# Whatcom County Vessel Turn-In Recycling Event



# Port of Bellingham Summer 2025

You will be notified of date and location after you have been pre-approved



### WHAT IS IT?

**It's a FREE Vessel Turn-In event.** If you have a vessel that is falling apart, and you don't know what to do with it, apply for this summer's Vessel Turn-In event. The program will properly dispose of your vessel with the majority of the materials being recycled.

The Vessel Turn-In Program (VTIP) is managed by DNR to help prevent boats from becoming derelict or abandoned and to keep pollution out of our marine habitat.

# WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Participation is open to anyone who is a WA resident and has proof of ownership or the legal authority to dispose of the vessel.

#### **STEPS TO PARTICIPATE:**

**1)** Fill out and notarize DNR's Vessel Turn-In <u>application</u> and **submit it by July 1, 2025** to get pre-approved.

2) Email your completed application, proof of ownership, and **photos** of your vessel to: <u>dvrp@dnr.wa.gov</u> and <u>tammy.robbins@dnr.wa.gov</u>, and include "Whatcom Vessel Turn-In Event" in the subject line.

**3) Prior approval is required for this event.** Space will be limited and filled in the order applications are received and approved.

We will accept vessels 34 feet or less in length. We cannot accept vessels 35 ft or larger for this event. However, you are still encouraged to apply to the VTIP program.

If you cannot drop off your vessel at the specified location, you are encouraged to apply and if approved, transport can be coordinated or DNR can add you to the list and coordinate alternative vessel turn in options.

## (360) 902-BOAT (2628) dvrp@dnr.wa.gov

**REGISTER TODAY!** 

Download the Vessel Turn-In Program (VTIP) application: https://www.dnr.wa.gov/publications/ aqr\_vtip\_app.pdf



Vessel Turn-In Program (VTIP) website: <u>bit.ly/3qhmG5e</u>

#### **Partners and Funding:**



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