It is illegal for any vessel to dump plastic trash anywhere in the ocean or navigable waters of the United States. Annex V of the MARPOL TREATY is a new International Law for a cleaner, safer marine environment. Each violation of these requirements may result in civil penalty up to \$25,000, a fine up to \$50,000, and imprisonment up to 5 years.

## U.S. lakes, rivers, bays, sounds, and 3 miles from shore

**ILLEGAL TO DUMP:** 

Plastic Garbage 3 to 12 miles

Paper Metal ILLEGAL TO DUMP:

Rags Crockery Plastic

Glass Dunnage Dunnage (lining & packing

Food materials that float)

Also, if not ground to

less than one inch:

Garbage Metal

Paper Crockery

Rags Food

Glass

12 to 25 miles

ILLEGAL TO DUMP:

**Plastic** 

Dunnage (lining & packing materials

that float)

Outside 25 miles
ILLEGAL TO DUMP:
Plastic

State and local regulations may further restrict the disposal of garbage

Working together we can all make a difference!