

# South Island Check Clean Dry for whitebaiters

New Zealand's rivers and lakes are treasures that need our care.

Invasive freshwater pests like didymo are a threat. Even a small drop of water or a tiny plant fragment can spread these invasives. You have the power to make a difference! By using **Check Clean Dry** you can help keep the waterways pest free so you can continue to enjoy them.



Use this handy table to see what you need to do.

<p>I am <b>only</b> using my Whitebaiting net and other gear the same part of this one lake or river...</p>	<p>Check and flick off any visible matter like weed, mud or clams, and then you are good to go.</p>
<p>I may go whitebaiting in more than one river or stream in the next 10 days</p>	<p><b>Firstly</b> – consider the option of borrowing gear at the location where you intend to go. If that’s not possible, go to the next box below.</p>
<p>I will go whitebaiting in more than one river or stream in the next 10 days</p> <p><b>Note: Whitebaiting gear will likely include items made of absorbent materials</b> – nets, traps and waders, wader boots or wetsuits</p> <p>If you use a boat, please see the separate table for power boats.</p>	<p><b>CHECK</b> and flick off any visible matter like weed or mud. Drain river water, for example from your net pole and excess water from your bucket, onto the grass and not to a stormwater drain.</p> <p><b>CLEAN:</b> For absorbent materials: mix 10% dishwashing detergent with water, use to soak or scrub them and leave wet for 10 minutes.</p> <p><b>DRY</b> to touch and then leave the net and other gear to completely dry for another 48 hours. This will further reduce survival of the clam and other invasives.</p>
<p>I am <b>not going to use</b> this net or other gear any time in the next 10 days...</p>	<p>Check and flick off any visible matter like weed, mud or adult clams; pull out the bungs; drain or dry any remaining pooled water, and let it all <b>completely Dry</b>.</p>
<p><b>Transfer of live whitebait to other waterways is illegal</b> in addition there is potential to transfer juvenile clams.</p>	

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# South Island Check Clean Dry for power boats

New Zealand's rivers and lakes are treasures that need our care.

Invasive freshwater pests like didymo are a threat. Even a small drop of water or a tiny plant fragment can spread these invasives. You have the power to make a difference! By using **Check Clean Dry** for your boat and gear you can help keep the waterways pest free so you can continue to enjoy them.



Use this handy table to see what you need to do:

<p>We <b>only</b> use this boat and gear at this lake.</p>	<p><b>Check</b> and flick off any visible matter like weed or mud and then you are good to go.</p>
<p>We are using this boat and gear in <b>another lake, river or wetland</b></p>	<p><b>Firstly</b> – consider the option of borrowing gear at the location where you intend to go. If that's not possible, see the box below.</p>
<p>We are using this boat and gear in <b>another lake, river or wetland</b>.</p>	<p>Pull the boat out and put the motor down—run motor for 15 seconds to drain any water.</p> <p><b>CHECK:</b> Remove all plant and other material from the boat and any gear that has been in the water.</p> <p><b>CLEAN:</b> For absorbent materials: mix 10% dishwashing detergent with water, use to soak or scrub them and leave wet for 10 minutes.</p> <p><b>DRY:</b> Dry your craft and gear completely inside and out. You may need to use an old towel to dry pooled areas inside your boat. Then leave to Dry for at least 48 hours. The outside of the hull will Dry when towed at least 20km on a warm day.</p>
<p>Our boat trailer is <b>made of boxed-section steel...</b></p>	<p>In addition to other actions listed, stop on the ramp to <b>let the boxed sections drain</b>, or drive slowly up the ramp. At home, <b>put a tap-water hose up into the sections</b> under a bit of pressure to rinse them out, on grass and not into a stormwater drain.</p>
<p>We are <b>not going to use</b> this boat or gear any time <b>in the next 10 days...</b></p>	<p>Check and flick off any visible matter like weed, mud or adult clams; pull out the bung; drain or dry any remaining pooled water, and then let it all <b>completely Dry</b>.</p>

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