

Green Boating!



We all enjoy Canada's lakes, rivers and coastal waters and as boaters, we have a vested interest to ensure that we do our part to protect this priceless heritage.

As we learn more about the sensitivity of our waters and the long-term damage caused by the pollutants we discharge, we see the wisdom in not dumping sewage "over the side".

As a boater, you can play your part to ensure your continued enjoyment of the waterways you use and value:

- Learn about available Marine Sanitation Devices (MSD) and if it's appropriate, upgrade your system
- Encourage your marina or yacht club to install a pumpout service
- Respect areas of special sensitivity! Do not discharge any sewage, grey water or bilge near recreational areas, estuaries, wetlands, bird rookeries, marine mammal habitats or aquaculture sites
- Read the labels of the products you use on the water before you buy them. If they contain toxic chemicals, look for biological alternatives
- Even if it is not currently prohibited, don't pump sewage overboard!

Disposing any harmful or "deleterious" substance into Canada's aquatic environment is an offence, as is not reporting any spill to the Canadian Coast Guard.

Please use Channel 16, VHF Marine radio or call the following toll-free numbers to report any spills or other pollutants:

In the Maritime Provinces (NB, NS, PEI)	1-800-565-1633
In Newfoundland and Labrador	1-800-563-2444
In Quebec	1-800-363-4735
In British Columbia and the Yukon	1-800-889-8852
All other areas in Canada	1-800-265-0237

Even if you do have an onboard holding tank, you should still be concerned about the environmental effects from chemical treatment products

Biological treatments are designed to nourish the naturally occurring bacteria and stimulate them to work faster. They are also becoming as economical and as readily available as their chemical counterparts.

Products certified under Environment Canada's Eco-Labeling program are awarded the Eco-Logo.

This symbol means that your treatment product causes less stress on the environment, is non-toxic and is acceptable at any pumpout facility. Look for it when you are purchasing treatment products.



Some product names to look for include:

ACTIZYME - RV and Marine Tank Treatment	Nature's Mate Distribution 888.489.8003
Aqua Zyme	Thetford Sanitation 800.521.3032
Biologic	Scicorp Systems Inc. 705.733.2626
Blue Lagoon	Chemcorp Industries Inc. 888.729.6478
EcoEthic Holding Tank Treatment	EcoEthic Inc. 888.436.3996
SEPTA-FLUSH	Telamode 800.263.2951
Tela-BLAST	Telamode 800.263.2951
Zymo P & Zymo L (Powder & Liquid)	Leading Chemical 877.883.8226

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For more information please contact
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 (866) 36-GREEN (47336) or
 Environment Canada
 (902) 426-9358 or (902) 426-4480.
 Or visit www.campgreencanada.ca



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Help make the aquatic environment pleasant for YOU and others!

Did you know...

...dumping sewage overboard depletes the amount of available oxygen in water, which makes it harder for fish to breath, encourages harmful algae blooms and decreases your recreational enjoyment?

... using toxic chemicals in your holding tank to minimize odour and aid in decomposition is actually counter productive?

...no matter where you go boating, disposing of sewage at a pumpout facility is a good choice, both for the environment and for your health?

Taking charge of sewage!

For those of us with functioning on-board sewage handling systems, our primary concern will always be the smell. Adding certain odour treatments can actually do more harm than good!

When products containing chemicals such as formaldehyde or ammonia* are added to tanks, several things happen at once.

