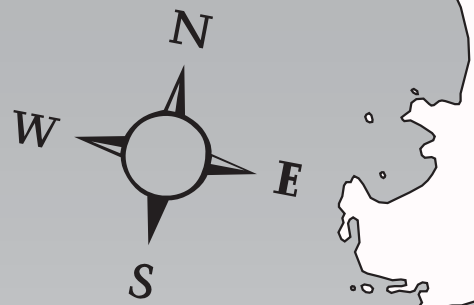


Ucluelet Harbour Map



Millstream

Why prevent pollution?

For starters it is illegal. Shellfish beds, eelgrass, kelp and river estuaries are invaluable to the ecological communities of Ucluelet Harbour. They provide habitat and food for juvenile fish, shrimp, crabs and other crustaceans, which in turn sustain several species of fish and birds and marine mammals such as river-otters, mink, harbour-seals and bears. Ucluelet Harbour communities and visitors also rely on all the above for a variety of important cultural, esthetic, social and economic reasons. Please respect these important values and use the information this brochure provides to help maintain and restore the harbour's environment for the benefit of all. This map indicates the most sensitive areas, but the entire harbour is a living ecosystem you can help to protect.

MAP KEY

- ◆ Marine Fuel Dock
- ◆ Town Site
- Sensitive Area
 - ⋯ Eelgrass & Kelp Beds
 - Ω Shellfish (closed for harvesting)
 - 🐟 Fish (Salmon)
 - ↘ Estuary
- ⚓ Public Docks
- 🏢 Harbour Manager's Office
- 🦅 Biological Survey Site (birds, clams, habitats)
- Sewage Outfall (currently used)

Recycling
Please use the Ucluelet Recycle Depot for household refuse, ie. tin cans, paper, cardboard and other recyclables. Reduce - Reuse - Recycle!

Oil disposal
Make sure an appropriate disposal/ recycling facility is at hand before changing oil and filters, or disposing of absorbents. Used oil can be taken to the Small Craft Harbour (Boat Basin) or fuel dock for disposal.

Other hazardous waste
Disposing of old batteries, paints and solvents is your responsibility. These can often be returned to retailers, check with your point of purchase for details.

Refuse and sewage
All shellfish harvesting has been closed in Ucluelet Harbour since 1972, because of high coliform counts. Sewage from marine vessels is more concentrated than household sewage and should never be discharged into the harbour.

Over 280 tons of refuse was removed from Ucluelet Harbour's beaches and inter-tidal area in 1997. DO NOT throw refuse overboard. It is illegal, harmful to the environment, and unsightly.

DO NOT use garbage bins for the disposal of used oil/fuel or containers, spill-pads and oil clotters. Waste oil and used cleanup products and oily rags should be taken to the fuel dock for recycling.

Refuel
When refueling, DO NOT rely on the automatic shut-off and NEVER leave a working fuel nozzle unattended. Spill kits should ALWAYS be close at hand when refueling.

Portable fuel cans should have a nozzle that allows the operator to control the flow. Transfer fuel before leaving the dock, or in calm seas.

