

East Norwalk Boating and Yacht Club House Rules

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This guide is intended to provide maximum safety and convenience to all persons and boats. Your full cooperation is required. Non-compliance with this guide will result in disciplinary action by the Officers and/or Board of Directors. In the case of a hardship the Board can be petitioned to intervene.

The boating season begins on April 1, and ends on November 30

- Fueling of vessels on Club property or within the confines of the marina is a serious safety hazard and is strictly prohibited. Any Member witnessing fueling or any unsafe act within the ENBYC property has the responsibility to report it immediately to the Marina Committee, or any Board Member. No fuel cans are to be left unattended on Club property, including lockers. All containers transporting fuel must be a UL or Coast Guard approved fuel container.
- 2. The use of the club facility for taking passengers for hire (chartering) is prohibited.
- 3. All cars parked in front of the Club are to be parked on an angle. Large vehicles that impede pedestrian or vehicle traffic are not allowed to park in front of the Club. Do not hit the building when parking. Parking is at your own risk. The Club is not responsible for any damage or theft that may occur to any vehicle for any reason.
- 4. Co-Owned vessels must be reviewed and approved by the Marina Committee and Board before a slip/mooring is assigned. Under no circumstances can co-ownership be used to advance a position on any waiting list.
- 5. The Marina Committee is responsible for all assignments of dock and basin moorings. Space shall be assigned according to the applicant's position on the waiting list providing the Marina Committee deems the vessel can be safely* accommodated. The dock and the basin space assignments and the waiting list shall be posted in the Club In accordance with the By-Laws the Vice Commodore and Secretary will maintain an accurate waiting list of members entitled to docking or mooring privileges at the Club and the Marina Committee will reside over all disputes to either space assignment or the waiting list.
 - (*Safe accommodation is deemed to be the dockage of a vessel that does not impede other vessels in the marina from safely navigating in and out of their slips and navigating to and from the channel. Interpretation of safe navigation is solely the responsibility of the Marina Committee.)
- 6. Dock space shall be assigned to provide the best advantage to the Club and the safety of other vessels. No dock space is to be considered permanent.
- 7. Any member wishing to place his/her name on a boat slip/mooring waiting list must obtain an application form and file it with the Vice Commodore.
 - A member may have one slip and one mooring assignment if said mooring is available at the time of request. If a member is assigned both a slip and mooring all House Rules and By-Laws apply to both slip and mooring assignments. Vessels can not be interchanged between locations.
 - The Secretary is responsible to maintain an accurate waiting list. The member who is on the waiting list has the responsibility to check it periodically to make sure his/her position and vessel information is correctly listed. A change in vessel requires the member to notify the Vice Commodore.



