

MAINTAIN YOUR BOAT WISELY

·Keep your engine clean so you can spot leaks

Inspect lines & hoses, replace when degraded

Use premium two-cycle engine oil

Use a vacuum sander for topside maintenance

When scraping or sanding boat bottoms, catch old paint & shavings for on-shore hazardous waste collection

If you do fill your tank upon return to port, fill it up only 90%

Slip a plastic bag over used oil filters before they are removed to capture drips

Use alternatives to toxic bottom paints

PROTECT SENSITIVE HABITAT

Proceed slowly in shallow areas

Do not disturb wildlife
Avoid contact with submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV)

Watch your wake - it can lead to shoreline erosion & disturb wildlife

Be careful not to lose fishing lines or nets in the water - they can entangle and kill birds, fish, and other wildlife

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS FOR BOATERS

Sewage

Free Pump Outs - call North Hempstead Town Dock @ 767-4622 or TONH Pump-Out Boat on VHF Channel 9 Use Shoreside Facilities Whenever Possible

Oil Spills

USCG @ 1-800-424-8802
NYSDEC 1-800-457-7362

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

USCG@ Ft. Totten
1-718-352-4422 or VHF Channel 16

USCG LI Sound Group @
1-203-468-4401 or VHF Channel 16

Nassau County Marine Police
1-516-573-4450 or VHF Channel 16

TOBAY Bay Constable 624-6201

TONH Bay Constable 767-4622 or VHF Channel 16

TONH Pump-Out Boat VHF Channel 9

TONH Town Dock 767-4622 or VHF Channel 16

NYS DEC Tag Fish -
1-800-448-8322
Wildlife/Injured Animals
1-516-333-6262 or
1-516-423-0982

CONTAIN TRASH

If trash blows overboard, retrieve it

Buy products without plastic or excessive packaging - plastic is deadly to fish & birds

Do not toss cigarette butts overboard

RECYCLE

Recycle cans, glass, plastic, newspaper, and hazardous wastes such as antifreeze, oil, filters, paint and lead batteries

Call 767-4600 (Town of North Hempstead) or 755-1839 (Town of Oyster Bay) for locations

Dispose of non-recyclable hazardous wastes properly

Never discharge used motor oil or other engine fluids into the water.

FUEL CAUTIOUSLY

Don't over fill your fuel tank - remember, fuel expands as it warms up

Fill your tank just before leaving on a trip

Use oil absorbent material to catch drips from the fuel intake and the vent overflow

CONTROL OIL IN THE BILGE

Keep your engine well tuned; no leaking seals, gaskets or hoses

Place oil absorbent material or bio-remediating bilge boom in the bilge

Place an oil absorbent pad and, if possible, a tray under the engine

Replace oil absorbent materials at least once a year

Secure fuel hoses to prevent chafing and leaks

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Manhasset Bay Protection Committee

The Manhasset Bay Protection Committee is an inter-municipal committee dedicated to the restoration and protection of Manhasset Bay and its watershed.

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