

# MICROPLASTICS

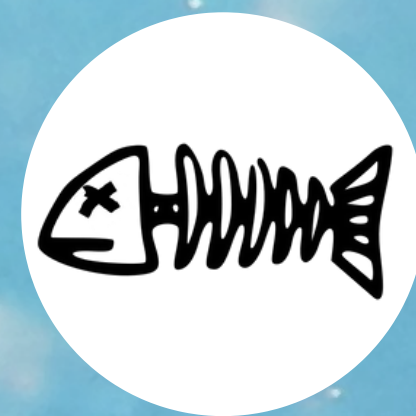
PLASTIC SMALLER THAN 5 MILLIMETERS

Plastic is very slow to disintegrate in our waterways. Over time sun, wind and wave action breaks down plastic waste into smaller and smaller pieces, known as microplastics.

80%

of marine plastic waste originates as land-based trash.

Microplastics are lethal to marine wildlife when ingested.



## YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE...



Pick up litter that you see in the street, the park and in your neighborhood and urge others to do the same.

Participate in litter cleanup events such as the Barnegat Bay Blitz (June 7-8) and World Oceans Day (June 8).



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[www.barnegatbaypartnership.org/blitz/](http://www.barnegatbaypartnership.org/blitz/)