

# BOATERS WE NEED YOU!

Join the fight against pollution and help keep our rivers and lakes fit for people and for wildlife.

## HERE ARE THREE MAIN THINGS TO REMEMBER:

### STOP SPILLS AND MANAGE ACCIDENTS

One litre of oil can pollute one million litres of water! Take care to prevent spills, and manage any accidents by using a spill kit to absorb the oil or fuel and dispose of them in hazardous waste bins at a marina/harbour or at a recycling centre.

Your nearest spill kit is at: .....

Your nearest hazardous waste bin is at: .....

**SEWAGE DISCHARGE** is prohibited by law on inland waterways in the UK and raw sewage discharge is a serious public health risk. But its easily solved, just remember: **Pump Out Don't Dump Out!**

Your nearest pump out stations are at: .....

**CHECK CLEAN AND DRY** to prevent the spread of Invasive Non Native Species (INNS). Invasive species can quickly invade an area and are then very hard to remove, disrupting the ecosystem and causing chaos for native and local wildlife.



Your equipment and clothing for live organisms – particularly in areas that are damp or hard to inspect.

And wash all equipment, footwear and clothing thoroughly. If you do come across any organisms, leave them at the water body where you found them.

All equipment and clothing – some species can live for many days in moist conditions. Make sure you don't transfer water elsewhere.

Of course the usual countryside code applies too, such as taking your rubbish home, respecting local communities and following advice and local signs.

### REMEMBER

It's important to know about Carbon Monoxide poisoning and how to prevent it. Learn how to keep you and your family safe here: [www.lakedistrictfoundation.org/carbon-monoxide](http://www.lakedistrictfoundation.org/carbon-monoxide)



### TOP TIP

Never use a detergent to deal with spills – it will break up and only disperse the fuel or oil, causing more damage to the environment

### TOP TIP

Encourage your marina, boatyard or harbour to install a pump out facility for boaters to use.

### TOP TIP

It's not just boats that can carry unwanted invasive, anyone using the water such as SUPers and wild swimmers – we all need to check, clean and dry our kit.



FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: [www.lakedistrictfoundation.org/greener-boating-lake-district](http://www.lakedistrictfoundation.org/greener-boating-lake-district)



**SCAN THIS QR CODE**  
on your smart phone to find out more and to donate to local water quality projects