

IF YOU OBSERVE A CYANOBACTERIA BLOOM...

**DO NOT DRINK THE WATER!
DO NOT WADE OR SWIM IN THE WATER!
KEEP PETS AND LIVESTOCK OUT OF THE WATER!**



- 1. CALL NHDES TO REPORT A SCUM: (603) 848-8094.**
2. Take a picture and estimate the area covered by the bloom.
3. Collect a sample of the scum:
 - Use a clean plastic ziplock bag or bottle.
 - Place it on ice until it can be delivered to NHDES.
 - Note the specific location where the sample was taken.
 - Wash your hands.
4. Deliver the sample to the NHDES Limnology Center in Concord.
5. A NHDES Limnologist will identify the sample and notify you with the results.
6. If the identified cyanobacteria are a species of concern, NHDES will post an advisory for the lake and/or beach, as necessary.



WHAT MIGHT CYANOBACTERIA BLOOMS LOOK LIKE?



For more information about recreational exposure to cyanobacteria, please visit:
<http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wmb/beaches/index.htm>