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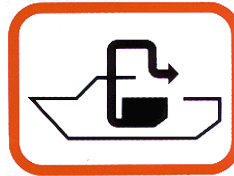
- **Sewage contains nutrients** (think of how manure is often used as a fertilizer). These nutrients, if added to a waterbody, can be used by aquatic plants and algae to reproduce.
- **Microorganisms are present in the digestive tracts of all warm-blooded animals**, including humans. Some of these organisms can transmit diseases to people who come in contact with contaminated waters.



- **Some chemicals found in boat holding tanks are toxic to aquatic life.** Chlorine and formaldehyde can pose a threat to fish, insects and other organisms.
- Sewage and other organic matter are broken up in the water by bacteria. **Bacteria use the oxygen that lake organisms need to survive.** This results in suffocation of fish and other aquatic animals.
- **Boats often congregate in shallow, sheltered areas that are not well-circulated by currents and wind.** Any pollution released into the water in these areas remains there, resulting in a concentration of microorganisms, toxic chemicals and nutrients.

CONTACT US

For more information about New Hampshire's Clean Vessel Act Program, visit the NHDES' Boat Pumpouts website at: <https://www.des.nh.gov/>. Or contact the program coordinator at CVA@des.nh.gov.



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THE SOLUTION... PUBLIC PUMPOUT FACILITIES

Is your boat in compliance?

If your boat does not have a toilet, sink or shower, it does not need a holding tank. You can operate your boat on any waterbody. Please be sure to use public restrooms.

Portable toilets: Empty the portable toilet upon return to shore. Use a portable toilet dump station (available at several marinas).

Boats with a holding tank cannot contain a flow-through device (known to many as a “Y-valve”). In the freshwaters of the state, boats cannot be constructed and operated so as to discharge any sewage or greywater overboard (RSA 487).

To ensure your boat is in compliance with state laws, take the following steps:



Flush the toilets and run water in sinks and showers, while a friend watches outside the boat to see if any water drains to the lake.

Check all your plumbing Y-valves to ensure they are disconnected.

Have a marine professional check the boat plumbing to ensure all wastewater is routed to the holding tank.

See Fact Sheet WD-BB-38 for more information or contact the Clean Vessel Act Program coordinator at CVA@des.nh.gov or (603) 271-8803.

Always call ahead to verify pumpout availability!

(Pumpout Directory information for Lakes Region only)

Waterbody	Marina Name	Town	Phone Number
<i>Lake Winnepesaukee</i>			
Roberts Cove	Robert's Cove Basin	Alton	(603) 569-6040
Smalls Cove	West Alton Marina	Alton	(603) 875-7788
Smith Cove	Fay's Boat Yard	Gilford	(603) 293-8000
Saunders Bay	Mountain View Yacht Club	Gilford	(603) 293-0059
Paugus Bay	Lakeport Landing	Laconia	(603) 524-3755
Paugus Bay	Paugus Bay Marina	Laconia	(603) 524-1233
Paugus Bay	Winnisquam Marine	Laconia	(603) 366-4801
Meredith Bay	Meredith Marina	Meredith	(603) 279-7921
Meredith Bay	Meredith Town Docks	Meredith	(603) 279-4538
Near Bear Island	Shep Brown's Boat Basin	Meredith	(603) 279-4573
Wolfboro Bay	Goodhue & Hawkins Navy Yard	Wolfboro	(603) 569-2371
Wolfboro Bay	Wolfboro Corinthian Yacht Club	Wolfboro	(603) 569-1234
<i>Lake Winnisquam</i>	Winnisquam Marine	Belmont	(603) 524-8380
<i>Lake Sunapee</i>	Sunapee Harbor (dump station only)	Sunapee	

For the most up-to-date inland and coastal pumpout information visit the NHDES Clean Vessel Act program - [Boat Pumpouts website](#).

Facilities with pumpouts not listed here or listed with incorrect/missing information should contact the Clean Vessel Act Program coordinator at CVA@des.nh.gov or (603) 271-8803.

