

## Calling all Anglers Help stop the Invasion!

Invasive plants and animals can impact on our wildlife, carry diseases that kill fish, and block waterways and banks. Contaminated fishing gear and boats can assist their spreads to new waterways.



**Check** your gear, clothing, and footwear after leaving the water for mud, aquatic animals, or plant material. Remove anything you find and leave it at the site.



**Clean** everything as soon as you can. Pay particular attention to nets, waders and areas that are damp and hard to inspect. Use hot water (at least 45°C) or a high-pressure spray when possible.



**Dry** all equipment and clothing until dry for at least 48 hours as some invasive species can live for weeks in damp conditions.

**Disinfect** all items if complete drying is not possible.

Protect the environment and fishing you enjoy by keeping your kit free of invasive species

Some invasives to watch out for:



FISH DISEASES



**QUAGGA MUSSEL** 



AFRICAN CURLY WATERWEED



**KILLER SHRIMP** 



Find out more about invasive species and how you can help to stop the spread at:

invasives.ie/biosecurity/check-clean-dry







