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- Michigan Clean Marina Program: www.miseagrant.umich.edu/cmp
- Clean Marina Classroom: www.cleanmarinaclassroom.org
- Great Lakes Clean Marina Network: www.glcleanmarina.org
- Michigan Boating Industries Association: www.mbia.org

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Michigan Clean Marina Program is a public-private partnership between Michigan Sea Grant, the Michigan Boating Industries Association, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, and public and private marina owners and operators. In addition, the Michigan Clean Marina Program is connected to the Great Lakes Clean Marina Network and the National Clean Marina Effort. The program is supported by the Michigan Clean Marina Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization.

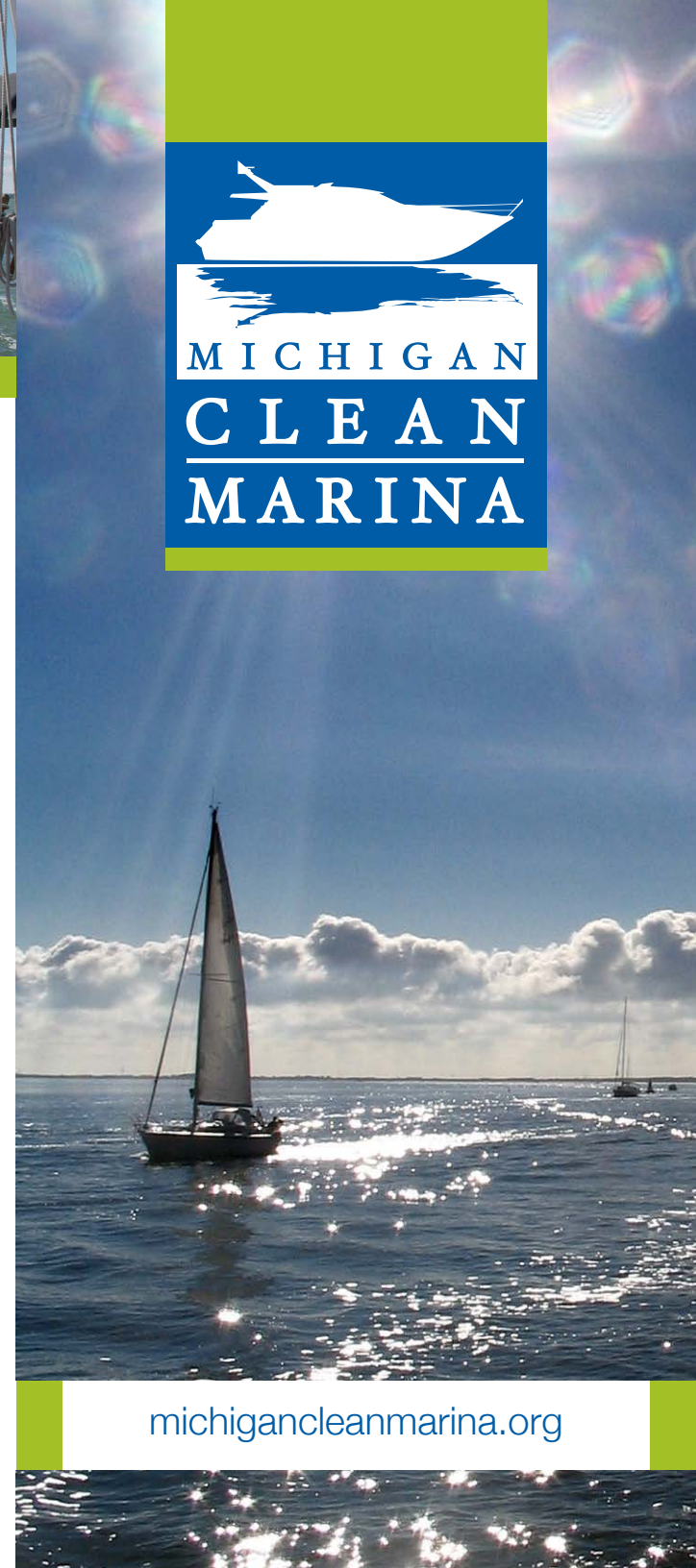


PROTECTING MICHIGAN'S WATER

With 750 marinas and nearly one million registered boats, Michigan is one of the top boating states in the nation. This popularity can take a toll on the environment. Each year, hazardous substances are inadvertently released into Michigan's waters as a result of common boating practices. These releases can harm fish and wildlife and degrade our shared aquatic resources.

The Clean Marina Program was developed to protect water resources and wildlife habitat by promoting environmentally sound marina and boating best practices. This voluntary stewardship program is open to all public and private marinas in Michigan.

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BENEFITS OF BECOMING A CERTIFIED CLEAN MARINA

- **Direct support** and technical assistance from certification specialists while seeking certification and recertification.
- **Promotional products** including tip cards, fact sheets and more.
- **Enhanced public image** by incorporating environmentally sound practices which enhance marina aesthetics.
- **Reduced pollution** originating from marina operations and improved water quality in Michigan's waterways and the Great Lakes.
- **Financial savings** from adopting cost-effective best management practices such as oil recycling and energy efficiency. Insurance discounts may also be available.
- **Free publicity** through program promotions and Clean Marina marketing.
- **Press kits** are available after certification to help boaters understand the significance of certification.

PROGRAM RESOURCES

Clean Marina Classroom training materials include examples of best practices for many aspects of marina businesses, from vendor contracts to cost-saving measures.

Materials address:

- Marina design and management
- Stormwater management
- Boat maintenance and repair
- Petroleum control
- Sewage handling
- Waste management and recycling
- Marina management
- Laws and regulations
- Boater education
- Aquatic invasive species education
- Increasing resilience to coastal storms

STEPS TO BECOME A CERTIFIED MICHIGAN CLEAN MARINA



STEP 1

Contact a Michigan Clean Marina representative



STEP 2

Pledge as a Clean Marina and enroll in the Clean Marina Classroom



STEP 3

Complete Clean Marina Classroom training



STEP 4

Perform marina self-evaluation using certification checklist



STEP 5

Schedule site visit with specialist



STEP 6

Site visit evaluation by Clean Marina specialist



STEP 7

Marina incorporates recommendations from site visit



STEP 8

Clean Marina committee recommends certification



STEP 9

Receive Clean Marina certification



STEP 10

Recertification at third year anniversary, then every five years

HOW IT WORKS

The Clean Marina Program encourages marinas to develop technically sound and economically feasible approaches to reduce waste and prevent the release of hazardous substances. A simple 10-step process helps marinas achieve Clean Marina certification.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The Michigan Clean Marina Program is a public-private partnership involving the marina industry, academic institutions and state government.

Objectives include:

1. Promote voluntary implementation of pollution prevention strategies, environmental risk reduction, and fish and wildlife habitat enhancement.
2. Encourage industry compliance with environmental laws and regulations.
3. Develop recognition for environmentally proactive marina operations.
4. Provide economic incentives for marina participation.