

# Invasive Species

Spiny Water Flea, Asian Clam & Zebra Mussel

**HELP STOP THE SPREAD**

Spiny Water Flea



Asian Clam



Zebra Mussel



**Clean**



**Drain**

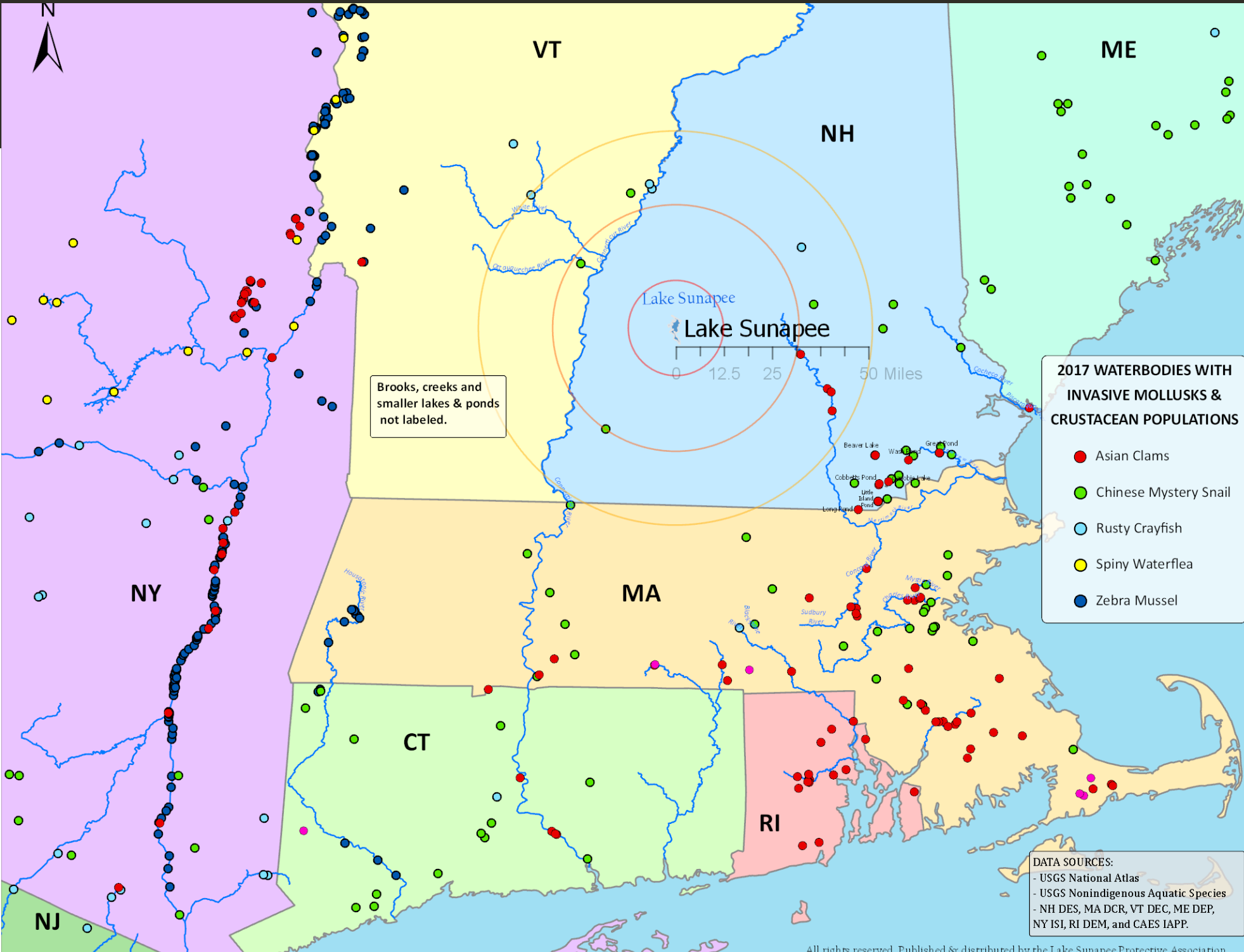


**& Dry**

**Your WATERCRAFT & GEAR**

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Brooks, creeks and smaller lakes & ponds not labeled.

**2017 WATERBODIES WITH INVASIVE MOLLUSKS & CRUSTACEAN POPULATIONS**

- Asian Clams
- Chinese Mystery Snail
- Rusty Crayfish
- Spiny Waterflea
- Zebra Mussel

**DATA SOURCES:**  
 - USGS National Atlas  
 - USGS Nonindigenous Aquatic Species  
 - NH DES, MA DCR, VT DEC, ME DEP,  
 NY ISI, RI DEM, and CAES IAPP.

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# ✓ Clean

Remove foreign material from boat hull and trailer at location of last use. Scrub and wash boat, trailer and gear.

