

Snorklers & SCUBA Divers

Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers!™



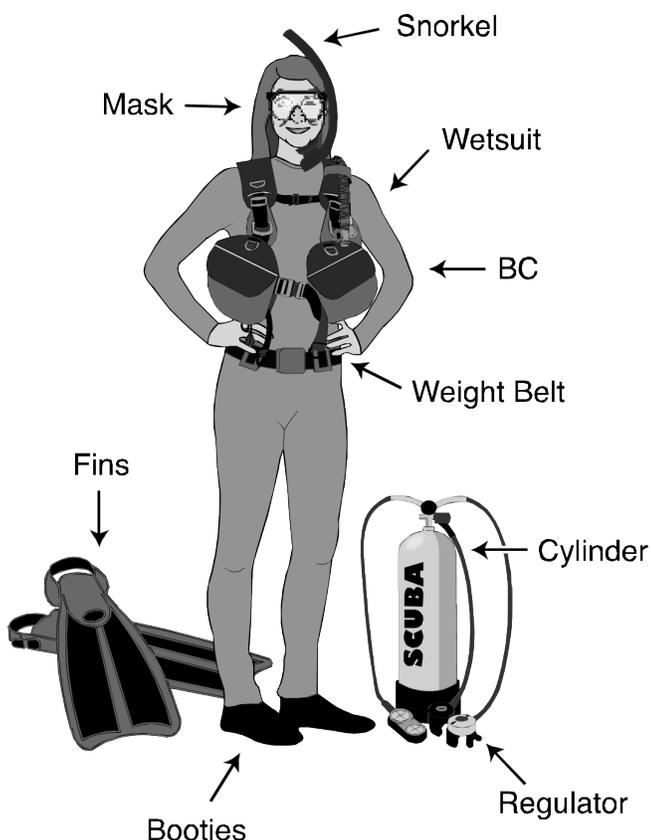
Clean Inspect and clean off visible plants, animals and mud from wetsuit, dry suit, mask, snorkel, fins, buoyancy compensator (BC), regulator, cylinder, weight belt, watercraft, motor, and trailer before leaving water access.

Soak gear used in saltwater dives in 5% dishwashing liquid solution (1 cup/gallon) or gear used in freshwater dives in 3.5% salt solution, (½ cup/gallon) for 30 minutes.

Rinse inside and outside of gear with hot water, when possible.

Drain water from BC, regulator, cylinder boot, watercraft, motor, and any water containing devices *before leaving water access*.

Dry everything **five days** or more when moving between waters to kill small species not easily seen **OR wipe** with a towel **before reuse**.



Help Protect OUR Waters!

Aquatic nuisance species are plants and animals introduced into waters that cause ecological and/or economic harm if established. Help the Wildlife Commission protect our waters by following guidelines to prevent the spread of ANS. For more information visit:

ncwildlife.org/ANS



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