A Boater’s Guide to No Discharge Zones and Pump-Out Facilities

For More Information about NDZs
For more information about the No Discharge Zone designation for Patchogue Bay and the South Shore Estuary Reserve, contact:

- NYSDEC Division of Water at: (518) 402-8179;
- Your local marina or yacht club;
- Or on the web: http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/73875.html

The symbol below is used to designate a Clean Vessel Act Pump-Out Station:

For Water Quality Information
This pamphlet is one of a series of pamphlets describing storm water pollution prevention and water quality improvement measures.

For more information about ways to prevent stormwater pollution and improve water quality, please visit our website: http://www.patchoguevillage.org/stormwater.html

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Local Pump-Out Facilities

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<td>Town of Brookhaven - Sandspit Marina Beach Avenue, Patchogue, NY</td>
<td>Ch. 9 and 16 (516) 315-6217</td>
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<td>Town of Brookhaven - Corey Creek Corey Avenue, Patchogue, NY</td>
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<td>Patchogue Shores Marina 28 Cornell Road, East Patchogue, NY</td>
<td>Ch. 16 and 68 (631) 475-0790</td>
<td>● Shore-Side Facility (Free)</td>
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<td>Island View Marina 61 Price St., Patchogue, NY</td>
<td>(631) 447-1234</td>
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Recreational Vessel Sewage Discharge Control for:

Patchogue Bay
Great South Bay
South Shore Estuary Reserve
A No Discharge Zone (NDZ) is a designated area where the overboard discharge of all treated or untreated boat sewage is prohibited. This means that vessels with either through-hull waste disposal systems (Types I and II Marine Sanitation Devices or MSDs) or holding tanks (Type III MSDs) must use approved pump-out facilities within the No Discharge Zone.

Sewage wastes discharged from boats may degrade water quality by introducing microorganisms, nutrients, and chemical products into the marine environment. Microorganisms, which include pathogens and bacteria, may introduce diseases like hepatitis, typhoid fever and gastroenteritis to people in contact with the water, and can contaminate shellfish beds. Nutrients, particularly nitrogen, cause algal blooms that are harmful to fish, shellfish, and eelgrass beds. Chemical products can be toxic to marine life.

In 2009, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) designated the coastal waters of the South Shore Estuary Reserve, which includes Patchogue Bay and Great South Bay, as a No Discharge Zone because they do not meet Clean Water Act standards for pathogenic bacteria.

Pumping wastes out of your boat into designated pump-out facilities helps keep the environment clean, resulting in healthy bays, estuaries, and ocean waters.

When boating in a No Discharge Zone, sewage from Type I, II, and III MSDs cannot be discharged. Type I and II MSDs must be secured to prevent discharge. Closing the seacock and padlocking it, using a non-releasable wire tie, or removing the seacock handle (with the seacock closed) would be sufficient. Locking the door of the head with a padlock or door handle key lock is another acceptable method of securing the MSD while in a No Discharge Zone.

Type III MSDs (holding tanks) and portable toilets are the only sanitary equipment that can be used in a No Discharge Zone. Portable toilets are not subject to the MSD regulations, but are, however, subject to disposal regulations which prohibit the disposal of raw sewage within the 3-mile limit or territorial waters of the United States, the Great Lakes, or navigable rivers.

These regulations are enforceable by any agent with authority over marine resources, including, but not limited to, NYSDEC law enforcement, harbormasters, and police officers assigned to patrol the waters of New York State.

Four pump-out facilities are located in Patchogue Bay (two shore-side and two pump-out boats) and can be contacted by phone or VHF radio. Contact information is provided on the back of this pamphlet.

The South Shore Estuary Reserve (SSER) encompasses 110,720 acres of open water and intertidal area. The waterbodies included in the SSER are Shinnecock Bay (East and West), Quantuck Bay, Moriches Bay (East and West), Bellport Bay, Patchogue Bay, Nicoll Bay, Great South Bay (West, East and Great Cove), South Oyster Bay, East Bay Complex, Middle Bay Complex and Western South Shore Bay.