

DON'T FOOL WITH FUEL

HELP KEEP OUR WATER CLEAN

Gas, diesel and oil are extremely toxic to aquatic plants and animals! Fish and shellfish are sensitive to very low concentrations of petroleum products in our waters. Concentrations equal to 1 drop of gas in 17 gallons of water can harm some aquatic life. Little spills and drips add up fast.

Please, obey all safety rules and the following environmental fueling tips. **Remember, the person fueling the boat is responsible for all spills and associated penalties.**

- ✓ Fuel with care. Hold the gas nozzle handle and stay with your boat during the entire refueling operation!
- ✓ Use an absorbent “doughnut” or collar on the nozzle to prevent “splash-back” and catch drips.
- ✓ Use absorbent pads to catch drips when transferring nozzle to and from boat
- ✓ Save money and the environment, don't overfill or “top off” your tanks. Know your boat's fuel capacity.
- ✓ Fuel expands as it warms up. Do not fill tanks to more than 90% of capacity
- ✓ Watch the vents and be prepared to catch any overflow with absorbent pads or “no-spill” containers that fit over the vent opening.
- ✓ Consider installing an air/fuel separator or vent whistle in your tank vent line to prevent spills.
- ✓ Fill portable tanks on land and use a drip pan and absorbent material to catch drips and splashes.

If a spill occurs:

- ✓ Stop the source immediately.
- ✓ Report the spill to marina personnel. By law, spills must reported to New York State (1 (800) 457-7362) and the Coast Guard (1 (800) 424-8802)
- ✓ Use absorbent pads and materials to clean up small spills.
DO NOT USE detergents, soaps or dispersing agents.

Thank you for helping to keep our waters clean.

