

# Protect Our Fisheries

## Keep Out Invasive Species / *Trash Unused Worms & Packaging*



Bait worms are usually packaged in live seaweed that harbors many live animals and plants. Non-native crabs, snails, and other animals and plants can hitch a ride to wherever the bait is sold. These invasives can damage the marine environment. That's bad for anglers — because it can hurt the places where game fish live and breed. Throwing out unneeded bait and its packaging with your regular garbage can go a long way toward preventing invasive species from harming fisheries in the Mid-Atlantic region.



For more information and a **free sticker**, visit:  
[www.baitwormstudy.net](http://www.baitwormstudy.net)



### Things to Do List

- Throw in the Trash**
  - Unneeded bait worms
  - Packaging materials
  - Bait containers (bags, boxes, etc.)
  
- Spread the Word**
  - Tell your friends
  - Display the sticker

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