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ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT

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**DIRECTOR'S ORDER 3 – AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES  
MANDATORY CONDITIONS ON THE MOVEMENT OF WATERCRAFT, VEHICLES,  
CONVEYANCES, OR OTHER EQUIPMENT FROM LISTED WATERS  
WHERE AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES ARE PRESENT  
EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2010**

Effective March 1, 2010 the Arizona Game and Fish Department, under the authority of A.R.S. § 17-255.01(B), establishes mandatory conditions for movement of watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment necessary to abate, eradicate, or prevent the spread of quagga mussels or zebra mussels within or from those waters or locations listed in Arizona Game and Fish Department - Director's Order 2.

<b>Mandatory Conditions and Protocols for Movement from Listed Waters/Locations</b>	
<b>Day Use</b>	<p>The following protocols shall be taken for watercraft, boats, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment that have been in or on waters for <u>5 days or less</u>:</p> <p><b><u>Before leaving the vicinity of the waterbody:</u></b></p> <p><b>Remove any clinging material</b> such as plants, animals and mud from anchor, boat, motor, and trailer.</p> <p><b>Remove the plug</b> (when so equipped) <b>and drain the water</b> from the bilge, live-well and any other compartments that may hold water.</p> <p><b>Drain water</b> from engine, engine compartments, and engine cooling systems.</p> <p>Allow watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment to dry completely.</p> <p><b>If using watercraft again in less than five days at another waterbody</b>, replace bilge drain plug and disinfect the bilge by pouring not less than one gallon of vinegar into the bilge.</p>
<b>Long Term Use</b>	<p>The following protocols shall be taken for any watercraft, boats, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment that have been in or on waters for <u>more than 5 days</u>:</p> <p><b><u>Before leaving the vicinity of the waterbody (unless otherwise authorized by the State):</u></b></p> <p><b>Remove any clinging material</b> such as plants, animals and mud from anchor, boat, motor, equipment and trailer.</p> <p><b>Remove the plug</b> (when so equipped) <b>and drain the water</b> from the bilge, live-well, and any other compartments that may hold water.</p> <p><b>Drain water</b> from engine, engine compartments, and engine cooling systems.</p> <p><b>Remove all attached mussels</b> from boat surfaces, motors, impellers, outdrives, rudders, anchor(s) and through hull fittings.</p>

**Keep the watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment out of water and completely dry, including bilge, through hull fittings and engine for a minimum of eighteen (18) consecutive days during the months of November through April and seven (7) consecutive days during the months of May through October.**

**Where watercraft decontamination facilities exist, flush the engine, cooling systems, and any other through hull fittings for ten to thirty seconds with hot water exiting those areas at a 140°F to kill any hidden adult invasive mussels.**

A.R.S. 17-255.01(C)(1); Watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment are subject to inspection upon entry into this state, during overland transport within this state, or upon departure from any water or location listed in Arizona Game and Fish Department - Director's Order 2, 16 A.A.R. (to be completed by the *Register Editor*), March 26, 2010.

A.R.S. 17-255.01(C)(3); A person departing from any water or location listed in Director's Order 2 may be required to decontaminate watercraft, vehicles, conveyances, or other equipment in the manner required by this Order.

A.R.S. 17-255.02 (1); A person shall not possess, import, ship, or transport into or within the State of Arizona Aquatic Invasive Species listed under Arizona Game and Fish Department – Director's Order 1, 16 A.A.R. to be completed by the *Register Editor*), March 26, 2010.

A.R.S. 17-255.02 (2); A person shall not release, place or plant an aquatic invasive species identified in Arizona Game and Fish Department – Director's Order 1 into waters of this state or into any water treatment facility, water supply or water transportation facility, device or mechanism.

A.R.S. 17-255.02 (3); A person shall not place in any waters of this state any equipment, watercraft, vessel, vehicle or conveyance that has been in any water or location listed in Arizona Game and Fish Department- Director's Order 2, without being first decontaminated in the manner required by this Order.

A. R. S. 17-255.02(4); A person shall not sell, purchase, barter or exchange an aquatic invasive species.

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