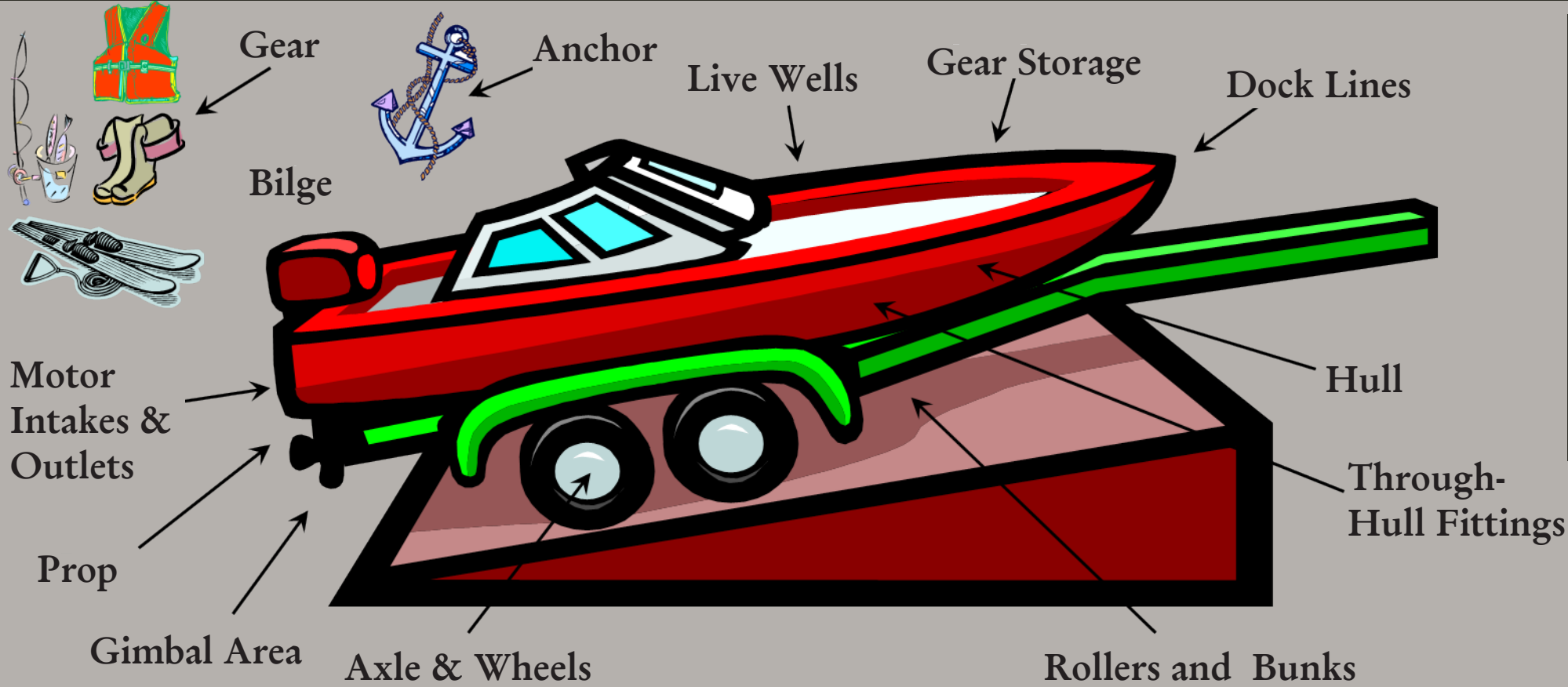
# ✓ Drain

Empty live wells, transom wells, ballast tanks, bilge and engine coolant lines at location of last use.

# ✓ & Dry

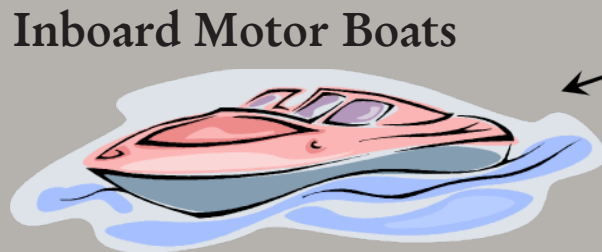
Allow several days for boat, trailer and gear to dry in a sunny area or undercover before launching.

## Why the Concern?



1. Invasive species, once introduced, reproduce rapidly and displace native finfish, mussel, crayfish and phyto/zooplankton species.
2. Shell deposition of invasive clams and mussels (bivalves) litter shorelines that can cut swimmer's feet in shallow waters.
3. Invasive bivalve excretion can increase filamentous algal growth leading to algal blooms.
4. The early immature life stage of some of these species are not visible to the human eye and can survive several days out of the water in moist environments.

**For More Information**  
 For additional information on invasive species and on cleaning your watercraft and recreational gear, scan code or visit on our website [www.lakesunapee.org](http://www.lakesunapee.org)



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Briefly Run Motor After Boating to Flush Jet Drive System

Jet Drive Boats



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