

The Moorings Boat Owners Club Rules

The Moorings Boat Owners Club (MBOC) Rules are established for the boating enjoyment of all the members of The Moorings Boat Owners Club. Boat and PWC members are expected to comply with and encourage safe and courteous boating practices.

1. MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

1.1 As a minimum, all craft will comply with Coast Guard, Army Corps of Engineers and state regulations concerning life preservers, fire extinguishers, **navigation lighting** and other safety provisions. Safety and training programs are strongly encouraged for all members. An annual United States Coast Guard Auxiliary or US Power Squadrons Vessel Safety Check of all boats is strongly encouraged for all members.

1.2 All boats moored at the MBOC docks must carry liability insurance on the vessel. Proof of insurance is required at time of membership application.

1.3 Any boat berthed in the MBOC Dock is the responsibility of the individual owner(s). Members are expected to provide and maintain adequate dock lines and equipment in good working order to prevent damage to docks, piers and other boats. Dock lines shall be 3/8" nylon or equivalent as a minimum and shall be used in sufficient numbers as to secure the boat. PWC's on floating docks will be secured in a manner that will preclude them from being dislocated and causing a hazard.

1.4 If an emergency (extreme water level changes, breakdowns of bilge pumps, leaks or similar situations) occurs during a member's absence, the MBOC Chairman, member or designee is authorized to take emergency action. In no event will the MBOC Chairman, member or designee be held responsible for any consequences resulting from such emergency action taken or the lack of such action.

1.5 Modifications to docks, floats, hardware, anchors, bulkheads, plumbing or electrical circuitry will not be made without prior written approval of the MBOC Board. No structural covers will be allowed to be attached to the MBOC docks. Any modifications allowed by the MBOC Board shall be properly maintained by the owner and subject to continuous review. If not properly maintained modifications may be subject to immediate removal.

1.6 Each member will keep his/her assigned slip area clean. Cans, bottles and other items of trash shall be properly disposed of. Debris and trash will not be thrown overboard. No sewage, oil, or other pollutants shall be discharged from a vessel while moored or placed in the grounds trash containers. It is the member's responsibility to remove hazardous

materials and pollutants from the MBOC dock area and dispose of them at a proper collection center or recycling facility.

1.7 Toilets (heads) and holding tanks shall not be flushed or pumped out at the MBOC dock, nor will portable heads be emptied into the lake.

1.8 All slip holders are expected to actively cooperate in removing debris and other flotsam from MBOC dock waters.

1.9 Any craft deemed unseaworthy by the MBOC Chairman will be required to pass a suitable inspection. Non-compliance or inspection failure will result in immediate removal and possible membership cancellation. Mechanical condition and appearance of all boats shall reflect the general standards of the Moorings (i.e. no torn covers, ripped sails, damaged rigging or other unsightly attributes).

1.10 No open fires (e.g. grills, fireworks), or storage of flammable liquids will be allowed on the docks or gangways or aboard any boat while berthed in a slip. Boats reasonably equipped with marine cooking grills, stoves or permanently installed marine generators will be permitted to operate these devices, but must not be left unattended.

1.11 Members not complying with MBOC Dock rules will be considered for suspension or termination of membership.

2. USE OF SLIPS

2.1 The MBOC Chairman's permission is required prior to lending an assigned slip to another member or homeowner. Slips may not be used by another member or homeowner for more than 7 days. Members may not sublet or lease their assigned slips. Non-homeowners are not allowed to use a slip under any but emergency circumstances.

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2.3 If an emergency situation requires docking an ineligible distressed vessel at the MBOC Dock, the person responsible shall notify a member of the MBOC Board immediately and shall make every effort to salvage or repair the craft and get underway without delay. If a disabled craft is not removed after 48 hours, action will be taken to have it removed at the owner's expense.

2.4 Every member will be responsible for the judicious use of water and electrical service provided at the MBOC Dock. Members are discouraged from running air conditioners, and heaters while absent from the MBOC Dock for extended periods of time. Portable electric space heaters and open-flame heaters pose a dangerous fire hazard, and should never be left to run unattended inside a boat.

3. BOATING OPERATIONS

3.1 A no-wake zone that includes the entire MBOC Dock, and extends out 150 feet from the dock governs vessel operation. In the no wake zone, no vessel may exceed its no-wake speed, defined as the slowest possible speed required for that particular vessel to maintain steerage and headway. The intent of the no-wake zone is to ensure that boat wakes do not cause dangerous conditions in the MBOC Dock, and do not create the potential for damage to docks, lifts, boats or their contents. If a member or his/her guest violates the no-wake zone, the member may be subject to loss of membership and will be held responsible for any property damage.

3.2 The MBOC Dock is for the exclusive use of members. Guest usage will be allowed but docking privileges may not be extended except as noted in 2.1 above. Children under 12 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

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4. FUELING OPERATIONS

4.1 When fueling operations are underway, the following safety rules must be strictly adhered to in the area near the MBOC dock:

- a. There shall be no smoking or igniting matches or lighters.
- b. All engines, motors, fans and electronics shall be turned off.
- c. All galley appliances and lights shall be turned off.
- d. All members and guests must disembark the vessel while fueling.
- e. All ports, windows, hatches and doors shall be closed.
- f. The person operating the fuel pump shall keep a firm grip on the filling nozzle, and shall ensure that the nozzle is properly grounded to the filler deck fitting or fuel container.
- g. Fuel overflows should be avoided. Overflows shall be washed down with water.
- h. After fueling, operators will open the engine and fuel tank compartments, sniff for fumes, activate blowers and ventilate the bilges for at least five minutes prior to starting engine(s).

5. MBOC BOAT SLIP ASSIGNMENTS

5.1 The MBOC Board will be responsible for the safe operation and maintenance of the MBOC Dock, the processing of membership applications, and the assignment of slips. The MBOC Board will not be held liable for failure to take any such action, nor will the MHOA be held liable for consequences resulting from any such action taken.

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5.3 Every effort will be made to accommodate the needs of different types of boats, boat lifts and/or mooring equipment. For this reason, requests for slip changes will be considered when possible, but are in no way guaranteed.

5.4 MBOC Dock slips may not be used for the long-term storage of hulks or inoperable boats. The MBOC Dock Chairman has the authority to remove such boats from the MBOC Dock and to terminate the membership. The MBOC Dock Chairman may bill the boat owner for removal and storage fees.

6. MBOC LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH MHOA

6.1 Members must be familiar and comply with the terms and conditions of the September 2005 License Agreement between MBOC and MHOA, as amended July 2013.

7. MBOC BYLAWS

7.1 Members must be familiar and comply with the MBOC Bylaws.