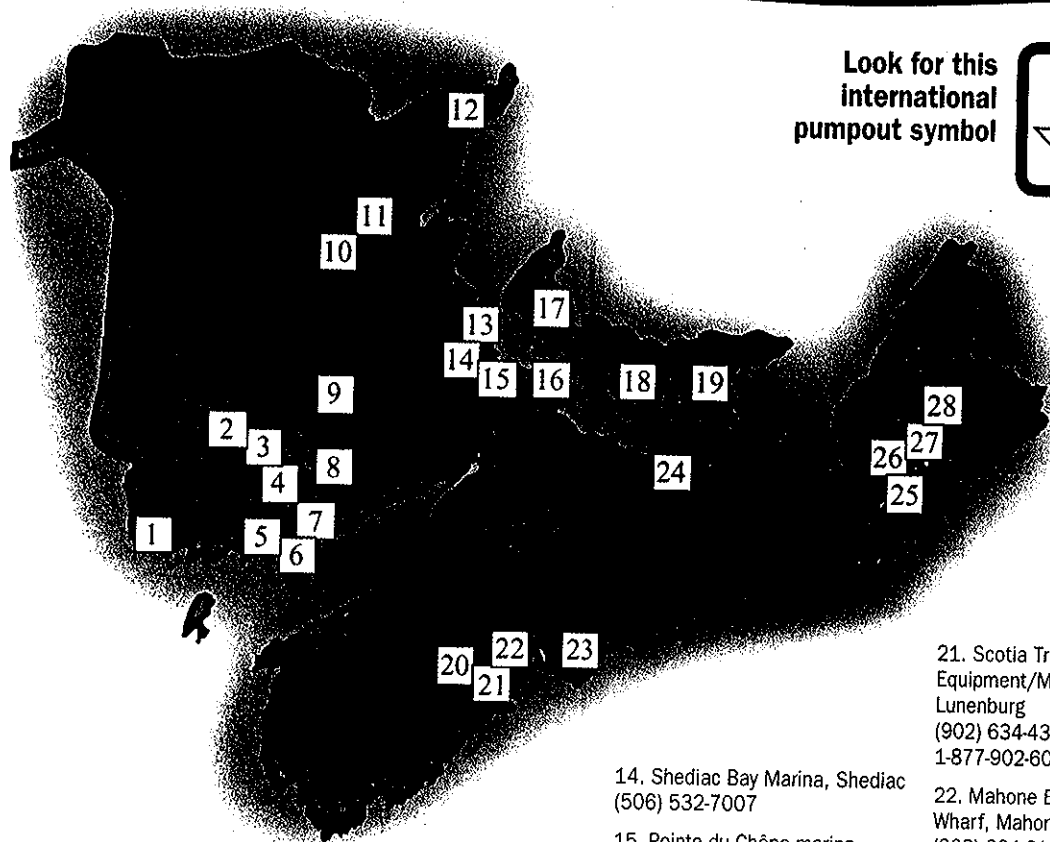
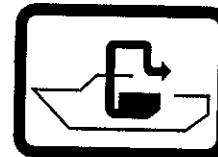
The toxic chemicals kill many of the working bacteria, which slows the decomposition process.

Results: We still have non-decomposed wastes to dispose of, but now we have harmful chemicals as well... and our odour problem was only temporarily solved!

* Formaldehyde and ammonia in water have been declared toxic by Environment Canada and Health Canada, under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act.

Look for these marinas with pumpout facilities when boating in the Maritimes!

Look for this international pumpout symbol



New Brunswick

1. St. Andrews Market Wharf, St. Andrews (506) 529-5170
2. Mactaquac Provincial Park Marina (506) 363-4747
3. Oromocto Boat Club, Oromocto (506) 459-5255
4. Gagetown Marina, Gagetown (506) 488-1992
5. Saint John Marina, Ltd., Ketepec (506) 738-8484
6. Millidgeville Marina, Saint John (506) 632-0186
7. Rothesay Yacht Club, Rothesay (506) 642-7065

8. Belleisle Bay Marina, Hampton (506) 832-7373
9. Chipman Marina, Chipman (506) 339-6601
10. Miramichi Boat and Yacht Club, Miramichi (506) 773-9949
11. Station Wharf Marina, Miramichi (506) 778-9198
12. Camping Marina, Bas Caraquet (506) 726-8900
13. Sawmill Point Boat Basin Marina, Bouctouche (506) 743-1100

14. Shediac Bay Marina, Shediac (506) 532-7007
15. Pointe du Chêne marina, Shediac (506) 532-6800
16. Cocagne Cape Port Authority Marina, Cocagne (506) 576-9256

Prince Edward Island

17. Quarter Master Marine, Charlottetown (902) 566-4454
18. Silver Fox Yacht Club, Summerside (902) 436-2153
19. Cardigan City Wharf, Cardigan (902) 583-2198

Nova Scotia - Mainland

20. Bridgewater Marine Terminal, Bridgewater (902) 624-9888

21. Scotia Trawler Equipment/Marina Lunenburg (902) 634-4331 1-877-902-6070

22. Mahone Bay Government Wharf, Mahone Bay (902) 624-6151

23. Dartmouth Yacht Club, Dartmouth (902) 468-6050

24. Hector Quay Marine, Pictou (902) 485-6960

Nova Scotia - Cape Breton Island

25. St. Peter's Lions Marina, St. Peter's (902) 535-2729

26. Dundee Marine, West Bay, Dundee (902) 345-0555

27. Barra Straight Marina, Grand Narrows (902) 622-1313

28. Baddeck Marine, Baddeck (902) 295-2434