not use prohibited fish or crayfish as bait

For more information, please visit: **www.dnr.wi.gov/invasives/classification**

Or contact the WDNR Invasive Species Project Coordinator at:
Email: Invasive.Species@wi.gov **or** **Phone:** (608) 266-6437