2014 Keep Our Waters Clean Questionnaire

Thank you for taking your time to answer the questions below. Your input will help us work toward improving environmental education in California.
Date:_____ Location where you received the boater kit and questionnaire: _____
(event/location name & city)

1. How long have you been boating? ____year(s) or ____months

2. What is your 5-digit home zip code? ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

3. What type of boat(s) do you currently own?

- ☐ Ski boat/Run-about
- ☐ Cuddy cabin/Cruiser
- ☐ Fishing boat
- ☐ Motor yacht
- ☐ House boat
- ☐ Off-shore racer (cigarette boat)
- ☐ Sailboat with auxiliary motor
- ☐ Sailboat without auxiliary motor
- ☐ Personal watercraft (jet-ski)
- ☐ Other (specify: _____)

4. What type of toilet is on your boat?

- ☐ Installed toilet **(Go to question 5)**
- ☐ Port-a-potty **(Skip to question 6)**
- ☐ No toilet on board **(Skip to question 6)**

5. In the past year, when using a sewage pump-out station, how often...

a. ☐ Not Applicable, I use a mobile pump-out service **(Skip to question 6)**

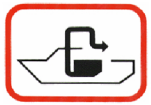
	Never	Rarely	Half the Time	Most Often	Always
b. Is it broken?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. Is it closed?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. Do you wait in line?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. Are you unable to find one?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

f. ☐ Never use the installed toilet on my boat.

6. Did you know this logo represents a location where you can recycle used motor oil?

☐ YES ☐ No, but now I do!

7. Did you know this logo represents a location where you can safely pump-out your boat sewage?



☐ YES ☐ No, but now I do!

8. Which of the following may happen to those who discharge untreated boat sewage within the 3-mile territorial limit?

- ☐ Nothing - It is discouraged but not against the law
- ☐ Fine up to $1100
- ☐ Fine up to $2000
- ☐ Up to 6 months in jail
- ☐ Don't know

9. Which of the following may happen to those who discharge fuel, oil, oily wastes and hazardous substances into or upon navigable waters of the U.S.?

- ☐ Fine of up to $10,000.
- ☐ Violators are liable for the cost of the cleanup and are subject to the substantial civil and/or criminal penalties
- ☐ One to 15 years imprisonment
- ☐ Don't know

10. The use of soaps or other dispersing agents to dissipate and/or mask oil on the water is:

☐ LEGAL ☐ ILLEGAL

11. Dumping any treated waste is illegal in: (check all that apply)

- ☐ Marinas or yacht harbors
- ☐ No Discharge Zones
- ☐ Freshwater lakes, freshwater reservoirs or freshwater impoundments
- ☐ Rivers that don't support interstate traffic
- ☐ None of the above

Thank you for your time, now you are ready to take the pledge for healthier waterways and to keep boating good, clean and fun!

Please See Reverse

Pledge to Keep Our Waters Clean: Please read and check the box next to each clean boating habit you will implement this year. Let's keep boating clean and fun.

I pledge to:

- ☐ Go green when I clean. Use less toxic, biodegradable, and phosphate free cleaning products.
- ☐ Never use soaps to remove any oil or sheen on the water.
- ☐ Stash trash onboard, recycle, use reusable water bottles, coffee mugs and bags and avoid excess packaging.
- ☐ Dispose of hazardous wastes (e.g. used oil, oil filters, oil/fuel-saturated absorbents, batteries, and antifreeze) properly at a local Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center.
- ☐ Never discharge raw sewage overboard. Instead I will always use a landside restroom, sewage pumpout, port-a-potty dump station, or mobile service.
- ☐ Contain every drop. Leave the fuel tank 10% empty, use oil absorbents in the bilge, under the engine, and while fueling to capture unexpected leaks.
- ☐ Review and implement the practices included in the educational materials found in my new Clean Boating Kit.

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☐ **YES! I would like to receive clean boating information in the future.**
Fill in Address/Email Below

YOUR PRIVACY IS IMPORTANT! The California Coastal Commission and the California State Parks-Division of Boating & Waterways, The Bay Foundation, the Keep the Delta Clean Program and our partners do not share information with any other company or organization.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

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