



SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF GAME, FISH AND PARKS

523 EAST CAPITOL AVENUE | PIERRE, SD 57501

South Dakota Local Boat Registry

Background Information

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Commission authorized the Department of Game, Fish and Parks to create and enforce the provisions of a local boat registry on certain waters classified as "Containment Waters". The purposes of the local boat registry are to help prevent the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) and to provide reasonable, but limited accommodations for watercraft operators allowing them the ability to more easily comply with AIS regulations.

Local boat registry participants can elect to enroll annually in this program which will provide them with limited exemptions to specific AIS transportation and possession regulations and afford them additional options regarding AIS decontamination requirements. However, in order to prevent AIS from spreading from the containment water, any boat that is included in the registry will be restricted from certain activities unless the boat is decontaminated.

Transportation Zone

The Transportation Zone for the South Dakota Local Boat Registry is outlined on a map on the following page. Boundaries may be amended in future years, as necessary, to reduce the likelihood of spreading AIS. The exemptions from AIS transportation and possession regulations granted under this program do not apply to interstate transport. The Federal Lacey Act prohibits the interstate transport of Zebra Mussels, and the provisions of the South Dakota Local Boat Registry do not apply in other states. Boats transported outside this area must be decontaminated and free of any AIS.

The Transportation Zone boundaries are as follows:

Western: The Yankton-Bon Homme County line between the Missouri River and 304th Street in Yankton County

Northern:

Yankton County: A line extending east from the Yankton-Bon Homme County line along 304th Street to the SW Jim River Road, North to 303rd Street, East to the NW Jim River Road, South to 304th Street, and east along 304th Street to the Yankton-Clay County Line.

Clay and Union Counties: Highway 50

Eastern:

Yankton County: The Yankton-Clay County Line between Highway 50 and 304th Street in Yankton County

Union County: The South Dakota-Iowa State Line

Southern: The South Dakota-Nebraska State Line



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South Dakota Local Boat Registry Rules

General Rules

1. Any person (resident or non-resident) with a boat registered in the state of South Dakota may enroll in the South Dakota Local Boat Registry.
2. Upon approval of the South Dakota Local Boat Registry Application, a registered boat owner will be issued a registry decal that must be affixed to the port side of the vessel, within eighteen inches of the stern, and above the water line for the duration of the calendar year.
3. Participants who violate the provisions of the South Dakota Local Boat Registry will be subject to prosecution.
4. Participation in the registry is voluntary and there is no limit to the number of boats that may be registered to a person; however, only the legally registered owner of the boat may apply.

Allowances

1. Registered boats may be transported within the Transportation Zone without completing decontamination.
2. Registered boats with Zebra Mussels attached or on board may be transported or stored within the Transportation Zone.
3. Registered boats that are equipped with ballast tanks (e.g. wakeboard boats) may be transported within the Transportation Zone without completing decontamination prior to the next launch into a containment water.
4. Registered boats that are stored in a containment water for three or more consecutive days may be transported within the Transportation Zone without completing decontamination prior to the next launch into a containment water.

Restrictions

1. Registered boats may not be launched into any waterbody except a containment water without completing a decontamination.
2. Registered boats may not be transported outside the Transportation Zone without completing a department approved decontamination.
3. Each registered boat will be issued a boat log. The registered owner must document the decontamination process if the boat will be transported outside the Transportation Zone or launched in another waterbody.
4. Registered boats must have drain plugs open or removed before being transported away from a boat ramp parking lot and fish and bait cannot be transported in water from a lake, river, or stream.



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South Dakota Local Boat Registry Application

Registered Watercraft Owner Contact Information

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Telephone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____

Watercraft Registration Number: _____

Watercraft Storage Location-Boating Season (Dates: _____ through _____)

Private Residence Storage Facility Marina Property Other: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Distance from storage location to Containment Water: _____ miles

Watercraft Storage Location-Overwinter (Dates: _____ through _____)

Private Residence Storage Facility Marina Property Other: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Distance from storage location to Containment Water: _____ miles

Watercraft Decontamination Plan

Will the watercraft be transported outside the established Transportation Zone? YES NO

Where will decontamination be completed if necessary?

