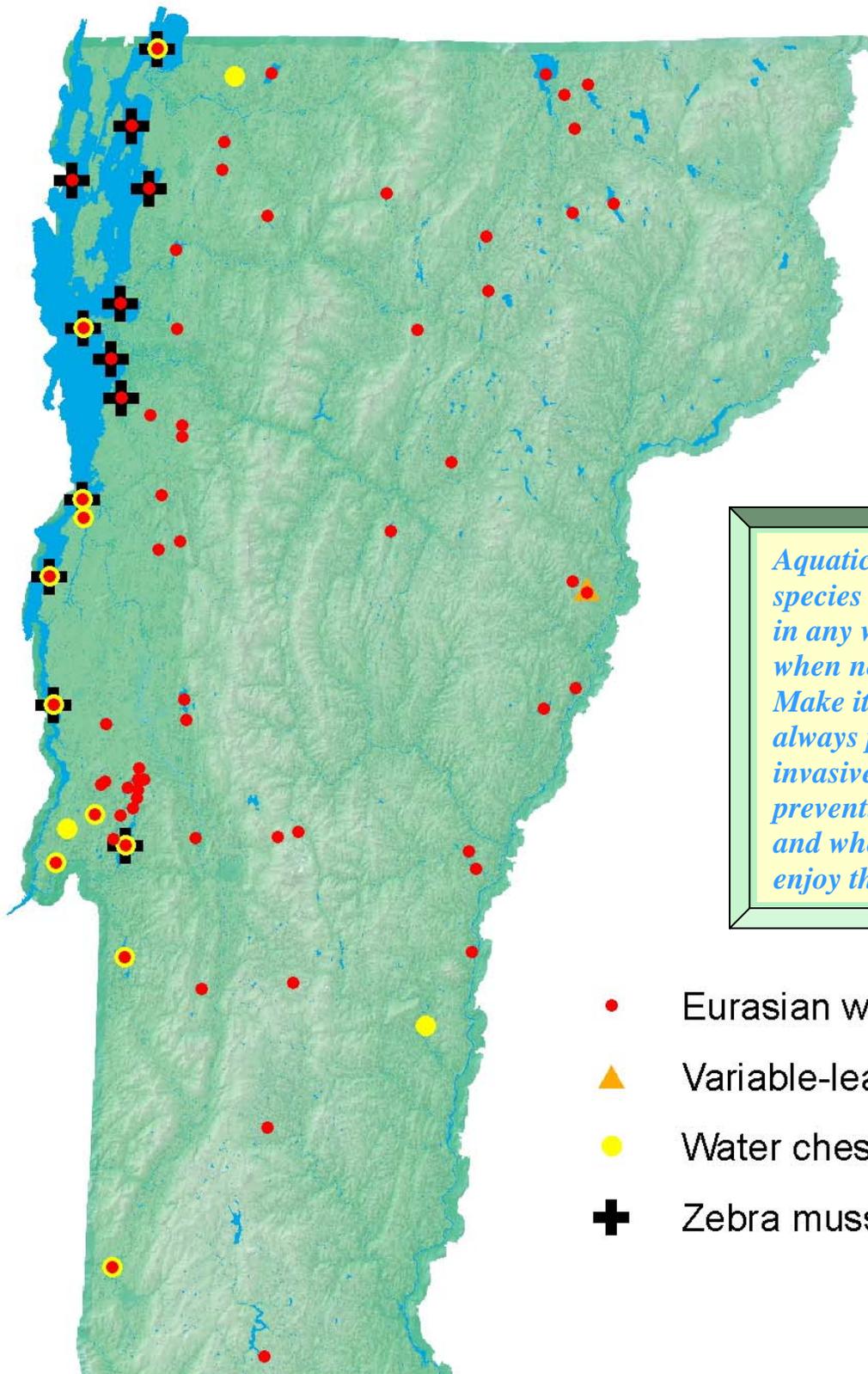


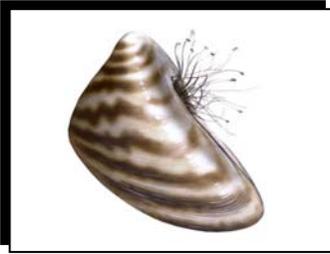
Vermont's Lakes and Ponds: Some Known Invasive Species Infestations



Aquatic invasive species may be present in any waterbody, even when not yet detected. Make it a habit to always practice invasive species spread prevention whenever and wherever you enjoy the water!

- Eurasian watermilfoil
- ▲ Variable-leaf watermilfoil
- Water chestnut
- ✚ Zebra mussels

Zebra mussel



Water chestnut



Eurasian watermilfoil



Variable-leaf watermilfoil



Help Protect Vermont's Waters

Do Your Part to Prevent the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species

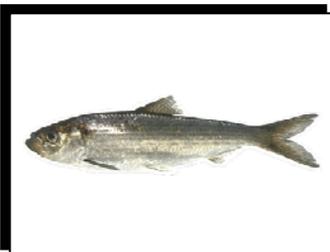
Before leaving a lake or stream:

- ✓ Inspect boat, trailer and equipment
- ✓ Remove all plant and animal material and discard in trash
- ✓ Drain water from bait bucket, livewell, bilge and any other equipment
- ✓ Never leave waters with live fish and always buy bait from licensed dealers
- ✓ To remove organisms you cannot see on your boat, waders or gear:

Did you know?
79% of Vermont's lakes are NOT known to be infested with Eurasian watermilfoil!

For more information, including a list of known infestations as well as other invasive species threatening Vermont's waters, visit www.vtwaterquality.org or call the Water Quality Division at 802-241-3777.

- Scrub equipment with hot soapy water and rinse
- Spray boat and trailer with high pressure water and/or dry in the sun for 5 days before moving between waterbodies
- Soak clothes, felt-soled waders and other absorbent items in hot soapy water or 2% bleach for at least 30 minutes
- Consider switching to rubber or studded-soled waders since felt-soled waders are hard to disinfect



Alewife



Curly-leaf pondweed



Rusty crayfish



European frogbit