



NORTHEAST WATER CHESTNUT WEB
WATER CHESTNUT LAWS/REGULATIONS:
MASSACHUSETTS

PREVENTION TOOLS

TOOL	*AQUATIC LIFE	*PLANTS
PREVENTION		
A. Identifying and mitigating future threats		
B. Detection		
1. Surveying		
2. Mapping invasive species locations		
3. Inspection authority		X
C. Import/Introduction/Release Requirements		
1. Import		
2. Introduction		
3. Release		
4. Prohibit selected species		X
D. Quarantines		
1. Selected species/premises/area		
2. Transportation		
3. Mandatory for selected species		
E. Education Programs		

* "Aquatic Life" includes laws and regulations addressing invasive aquatic species (animal and plant) as well as the state regulation of ballast water. "Plants" includes all invasive plants, as well as laws and regulations addressing biological control agents or the introduction of living organisms as control agents.

CREDIT: Information sources include state natural resource management agencies, Northeast Panel on Aquatic Nuisance Species and Environmental Law Institute report: *Halting the Invasion - State Tools for Invasive Species Management* (2002)