# **Tournament/Derby Boater "Clean-Boat" Certification Record**

All operators of boats participating in a fishing tournament/derby conducted on CT waters determined to be susceptible to invasion by zebra mussels must certify that their boat:

- 1) Has not been operated in a water body known to contain zebra or quagga mussels in the 15 days prior to this fishing tournament/derby (*see list* on page 2),
  - or
- 2) Has been properly cleaned/decontaminated (see protocols on page 2).

# Failure to do so can result in revocation of the permit for this tournament/derby and negatively affect future permitting.

Tournament sponsor/organization:		Permit No.:
Tournament/derby date:	water body:	
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# TOURNAMENT/DERBY ZEBRA MUSSEL PROTOCOLS

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1. Not been operated in a water body known to contain zebra or quagga mussels in the 15 days prior to this fishing tournament/derby,

The following Northeast waters are known to contain zebra mussels (as of February, 2011):

CONNECTICUT	NEW YORK	MASSACHUSETTS
East/West Twin Lakes	Ballston Lake	Laurel Lake
Lake Lillinonah	Lake Champlain	Upper Housatonic River
Lake Zoar	Hudson River	
	Lake George	OTHER WATER BODIES
VERMONT	Mohawk River	Susquehanna River
Lake Bomoseen	Saratoga Lake	The Great Lakes
Lake Champlain	Saint Lawrence River	or any other water body known
Lake Hortonia	The Finger Lakes	to contain zebra mussels.

#### OR

2) The boat has been properly cleaned/decontaminated. You have taken the following steps:

#### CLEANED

- ✓ Inspected all areas of your boats, trailer and vehicle used to trailer your boat.
- ✓ Removed all plants, plant fragments, mud, fish or animals.

#### DRAINED

 Eliminated water from boat and all equipment, including motors, jet drives, bilges, live wells and storage compartments.

#### **DRIED or WASHED**

✓ Dried anything that came in contact with the water (boats, trailers, trailering vehicle) for at least 5 days.

or

- ✓ If you did not dry your boat and equipment for at least 5 days before entering new waters, you must have thoroughly decomtaminated them. The boat (including bilge area, livewells and engine cooling system), trailer and equipment washed with one or a combination of the following:
  - Hot or high-pressure water.
  - Chlorine/bleach solution (1 ounce per gallon of water).
  - Vinegar (as sold).

A reminder to boaters- IT'S THE LAW! (CGS sec. 15-180): **Boaters must inspect their vessel and trailer for vegetation** and properly remove and dispose of any vegetation before transporting the vessel. You can be fined \$95 per violation.

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