Local Pump-Out Facilities

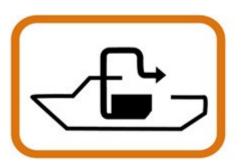
Group	Contact Information	Facility Type
Port Jefferson Harbor Town of Brookhaven Marina & Shore Side Pump-Out Facility	Ch. 9 (631) 331-3567	Shore-Side Facility
Port Jefferson Harbor Town of Brookhaven Pump Out Vessel	Ch. 73 (631) 473-3052	▲ Pump-out Vessel

For More Information about NDZs

For more information about the No Discharge Zone designation for the Port Jefferson Harbor Complex and Long Island Sound, contact:

- NYSDEC Division of Water at: (518) 402-8179;
- Your local marina or yacht club;
- Or on the web: http://www.dec.ny.gov/ chemical/73875.html

The symbol below is used to designate a Clean Vessel Act Pump-Out Station:



For Water Quality Information

This pamphlet is one of a series of pamphlets describing storm water pollution prevention and water quality improvement measures.

For more information about ways to prevent stormwater pollution and improve water quality, please visit our website: http://www.portjeff.com/village-information/environmental/stormwater-management/



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A Boater's Guide to No Discharge Zones and Pump-Out Facilities



Recreational Vessel Sewage Discharge Control for:

Port Jefferson Harbor Conscience Bay Setauket Harbor Little Bay

What is a No Discharge Zone (NDZ)?

A No Discharge Zone (NDZ) is a designated area where the overboard discharge of all treated or untreated boat sewage is prohibited. This means that vessels with either through-hull waste disposal systems (Types I and II Marine Sanitation Devices or MSDs) or holding tanks (Type III MSDs) must use approved pump-out facilities within the No Discharge Zone.

Why are No Discharge Zones created?

Sewage wastes discharged from boats may degrade water quality by introducing microorganisms, nutrients, and chemical products into the marine environment. Microorganisms, which include pathogens and bacteria, may introduce diseases like hepatitis, typhoid fever and gastroenteritis to people in contact with the water, and can contaminate shellfish beds. Nutrients, particularly, nitrogen, cause algal blooms that are harmful to fish, shellfish, and eelgrass beds. Chemical products can be toxic to marine life.

In 2001, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) designated the coastal waters of Port Jefferson Harbor, Conscience Bay, Setauket Harbor, and Little Bay as a No Discharge Zone because they do not meet Clean Water Act standards for pathogenic bacteria. The NYSDEC later designated, in 2011, all of Long Island Sound as a No Discharge Zone as part of on-going efforts to improve water quality of the Sound.

Pumping wastes out of your boat into designated pump-out facilities helps keep the environment clean, resulting in healthy bays, estuaries, and ocean waters.

What must I do to comply?

When boating in a No Discharge Zone, sewage from Type I, II, and III MSDs cannot be discharged. Type I and II MSDs must be secured to prevent discharge. Closing the seacock and padlocking it, using a non-releasable wire tie, or removing the seacock handle (with the seacock closed) would be sufficient. Locking the door of the head with a padlock or door handle key lock is another acceptable method of securing the MSD while in a No Discharge Zone.

Type III MSDs (holding tanks) and portable toilets are the only sanitary equipment that can be used in a No Discharge Zone. Portable toilets are not subject to the MSD regulations, but are, however, subject to disposal regulations which prohibit the disposal of raw sewage within the 3-mile limit or territorial waters of the United States, the Great Lakes, or navigable rivers.

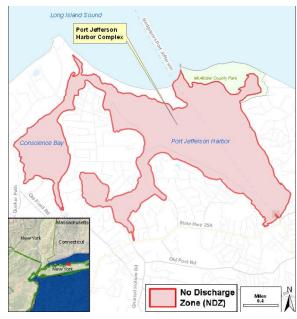
Enforcement

These regulations are enforceable by any agent with authority over marine resources, including, but not limited to, NYSDEC law enforcement, harbormasters, and police officers assigned to patrol the waters of New York State.

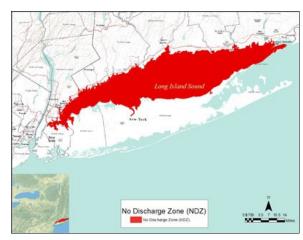
How do I pump-out?

Two pump-out facilities are located in Port Jefferson Harbor (one shore-side and one a pump-out boat) and can be contacted by phone or VHF radio. Contact information is provided on the back of this pamphlet. There is no cost for pump-out services.

No Discharge Zones Maps



Port Jefferson Harbor Complex



Long Island Sound