

# Have you seen...

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## ZEBRA MUSSEL

*Dreissena polymorpha*

- ▶ Fingernail sized (0.5 cm).
- ▶ Dark and light banding pattern on shells.
- ▶ Attach to boats, equipment, vegetation, and other organisms.

## QUAGGA MUSSEL

*Dreissena bugensis*

- ▶ About 20 mm (0.8 in) wide.
- ▶ Shell is paler toward the end of the hinge.
- ▶ Attach to boats, equipment, vegetation, and other organisms.



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## DIDYMO / ROCK SNOT

*Didymosphenia geminate*

- ▶ Brown, yellow, or white.
- ▶ Feels like rough wool.
- ▶ Grows in clumps and ropes, smothering rocks and vegetation in the stream bottom.

**Report** Zebra or Quagga mussel sightings to:

1-800-661-0408, ext. 5721 [fisheries@yukon.ca](mailto:fisheries@yukon.ca) [iNaturalist.ca](http://iNaturalist.ca)

For more information: [yukoninvasives.com](http://yukoninvasives.com)

# What Are Aquatic Invasive Species?

Aquatic invasive species threaten Canada's water bodies and the wildlife that rely on them. They spread alarmingly fast and can impact the environment and economy, and damage the recreational areas that we enjoy.

Water-based recreational activities can spread aquatic invasive species to new locations. You can protect our lakes and rivers from aquatic invasive species by ensuring you **CLEAN, DRAIN** and **DRY** your watercraft and gear.



Practice

## **CLEAN DRAIN DRY**

to protect our lakes and rivers from the spread of aquatic invasive species.

### **CLEAN**

**plants, animals and mud from your boat and gear**

- ▶ Ensure that anything you remove is disposed of onto land
- ▶ Do a visual inspection of the watercraft and gear to make sure everything is removed



### **DRAIN**

**all water from your boat and gear onto land**

- ▶ This includes all internal compartments, ballast tanks, live wells, bilges, bait buckets, motors etc.
- ▶ Pull all plugs



### **DRY**

**all parts of your boat and gear completely**

- ▶ Make sure no water is left standing
- ▶ Use a sponge or towel for hard to dry areas



Freezing of your gear such as wading boots has been proven to be effective.

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