

Minnesota's Required Aquatic Invasive Species Training Programs





Lake Service Provider Program



What is a Lake Service Provider Business?





To Get Their Permit



**STOP AQUATIC
HITCHHIKERS!™**



**PERMITTED
SERVICE
PROVIDER**

**2014
2015
2016**

1. Register online for a service provider training
2. Pay the \$50 application and testing fee online
3. Attend AIS training for lake service providers
4. Complete and pass the service provider test.

Permit Basics



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**2014
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1. Only need one permit/business
2. Can have additional people listed on permit if they attend and pass training
3. Permit/vehicle stickers good for 3 calendar years

Permit Basics



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4. Permit is non-transferable and can be revoked, denied or modified
5. Businesses can not legally provide services until you receive your permit and vehicle stickers from the DNR

Lake Service Provider Training





Training Goals

1. How to get permit
2. Legal definition of a service provider
3. Common threats from Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS)
4. Laws related to service providers
5. Best practices to reduce AIS spread
6. How to use training manual and follow permit



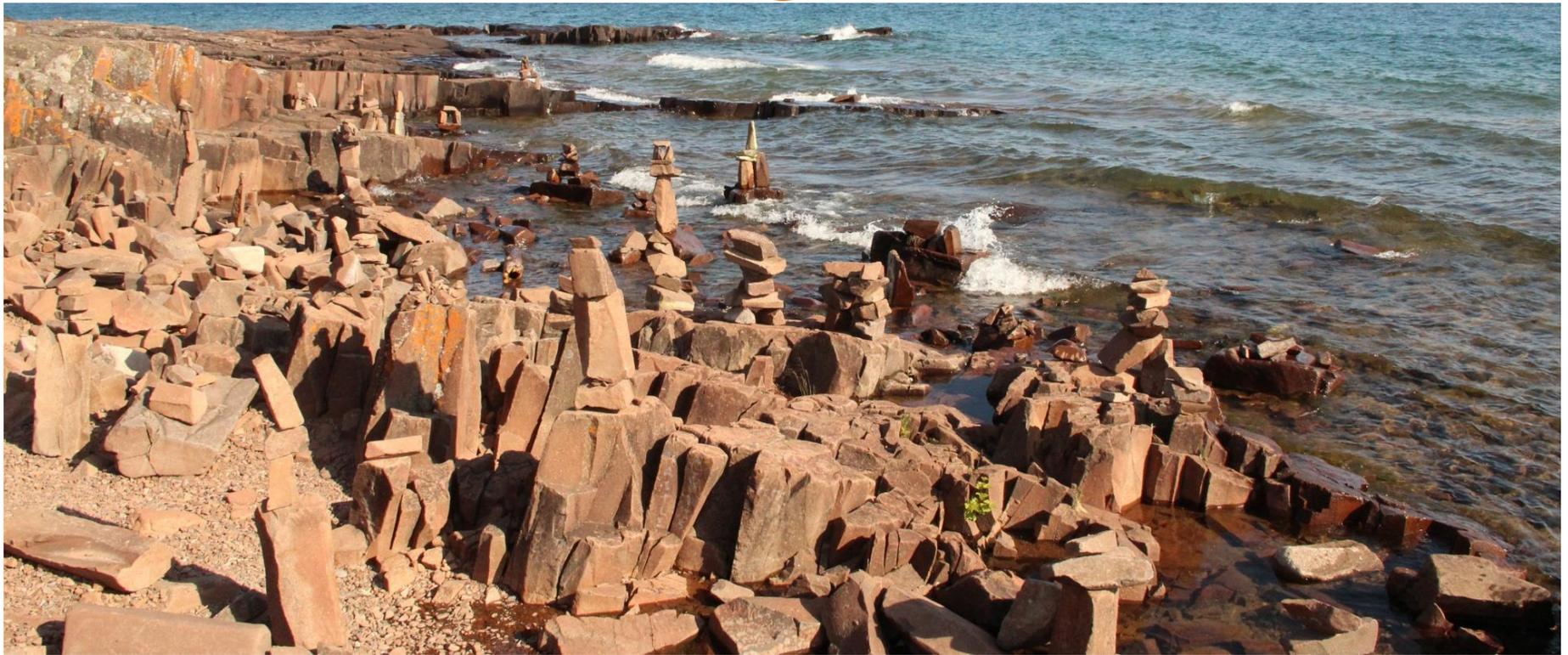
Aquatic Invasive Species 101



Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Laws



Your Lake Service Provider Permit



Water-related Equipment: Inspection and Decontamination 101



Best Practices for Lake Service Provider Businesses



Employee Online Training



Firstname
Lastname
has completed
Aquatic Invasive
Species training for

2014

2015

2016

**Lake Service Provider
Employees**

Lake Service Provider Employee Online Training

2014 training will be available in January.

