

How to tell if you may be seeing Didymo

	YES	NO
Location	mostly clear flowing water with rocky bottom, may be attached to plants	deep silty areas with no rocks or plants, highly colored waters.
Color	tan, light brown or whitish	green or dark brown/black clear or transparent
Texture	clumps or ropy strands, rough cottony feel, fibrous	thin layers, slippery or gelatinous
Appearance	no leaves or roots (BUT may attach to leaves or stems). Sometimes mistaken for fiberglass, toilet paper or tissue.	has leaves or roots looks like an aquatic plant

If your sample matches three of the “yes” descriptions above, you may have found Didymo. We’d like to know!

Please send a dime-sized sample in small container or folded in a business card to:

Samples from Vermont

**Didymo identification, Water Quality Division
103 S. Main St., Bldg 10N, First Floor
Waterbury VT 05671-0408
(802) 241 – 3770 or 241 – 3777**

Samples from New Hampshire

**NH DES Limnology Center
29 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03301
603-271-2248 or 603-271-3414**

Be sure to include your name, address and phone or email so that we may contact you. Also, please provide a detailed description of where you found your sample: name of the river or stream, the town, and precise location (such as GPS coordinates, nearest road, or a clearly marked map).