

Pre-event template (via email)

Subject: ATTENTION COMPETITORS– “insert name of event”

Dear “-----”

Thank you for taking part in this year’s “add event name”

PROTECT OUR WATERS, STOP THE SPREAD-

Please help us and others to keep our waterways free from invasive species. We play a key role in helping to record, stop the spread and manage invasive species. Invasive species can be easily transferred through wet, damp and dirty kit/equipment.

Invasive species are a concern because they can:

- Reduce our ability to access and enjoy waterways for sport and recreation
- Slow river flow and increase flood risk
- Reduce water quality harm environmental and human health
- Negatively effect our native species and ecosystems



PLEASE NOTE-

Before the event, please arrive at the event with all your kit clean and dry.

During the event, wash-down stations will be provided and all participants are encouraged to clean equipment again before leaving using the **Check, Clean, Dry** method- [Check Clean Dry - Invasives.ie](https://www.invasives.ie/en/check-clean-dry)

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Kind regards,

“insert sign-off name”