If you work for a **Lake Service Provider** business, you are required by law to complete an online Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) training course before you work in waters of the state.

Course Basics

- The course is free and takes about an hour to complete.
- You are tested throughout the training and must answer the questions correctly to pass the course (but you may attempt the question an unlimited number of times).
- At the end of the course a certificate with your name on it is generated in a pop-up window. The certificate is the size of a business card. **Print the certificate and keep in your possession at all times when working in waters of the state.**
- Your certificate is also automatically saved on the DNR website. **If you need to save or print more copies, just log back in to your account to find the saved certificate.**
- Your training certificate is good for three calendar years. If you take the training in 2013, then your certificate is good for 2013, 2014, and 2015. In 2016, you would need to take the training again and obtain a new certificate.
- Your training certificate travels with you between employers. Even if you work for multiple lake service providers, you still only need to do this training once every three years.

Computer System Requirements for the training

- **Important: Pop-ups must be enabled on your internet browser. Pop-up blockers will prevent you from obtaining your certificate. Make sure you do not have a pop-up blocker on BEFORE YOU START THE TRAINING.**
- One of the following web browsers
 - Internet Explorer 8 or 9
 - **Firefox** 7.x or later
 - Safari 4 or later
 - **Google Chrome** (recommended for Macs or if you are having trouble with Adobe Flash Player)
- **Adobe Flash® Player 11** or later
- JavaScript and cookies must be enabled

Instructions for the training (MUST READ)

- You must complete the training in one sitting. The training presentation will take approximately one hour. **If you exit the training before completion you will have to start again from the beginning. Your test question answers will not be saved.**



Lake Service Provider Resources Online



Lake Service Provider (LSP) Training and Permit Program

New laws passed by the Minnesota legislature in 2011 require lake service provider businesses to complete training and obtain a permit.

Businesses that are defined by Minnesota law as lake service providers need to have the owner or manager attend aquatic invasive species training and apply for a lake service provider permit every three years.



- [Is my business an LSP?](#)
- [What's new for current LSPs?](#)
- Are you an LSP employee that needs online AIS training? [Learn more](#)
- [Register for 2014 trainings](#)

Lake Service Provider Business Owners

Is my business an LSP?

Hiring a Lake Service Provider

List of permitted LSP businesses

More Information

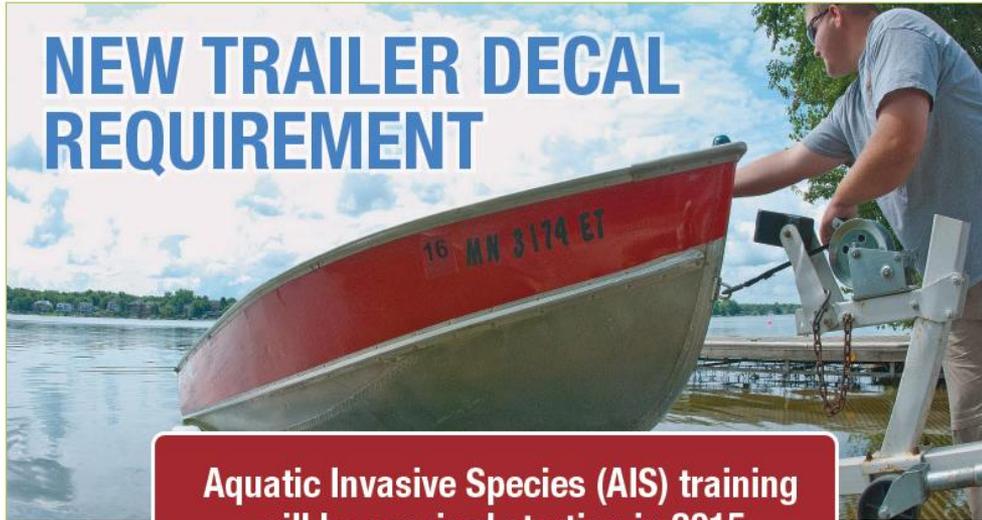
Minnesota aquatic invasive species laws

Public Training and Trailer Decal





Online Training



NEW TRAILER DECAL REQUIREMENT

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) training will be required starting in 2015

If you trailer a boat or water-related equipment like docks and lifts in Minnesota, you must take AIS training and get a trailer decal.

- Online training will be available here on January 5, 2015.
- Paper home-study training packets will also be available.
- Trailer decals are required on trailers starting July 1, 2015.

Frequently Asked Questions

Click on topic below to reveal more information. Click again to hide.

What is it?

Who needs to take the training?

How often do I need to renew?

What if I have more than one trailer?

Draft Trailer Decal



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