



Tips for a Cleaner Boating Environment

How we take care of our boats and personal watercrafts greatly influences the health of the Shiawassee River. You can do your part to prevent pollution by following these simple steps:



Use onshore restrooms and shore side facilities when in docks.



If your boat has a toilet, make sure your equipment is U.S. Coast Guard certified.



Empty portable toilets **only** at pump-out stations or at home.



Take dogs to the marina's posted pet walk area (and always use a pooper scooper).



Keep boat and car engines properly tuned for efficient fuel consumption and clean exhaust. Routinely check for and fix oil and fuel leaks.



When cleaning your boat, look for non-toxic and phosphate-free cleansers.



Bring back what you take out. Empty all trash bags on shore in garbage cans or take them home.

For more information on keeping the Clinton River clean, call or email the National Clean Boating Campaign (NCBC) at: 877-892-0011; ncbc@cleanboating.org.