Private Residence Marina Other Business: _____ Other: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

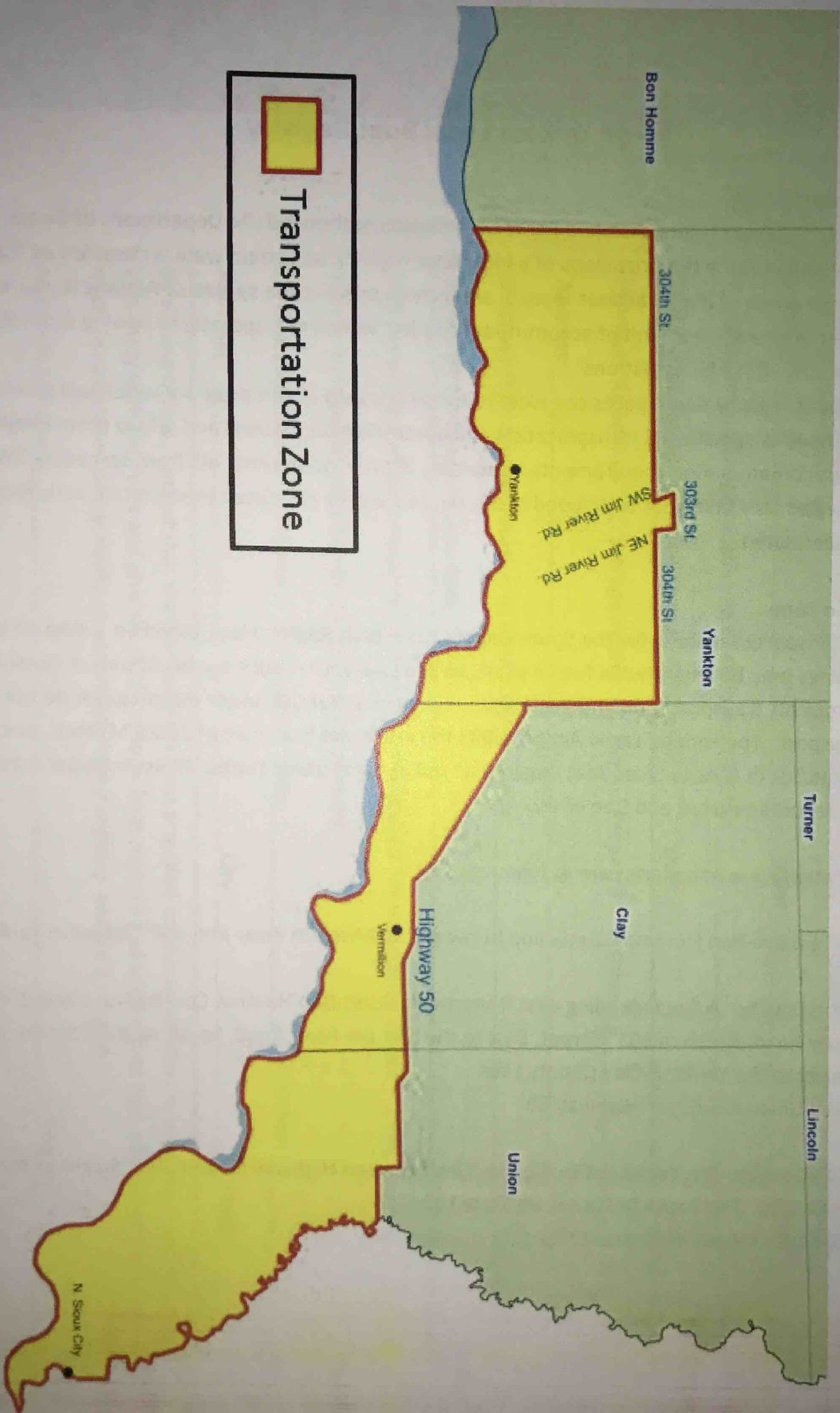
By signing below, I attest that the information I have provided on this application is accurate. I further agree to comply with the rules and guidelines of the local boat registry and understand that noncompliance may result in revocation of my ability to participate in the registry and/or a citation.


Applicant Signature _____ Date _____





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 Transportation Zone

