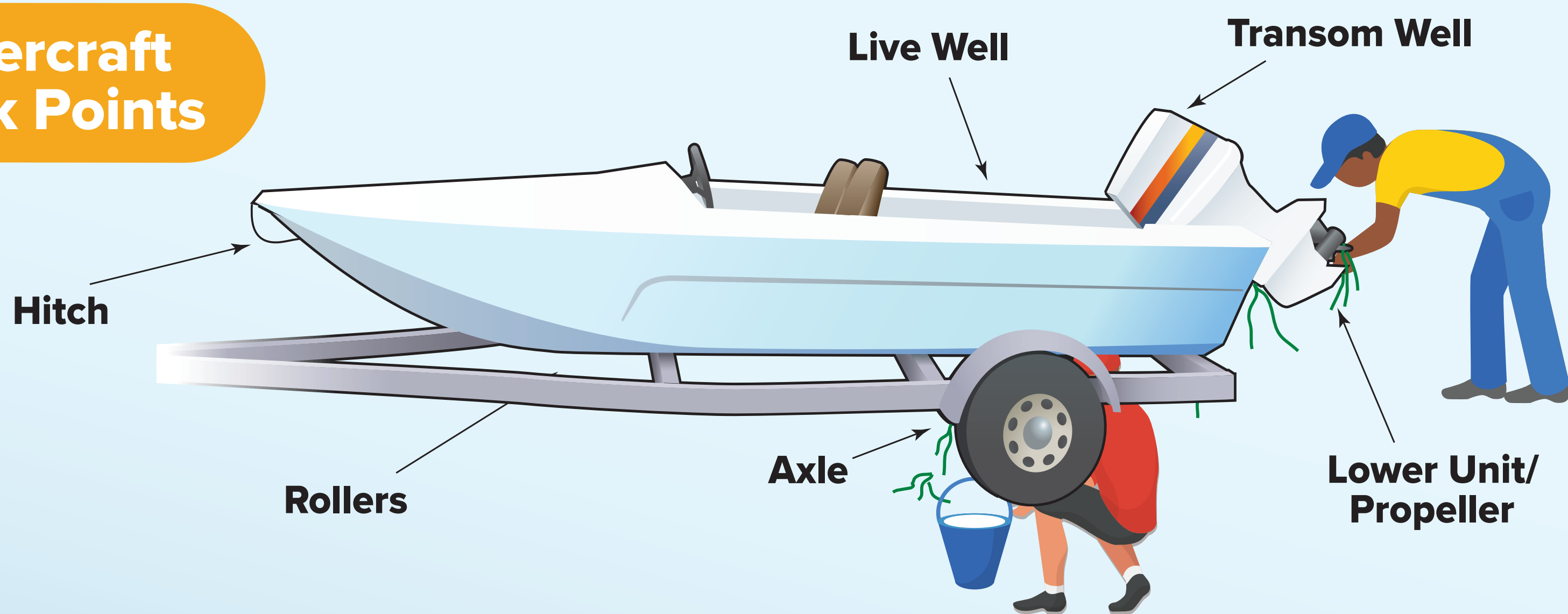


# PROTECT YOUR WATERS

Prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species

Aquatic invasive species (AIS) are plants and animals that live in the water that are not from New York and hurt our native plants, animals, and the places they live. AIS also affect us by making boating, swimming, and fishing more difficult, making our time in the water less enjoyable. Once they are here, AIS are hard to get rid of.

## Watercraft Check Points



## Clean. Drain. Dry.

### BOATING AND FISHING EQUIPMENT



**Clean** and remove all plants, animals, mud, and other items from your boat, trailer, and other equipment. Place in trash bins or AIS Disposal Stations.



**Drain** all water from the boat (bilge, live wells, ballast tank) and any other equipment that may hold water.



**Dry** boats, trailers, and all other equipment completely or let air dry for at least 5-7 days before use in another waterbody.

PLEASE DO NOT DUMP BAIT, FISH, OTHER ANIMALS, OR PLANTS INTO THE WATER!



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