

Nevada AIS Regulations

Nev. Admin. Code Ch. 488 (Watercraft)

§ 488.520 Duties of person required to decontaminate vessel or conveyance.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person required to decontaminate a vessel or conveyance pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 488.530 shall, in addition to complying with the requirements of section 1 of this regulation:
 - (a) Inspect all exposed surfaces on the vessel or conveyance;
 - (b) Remove and kill all aquatic invasive species that are visible on the vessel or conveyance;
 - (c) Remove all aquatic plant material and any other debris visible on the vessel or conveyance;
 - (d) Inspect, clean and dry each item on the vessel or conveyance, including, without limitation, each life jacket, water ski, anchor, rope and piece of equipment for fishing;
 - (e) Wash the vessel and any portion of the conveyance that was in contact with the impaired body of water with high-pressure hot water; and
 - (f) Allow the vessel or conveyance to dry for not less than the period recommended by the Drying Time Estimator of the 100th Meridian Initiative, which is available at its website, <http://www.100thmeridian.org/>.
2. In lieu of complying with the provisions of subsection 1, the person may decontaminate the vessel or conveyance at an inspection station for aquatic invasive species using any method approved by the Department for that inspection station.

§ 488.523. Fee; temporary authorization number.

1. The amount of the aquatic invasive species fee for an aquatic invasive species decal required pursuant to NRS 488.536 is:
 - (a) For a motorboat which is operated or otherwise located on the waters of this State, \$12 annually; and
 - (b) For a vessel, other than a motorboat, which is operated or otherwise located on the waters of this State, \$5 annually.
2. A person who wishes to obtain a replacement aquatic invasive species decal for a lost, stolen, mutilated or destroyed aquatic invasive species decal must pay to the Department a replacement fee of \$5.

3. If an application for an aquatic invasive species decal was made via the Internet or by telephone, the Department may issue to the applicant a temporary authorization number that is valid for use on the waters of this State for not more than 10 days after the date of issuance.

§ 488.525 Decals.

1. Each aquatic invasive species decal expires on December 31 of the year in which the decal is issued.
2. The aquatic invasive species decal issued by the Department for an inflatable vessel with an inflatable transom may be attached to a removable plate that is securely attached to the port side transom of the vessel.
3. Each aquatic invasive species decal issued by the Department:
 - (a) Must be approximately 3 inches square; and
 - (b) On and after January 1, 2013, must be issued in an annual rotation of the colors blue, international orange, green and red.
4. An aquatic invasive species decal is invalid if the decal has been cut, trimmed or otherwise altered.
5. Only a valid, unexpired aquatic species decal issued by the Department may be displayed on a vessel.
6. An aquatic invasive species decal is invalid and must be surrendered to the Department if:
 - (a) The application submitted to obtain the aquatic invasive species decal contained false or fraudulent information; or
 - (b) The fee for the issuance of the decal is not paid.
7. A manufacturer or dealer must possess an aquatic invasive species decal for each temporary operating permit issued by the Department.

§ 488.526. Requirements for transporting or launching vessel or conveyance.

The owner, operator or person in control of a vessel or conveyance that is transported on a public road or launched on a body of water in this State shall:

1. At or reasonably near the site at which the vessel or conveyance is taken out of the body of water, drain all water from the vessel or conveyance and from any equipment on the vessel or conveyance, including, without limitation, any water held in a ballast tank, motor cooling system, bilge, live well, motor or lower outboard unit.

2. Ensure that all drain plugs, drain valves and other devices used to control the draining of water from the vessel or conveyance, and from any equipment on the vessel or conveyance, are removed or opened while transporting the vessel or conveyance on public roads in this State.

§ 488.527 Exception.

The provisions of NAC 488.520, 488.523, 488.525 and 488.526 do not apply to a vessel which is not capable of retaining water.

Nev. Admin. Code Ch. 503 (Hunting, Fishing, Trapping: Miscellaneous Protective Measures)

§ 503.072 Injurious aquatic species: Fish; mollusks; amphibians; crustaceans.

