

THE BASICS **OF BOAT PUMPOUT**



Keeping untreated sewage out of inland and sheltered shallow coastal waters is one of the biggest contributions boaters can make to local water quality... and it's the law.

See back for information on how to use pumpout stations.

Call 1-800-ASK-FISH to find the closest facilities.

How To Pump Your Boat's Holding Tank:

Since different machines vary slightly, read and follow posted directions! In general, here's how it works:

- Remove cap from boat's deck waste fitting.
- Insert pumpout hose nozzle into deck fitting.
- Turn pump on. If there is a hose valve, open it to start suction.
- When no waste is seen in sight glass, close hose valve and remove nozzle from deck fitting.
- Put nozzle (with open valve) in bucket of water for 15 seconds to rinse hose. If desired, rinse boat's tank with water and pump dry.
- Close valve. Put away hose.
 Turn off pump if requested.
 Replace deck fitting cap.



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