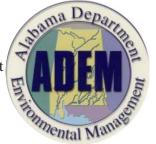
## Alabama Clean Boating Act

The Alabama Clean Boating Act authorizes inspections of marine sanitary devices (MSDs) by the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources on all recreational and residence vessels that carry an on-board sewage system. The law also requires all marinas with boat customers that use MSDs with holding tanks to install a boat sewage pump-out system for handling boating wastes at their facility. Marinas without pump-out or waste reception capability are prohibited from docking vessels with on-board holding tanks containing untreated waste.

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Look for marinas with this sign!

**Keep Our Water Clean - Use Pumpouts** 



# BOATERS THIS IS THE PLACE



## FOR PORTABLE WASTEI



## Dump No Waste!

Bass boats, runabouts and pontoon boat sales are on the rise as recreational boating gains in popularity. Also on the rise is the sale of portable toilets. Portable toilets are not considered installed toilets and can safely store 2 to 9 gallons of human sewage.



Direct overboard discharge of portable toilet waste is a violation of state water regulations.



The contents of these devices should be emptied at a shoreside dump station or at home and flushed immediately. When dumped directly into the water illegally by boaters, fecal coliform bacteria can enter the water and spread diseases, which may lead to beach closings, contaminated shellfish beds, lowered oxygen levels and added fertility of your lake.





Look for the orange and white signs at marina docks on your lake. The se

signs are visible wherever pumpouts and dump stations are located. Many pumpout station manufac-turers also have special wand attachments to empty the contents of portable toilets. Look for these attachments or ask the marina owner for one.

### **Be A Responsible Boater:**

Place Your Waste in Its Proper Place-Use Pumpouts and Dump Stations!