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- 8. Before procurement of a replacement boat, a member must contact the Marina Committee and inform them of the overall dimensions to ensure the boat can be accommodated. The approval of safely accommodating a replacement vessel is solely at the discretion of the Marina Committee. The registered footage must be within the house rule guidelines. A request for a different vessel, regardless to size, is not a guarantee that it can be accommodated safely within the marina. This determination is at the sole discretion of the Marina Committee.
 - When prior to a boating season, a request for a replacement vessel over the prior year vessel is requested, this request will take priority over names on the existing Main Float waiting list when determining if the replacement vessel can be safely accommodated. This request must take place prior to the end of the February meeting and be in writing to the Vice Commodore who will communicate the request to the Marina Committee.
- 9. All boats must remain in the marina for a minimum of 60 days. Members who do not keep their boats at ENBYC for the minimum period will be required to submit a valid reason to the Marina Committee. Failure to submit sufficient reason for non-use of slip or mooring may result in loss of slip or mooring. A member may lease their slip in accordance to House Rule #13 below. A review of a member's reason of non-use and action taken will be determined by the Marina Committee and Board of Directors. Recording of days used shall be the responsibility of the Marina Committee and Vice Commodore.
- 10. There will be no vessel allowed in the Marina for dockage with a linear registered length greater then 22.5 feet except for the following exceptions:
 - a. The minimum footage for the North Float, North side is a registered length of 23.7 feet. A boat of at least 23.7 feet must be docked at all times; smaller vessels can not be docked on the North Float North Side with the exception of House Rule #15.
 - b. Slips S1, M13 are allowed to accommodate a maximum footage of 23.8 registered length. Slip S-11 is allowed to accommodate a maximum footage of 27 feet length overall (LOA) with outboard(s) in the up position.
 - c. Vessels will be billed by registered length, boats under 16' will be billed the minimum billing of 16'. Length will be round up or down based on inches. The round up will occur at seven (7) inches, e.g. 19' 7" and above will be billed for 20', 19' 6" and below will be billed for 19'.
 - d. Current vessels at the Marina that exceed the above guidelines are considered Grandfathered. The request to replace your current vessel with a different vessel will void this Grandfather clause.
 - e. Slip S10 is allowed to accommodate a maximum footage of 25 foot length.
- 11. Assigned slips or basin moorings may not be loaned to another member without approval of the Vice Commodore.
- 12. If no current member requests a mooring, applicants on the membership waiting list may be assigned a mooring on a year to year basis. Applicants and members must follow all Club Bylaws and House Rules. Applicants are allowed access to the assigned mooring through the Club. Applicants cannot attend meetings, do not have voting privileges but can attend functions when accompanied as a guest by a member in good standing. Applicant must provide to the Vice Commodore proof they have paid the mooring/registration fee to the City of Norwalk, a copy of their valid registration for the current year, summer licensing agreement and proof of insurance. Applicants are not allowed to lease or otherwise occupy a slip.
- 13. Any vessel docked or moored on the line at the ENBYC must be registered in the name of the member/applicant to who said space is assigned. All members/applicants prior to docking (members) or mooring (members/applicants) a vessel at the Club must submit a copy of their valid registration for the current year, summer licensing agreement and proof of insurance. Those members/applicants on a mooring must also show proof they have paid the mooring/registration fee to the City of Norwalk. Documentation must be provided to the Vice Commodore prior to placing a vessel in the marina. Member's boats will be removed immediately from the Club premises at the owner's expense if documentation is not received. At the Board's discretion a member may place a newly acquired vessel in the marina if said vessel is currently registered. The member must submit proof of purchase, insurance documentation and summer

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license agreement. The member must register the vessel as soon as possible and update the Marina Committee of the appointment date after which they must supply the updated registration.

- 14. The mooring tackle, used in a basin mooring, is the responsibility of the ENBYC. All other responsibilities are to be assumed by the boat owner.
 - a. Mooring lines must be of equal or greater strength than those of nylon for the following categories of boats:

Boats up to 17': 3/8" nylon line Boats 18' to 27': 1/2' nylon line Boats 28' to 37': 5/8' nylon line Boats 37' and up: 3/4' nylon line

- 15. Any member on a line mooring can request to occupy a current slip holder's vacant slip with the approval of the slip holder and Vice Commodore. Occupancy without approval will result in one written warning on first offence, and further disciplinary action by board of directors for repeat offences.
- 16. North float boat lengths will be limited to a minimum of 23.7 feet and a maximum of 34 feet in length. Beam is subject to piling spacing. When a member is initially assigned a North Float north side slip, if said member is unable to place the appropriate size boat in his/her assigned slip, the member may temporarily place a smaller boat in said slip during the first year that the North Float north side slip was assigned. A vessel of the minimum required length for the North Float north side must be placed in said slip by June 1st of the following year or the member will forfeit the slip. If the member was assigned a slip in the ENBYC marina prior to the assignment to the larger slip, the member has no right to his/her former slip. The slip fee for a temporarily placed boat will be commensurate with the length of the boat. The minimum fee for a North Float slip is based on a 24 foot boat. For the remainder of the marina the minimum slip fee is based on a 16 foot boat or registered length whichever is greater.
- 17. Refusal of a slip when available will move the member's name to the bottom of the list. Upon notification of a slip vacancy, the member will have up to one week to respond if he/she will be accepting a slip. The Vice Commodore will make every effort to contact the member (email, telephone). After ten days if contact cannot be established, that member will be placed to the bottom of the waiting list and the next member on the list will be contacted. It is the member's responsibility to see to it that the Vice Commodore has current contact information. (phone numbers, email and physical street address).
- 18. Members who lease their slip/mooring to another member or who choose not to place a vessel in their assigned space will have until June 1 of the following year to place a boat, registered in their name in said assigned space.
- 19. Members will be billed on registered length of their vessel. If the member does not have a vessel they will be billed the maximum footage the slip can occupy unless they are leasing their slip (see below for guidelines).
 - New slip holders who do not own a boat, but plan on buying one in the current year will be billed at the
 maximum allowable footage for the slip. A credit will be applied to next seasons slip fee if required.
 - New Slip holders who do not plan on placing a boat into the slip and sub-lease the slip for the season:
 - o The slip holder will be billed the maximum allowable footage for the slip.
 - The Marina Committee is responsible to determine if the vessel which will occupy the slip is suitable to do so without impairing navigation within the marina and has the sole authority to approve or deny the leasing of the slip.
- 20. Each boat must have adequate fenders and be secured to the dock with a minimum of 3/8" line in sound condition. All vessels on the North Float must be secured with a minimum of $\frac{1}{2}$ " line in sound condition. All

