

Trash Free River

Data Form



The problems of trash in the water of the St. Lawrence River have been well documented and can be observed on a daily basis by islanders and boaters. Removing plastics and other man-made debris from the St. Lawrence River is a pressing concern and with our *Trash Free River* cleanups we hope to start an maintain an annual tradition of shoreline and River bottom cleanups removing a major source of pollution from the River.

Safety Tips:

- Always have a partner or group when participating in a cleanup.
- Please wear closed toe shoes, dress according to the weather, and bring a water bottle and sunscreen along.
- If possible please bring your own work gloves and a 5 gallon bucket for initial trash collection to help eliminate the use of single-use plastic trash bags.
- Make sure you look closely, small particles of plastic and polystyrene are just as important to get out of the river as larger trash.
- If you see something sharp and are uncomfortable with safely removing it, leave it!
- Remember to wear your Save The River Trash Free River Volunteer Shirt! If you do not have one and are doing your own cleanup, bring this data form to our office and snag a shirt while you're there!
- Take pictures and tag us! We love to see everyone helping out and having fun at our events and would love to have some images from your team and location.

Name: _____ Phone/Email: _____

Type of Environment (choose one):

- Freshwater (River/Stream/Lake)
 Inland (No Water Body Present)

Mode of Data Collection (choose one):

- Land (beach, shoreline, or inland)
 Watercraft (boat, kayak, canoe)

Site Information:

Site Name: _____

State/Province: _____ Country: _____

Have you done a cleanup at this site before? Y / N

Most Unusual Item Collected: _____

Date of Cleanup: _____

Number of Volunteers:

Adults:

Children:
(under 12)

GO PAPERLESS!
Collect & record
your data on
Clean Swell!



Please return this form to your Trash Free River Coordinator.

If you are unable to do so, please mail or email it to:
Save The River
409 Riverside Drive
Clayton, New York 13624
outreach@savetheriver.org

Trash Free River:
trashfreeriver.org
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Trash Collected

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Most Likely to Find Items	Total #	Other Items	Total #
Plastic bags		Appliances	
Plastic bottles		E-cigarettes	
Glass bottles		Foam dock pieces	
Metal cans		Strapping bands	
Plastic bottle caps		Electronic waste (batteries, etc)	
Metal bottle caps		Paper bags	
Cigarette butts		Tobacco products (cigar tips)	
Foam plates/cups		Toys	
Plastic plates/cups		Cotton swabs	
Paper plates/cups		Diapers	
Foam food containers		Gloves/maskes (PPE)	
Plastic food containers		Syringes	
Food wrappers		Tampons/applicators	
Straws/stirrers		Condoms	
Utensils		Boat rope	
Fishing line		Other plastic waste	
Balloons		Other waste (metal, paper)	
Clothing			
Footwear			
Construction materials			
Polystyrene bits (2.5 cm or less)			
Tires			
6-pack holders			
Foam packaging			

# of Trash Bags Filled	Weight of Trash Collected	Distance Cleaned	Area Cleaned
	lbs/kgs	mi/km	mi ² /km ²