

The Ohio Clean Marinas Program (OCMP)



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OCMP Overview

- **Educating** > 300 L. Erie marinas and 400,000 boaters on best management & boater practices
- **Encouraging** voluntary, incentive-based participation
- **Protecting** 312 miles of Ohio Lake Erie shoreline





Clean Marinas Program Development



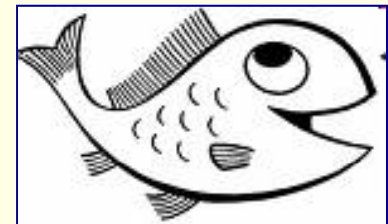
Ohio's Program

- Began in 2004
- 39 Ohio Clean Marinas
- 32 Pledged Marinas
- > 750 Clean Boaters



Benefits of Becoming an Ohio Clean Marina

- Public recognition, enhanced image
- Attracting conscientious boaters
- Opportunities for networking and partnering
- Compliance assistance
- Reduced liabilities
- Financial incentives
- Improved water quality and wildlife habitat



Marina Certification Process

1. Attend workshop & receive guidebook



2. Take the Clean Marina Pledge



3. Site visit and evaluation



4. Incorporate recommendations



5. Final site visit and certification



Shrink-wrap Recycling

- >100 marinas participate
- Average annual savings: \$700 / marina
- Over **1.7 million lbs** recycled since 2006
- Enough guard rail blocks to protect over 300 miles of highway



Ohio Clean Boater Program

Becoming a Clean Boater

- Learn Best Boater Practices
- Pledge to follow practices
- Receive “**Clean Boater**” designation & rewards



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Summary

- Clean Marinas and Clean Boater Programs are simple ways to make a difference
- Please take the pledge & encourage others





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