For the purposes of NRS 503.597, the following species are classified as injurious aquatic species:

1. Fish:

Common Name	Scientific Classification
(a) Asian swamp eel	All species in the genus <i>Monopterus</i>
(b) Bighead carp	<i>Hypophthalmichthys nobilis</i>
(c) Flathead catfish	<i>Pylodictus olivaris</i>
(d) Gars	All species in the family Lepisosteidae
(e) Nile perch	All species in the genera <i>Lates</i> and <i>Luciolates</i> , except for <i>Lates calcarifer</i>
(f) Northern pike	<i>Esox lucius</i>
(g) Piranhas	All species in the genera <i>Serrasalmus</i> , <i>Serrasalmo</i> , <i>Pygocentrus</i> , <i>Pristobrycon</i> , <i>Hydrolycus</i> , <i>Rooseveltiella</i> and <i>Pygopristis</i>
(h) Round goby	<i>Neogobius melanostomus</i>
(i) Silver carp	<i>Hypophthalmichthys molitrix</i>
(j) Snakeheads	All species in the genera <i>Ophicephalus</i> , <i>Channa</i> and <i>Parachanna</i>
(k) South American	All species in the families Cetopsidae and Trichomycteridae parasitic catfish
(l) Tiger fish	<i>Hoplias malabaricus</i>

2. Mollusks:

Common Name	Scientific Classification
Apple snails	All species in the genus <i>Pomacea</i>

3. Amphibians:

Common Name	Scientific Classification
African clawed frogs	All species in the genus <i>Xenopus</i>

4. Crustaceans:

Common Name	Scientific Classification
(a) Rusty crayfish	<i>Orconectes rusticus</i>
(b) Australian red claw crayfish	<i>Cherax quadricarinatus</i>

§ 503.074. Aquatic invasive species: Mollusks.

For the purposes of NRS 503.597, the following species are classified as aquatic invasive species:

Mollusks:

Common Name	Scientific Classification
1. Golden mussels	<i>Limnoperna fortunei</i>
2. New Zealand mud snails	<i>Potamopyrgus antipodarum</i> , <i>P. jenkinsi</i>
3. Quagga and zebra mussels	All species in the genus <i>Dreissena</i>

§ 503.597. Introduction or removal of aquatic life or wildlife: Approval required; investigation; regulations; penalties

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, it is unlawful, except by the written consent and approval of the Department, for any person at any time to receive, bring or have brought or shipped into this State, or remove from one stream or body of water in this State to any other, or from one portion of the State to any other, or to any other state, any aquatic life or wildlife, or any spawn, eggs or young of any of them.
2. The Department shall require an applicant to conduct an investigation to confirm that such an introduction or removal will not be detrimental to the wildlife or the habitat of wildlife in this State. Written consent and approval of the Department may be given only if the results of the investigation prove that the introduction, removal or importation will not be detrimental to existing aquatic life or wildlife, or any spawn, eggs or young of any of them.
3. The Commission may through appropriate regulation provide for the inspection of such introduced or removed creatures and the inspection fees therefor.
4. The Commission may adopt regulations to prohibit the importation, transportation or possession of any species of wildlife which the Commission deems to be detrimental to the wildlife or the habitat of the wildlife in this State.

5. A person who knowingly or intentionally introduces, causes to be introduced or attempts to introduce an aquatic invasive species or injurious aquatic species into any waters of this State is guilty of:
 - (a) For a first offense, a misdemeanor; and
 - (b) For any subsequent offense, a category E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.
6. A court before whom a defendant is convicted of a violation of subsection 5 shall, for each violation, order the defendant to pay a civil penalty of at least \$25,000 but not more than \$250,000. The money must be deposited into the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund and used to:
 - (a) Remove the aquatic invasive species or injurious aquatic species;
 - (b) Reintroduce any game fish or other aquatic wildlife destroyed by the aquatic invasive species or injurious aquatic species;
 - (c) Restore any habitat destroyed by the aquatic invasive species or injurious aquatic species;
 - (d) Repair any other damage done to the waters of this State by the introduction of the aquatic invasive species or injurious aquatic species; and
 - (e) Defray any other costs incurred by the Department because of the introduction of the aquatic invasive species or injurious aquatic species.
7. The provisions of this section do not apply to:
 - (a) Alternative livestock and products made therefrom; or
 - (b) The introduction of any species by the Department for sport fishing or other wildlife management programs.
8. As used in this section:
 - (a) “Aquatic invasive species” means an aquatic species which is exotic or not native to this State and which the Commission has determined to be detrimental to aquatic life, water resources or infrastructure for providing water in this State.
 - (b) “Injurious aquatic species” means an aquatic species which the Commission has determined to be a threat to sensitive, threatened or endangered aquatic species or game fish or to the habitat of sensitive, threatened or endangered aquatic species or game fish by any means, including, without limitation:
 - (1) Predation;
 - (2) Parasitism;

- (3) Interbreeding; or
- (4) The transmission of disease.