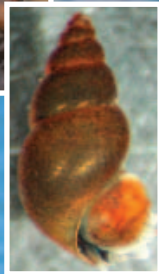


# Anglers Can Help Protect our Rivers and Streams from Invasive Species



NEW ZEALAND MUDSNAIL  
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## Four Options to Keep Your Angling Gear Free of Invaders

Keep all angling gear free of mud, plants, and organic debris in between each and every use. Unknowingly moving a species from one body of water to another, even within different stretches of the same river, can start a domino effect of invasion, causing irreversible ecological damage. It is especially important to keep waders clean.

**Anglers should scrub the bottom of boots or waders with a brush and remove all mud, plants, and organic materials in between each and every use.** Anglers should then perform **ONE** of the following options before going into the next body of water:

### OPTION 1

Submerge waders and gear in a large tub filled with a mixture of 6 ounces per gallon quaternary ammonia-based institutional cleaner (such as Super HDQ Neutral) and water for at least 10 minutes, scrubbing debris from the gear, and visually inspecting the gear for snails before rinsing. Follow all precautionary label instructions! Rinse water must be from a New Zealand mudsnail-free source (to avoid re-infection), and the chemical bath must be properly disposed of, away from the water body.

### OPTION 2

Spray or soak waders and gear with 140° Fahrenheit water for at least 10 minutes.

### OPTION 3

Dry your waders and equipment completely for a minimum of 10 days in between each use (remember that mudsnails can survive several days out of water).

### OPTION 4

Place waders and boots in a freezer overnight between use.

*Thank you for protecting Colorado's fisheries  
from the harmful impacts of invasive species!*

*For more information contact Colorado  
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