## **South Carolina Clean Marina Requirements**

To apply to become a South Carolina Clean Marina/Boatyard, there are several steps required.

- 1. Request or download the pledge, checklist and guidebook. The pledge and checklist are available on the NMMA website with a link to the guidebook at DHEC's website.
- 2. Submit the pledge form as an indication that you are starting the process to become a Clean Marina facility.
- 3. Attend a Clean Marina Workshop (mandatory) with your checklist.
- 4. Submit your checklist with an application fee of \$250 payable to NMMA.
- 5. Schedule a review of your application and an on-site inspection visit by representatives of the Clean Marina Program.

## Why all these steps?

- You need all the information to start. The checklist references specific pages in the guidebook that help explain what is required.
- Submission of the pledge helps NMMA to schedule workshops in different locations and to plan for inspection tours.
- The workshops give you a chance to ask questions or for explanations as well as helping to prepare you for the on-site visit.
- This is a voluntary program. The visit is not a regulatory visit and generally will be conducted by representatives of the NMMA and existing Clean Marina operators. If we do see a violation, we will point it out to you so that you can correct it.

After the inspection, the committee will review all the information and notify you of your certification status. If the certification is awarded to you, you will receive a Clean Marina flag to fly at your facility and can use the Clean Marina logo in your advertising. A press release will be issued by NMMA and your marina or boatyard will be listed as a Clean Marina on all three websites and on any publications put out by the state agencies or NMMA concerning the Clean Marina program.

Your certification is good for five years, after which you must be recertified. NMMA will notify you when that is due. You will need to attend a workshop then submit a current checklist and an application fee of \$100.

Workshop tuition is \$55 of which \$50 will be credited against your application fee if you submit your checklist within one year of attending the workshop.