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- vessels must have a minimum of two fenders boat side and two fenders dockside. All boats must have appropriate spring lines.
- 21. All portable equipment (such as battery chargers, pumps, etc.) utilizing dock power shall be properly wired and will not be left unattended. Cables supplying the power shall be properly installed so as not to create any hazards. In special circumstances, such as emergencies, the equipment may be left unattended upon the approval of the Commodore or Vice Commodore.
- 22. No open flames are permitted at slips or on docks. Use of approved cooking stoves is permitted when on board vessels.
- 23. A maximum time limit of 30 minutes shall be allowed when tied to the main float. The members must remain with the boat.
- 24. Continued neglect of your boat may result in loss of your dock space. Do not depend upon others to care for your boat.
- 25. All boats, docking lines, hoses and electrical cables must be removed from the Club docks no later than the 30th of November unless otherwise specified by the Vice Commodore.
- 26. Member's children less than 16 years of age must be accompanied by either their parent/guardian or a member in good standing when using the Club. Members children, 16 years and older, may access the Club as long as the Member has a family membership.
- 27. All children under 10 years of age must wear life jackets when on the Club premises.
- 28. All members and their guests must wear appropriate footwear on the docks.
- 29. All members must take their garbage home. Trash cans at the Club are for Club use only. No bait can be left inside the club or refrigerator/freezer.
- 30. A member may loan his membership card (for identification) to authorized adult personnel to enter the Club for the purpose of working on the member's boat. The member loaning the card is responsible for the person's actions.
- 31. A member assigned a slip or mooring for a partial season will be charged a fee according to this prorated schedule. The Vice Commodore will assign the slip or mooring start date. Start dates from the beginning of the season thru June 30 is the full rate. July 1 thru August 31 is 66% of the full rate. September 1st, thru the remainder of the season is 33% of the full rate.
- 32. There shall be no protruding objects from a boat impeding the safe passage of Club members on the fingers or docks. Docking lines, water hoses or shore power lines left on the docks must be left in a non-hazardous manner.
- 33. If a member has a boat on the North float and wants to down size to a boat that will fit in the Main float, he/she will be assigned the next available Main float slip.
- 34. Dockage is for ENBYC members only. There will be no transient docking permitted at the ENBYC. In case of emergency notify the Commodore or Vice Commodore.



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- 35. Life Member status will be awarded to those members who have been in good standing with the Club for a minimum of 30 consecutive years. Said member will have volunteered for work assignments and have attended meetings on a regular basis. All Life Member awards will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Nomination for a member to gain Life Member status will be made by the Board of Directors and voted on at a regular monthly meeting, a simple majority vote of the members in attendance will determine if Life Member status is granted. Life members are not required to pay dues or assessments but must pay for slip/mooring, locker fees and Family Membership fees. Life Members are entitled to all privileges of the Club, including voting and holding office. Life Members will not be counted on the Active Member list.
- 36. All dogs must be on a leash and curbed when on Club property. Dogs are not permitted in the Club room.
- 37. Cleaning of fish will be permitted only in the fish cleaning area. No fish carcasses are to be discarded into the water. Fish are to be taken off Club property.
- 38. Members and or guests may not alter, change or deface Club property. Fines and/or penalties will be determined by the Board.
- 39. When all members join the ENBYC membership ranks, all agree to fulfill their financial obligations. That support is critical to maintaining the financial health of the ENBYC Club. For this reason it is required that all Club dues and fees are final and not refundable. A member in good standing can still appeal to the board of directors for special circumstances. New members joining the ranks during the season will get 45 days from their anniversary date to pay their dues in full.