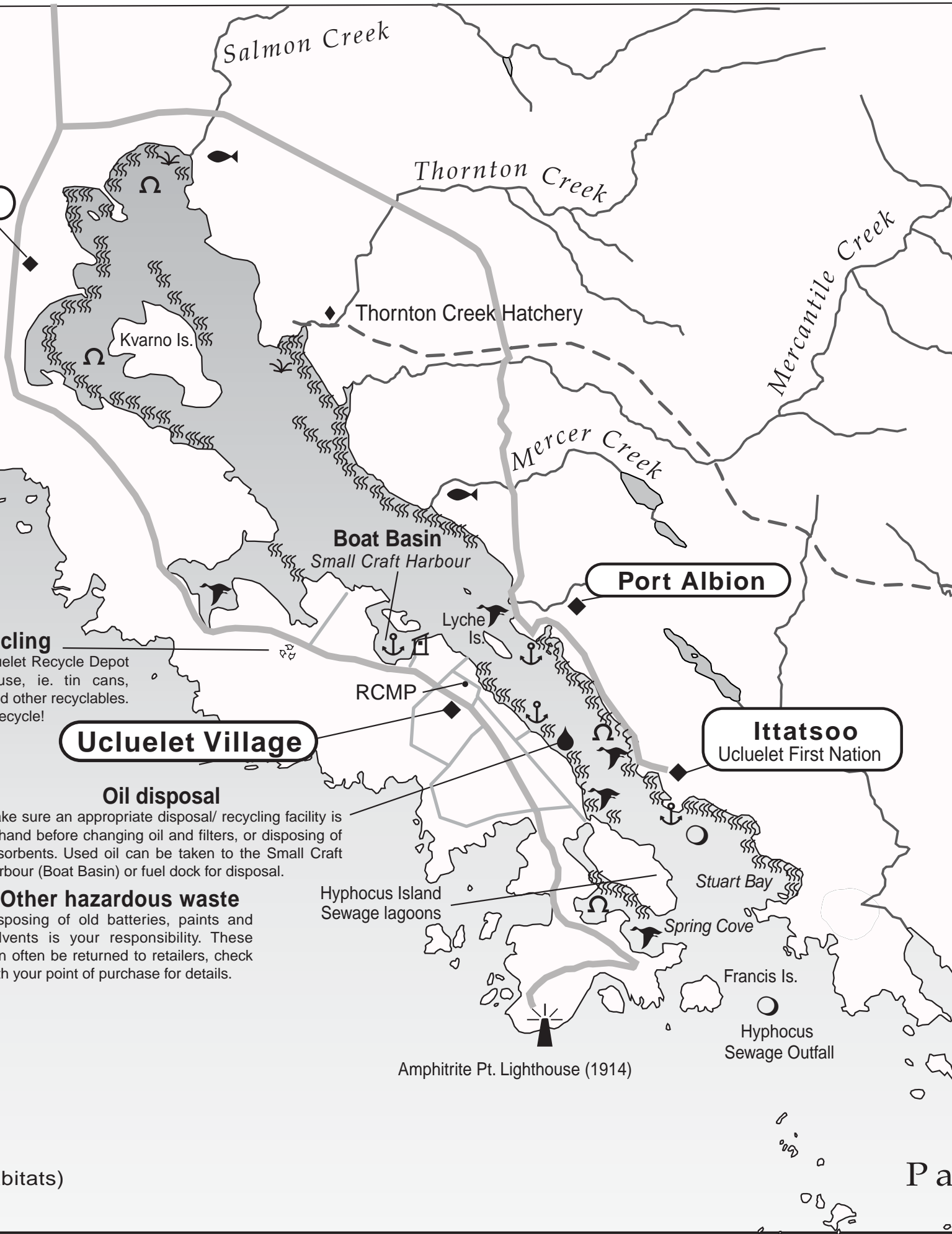
DO NOT use soap to disperse spilled fuel - it's illegal and makes a bad situation worse. If there is a threat of fire from spilled fuel, disperse it with water from a hose or bucket.

Hull maintenance
Control the hazardous waste that results when you paint, clean or maintain your boat. Lay down drop sheets around the vessel to capture spills. Hang plastic sheeting to control dust. Use "green" cleaning agents like borax and washing soda.

Speed
Slow down to minimize the impact on wildlife from your wake, speed and noise. Know about any Marine Protected Areas in your vicinity or on your intended route. Your nearest DFO office has this info.

Engines
Two-stroke engines inject up to 30% of their fuel/oil mixture directly into the water. A 70-hp two-stroke outboard is estimated to emit the same amount of hydrocarbon pollution in one hour as a new car does driving 8,000 kilometres (80 hours). Four-strokes or diesels are far more efficient and cheaper to operate.

Consider using Bio-diesel. It is better for your engine, is non-toxic, has no smell, biodegrades in a quarter the time of regular diesel, and reduces 50-90% of the most harmful emissions. A 20% blend (B20) will significantly reduce the smell of diesel exhaust and is only a little more expensive. Bio-diesel is now available at Lakeshore Store, on Sprout Lake west of Port Alberni - the first retail Bio-diesel pump in B.C.



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