

DOCK RULES & REGULATIONS

I. Rules for your Boat and Slip

A. Leaving Marina for overnight or week long trips: Please advise SYC Dockmaster when you are going on overnight or long trips. SYC has the right to rent your slip on an overnight basis while you are gone.

B. Tying and Care for your boat: We cannot be responsible for improperly tied boats. You are responsible for any boats damaged through your negligence.

C. Heads: Boats with heads must meet state requirements for a self-contained marine toilets. SYC does not offer pump-out services. Porta-potti type heads must be disposed of in a proper manner.

D. Heaters: No heaters or air conditioners are to be left running when your boat is unoccupied. If left on, SYC has the right to turn them off.

E. Clotheslines: Clotheslines are not allowed on boats or anywhere on the premises.

F. Alterations to docks: Alterations to docks or any Club property cannot be made without permission from SYC.

G. SYC has the right to board and operate any boat in case of emergency.

H. Insurance: Maintain your own boat insurance. SYC is not responsible for any damages to your boat due to bad weather or caused by negligence of others.

I. B-C-D-E slips do not have mooring poles between boats. Neighboring boats should be allowed to tie off each others' sterns or a spring line can be placed from the stern to the main pier cleat.

J. Ladders: SYC has established a standard for ladders. Approval to mount a ladder must be obtained from the SYC Dockmaster. The aluminum ladders can be purchased from SYC at cost.

K. Fenders on Poles: SYC has established a standard for vertical rub rail fenders on the vertical 6x6 posts. You can purchase the fender material from the SYC Dockmaster.

II. Rules for the Docks

A. Mooring lines: Mooring lines should not lay across docks. Keep them out of the way of walking traffic.

B. Water Hose: Do not leave hoses on the docks. Keep them out of the

way of walking traffic. Do not leave hose turned on when you are gone.

C. Painting: Protect all parts of the piers and pilings as well as your neighbor's boat. Do not paint or clean brushes on the docks.

D. Litter or Garbage: Grills and waste containers are not allowed on the docks. You are responsible for your own garbage and you should place it in the proper garbage containers.

**E. Dinghies: Storage of dinghies and inflatables are not allowed on piers.

F. Oil: Do not discard oil or dirty bilge water overboard.

G. Pets: Please be responsible for your pets. Keep them on a leash and clean up after them. **No animals are allowed in the Clubhouse.

H. Swimming: No swimming or diving is allowed off the dock area.

I. Dock boxes: Dock boxes are currently not allowed on the docks but a study by the Dock Committee will determine future use and installation of approved dock boxes.

J. Lifts: Power or manual lifts for the boats are not allowed in the slips without permission from SYC.

K. Maintenance: Report to the SYC Dockmaster if your dock needs repair or any type of maintenance.

III. Special Conditions

A. Music: Please be courteous and play music at a low volume. The use of loud external speakers is prohibited, day or night.

B. Guests: You are responsible for your guests and their actions. Please advise them of our rules and regulations.

C. Fireworks: All fireworks and sparklers are prohibited on docks and club grounds.

D. Children: Small children and those that cannot swim should be wearing life preservers when on the docks. Do not leave them unattended.

E. Parking: Extended trailer parking must be approved by the SYC Dockmaster. Day launch trailers should not be left on the premises overnight. Parking is not allowed in the No Parking Zones by order of the Fire Department or on the launch ramp access drive.

F. Main Bathrooms: Please do not use bathrooms for washing your brushes or cleaning up after bottom painting or teaking your boat.

IV. Assignment of Slips

The basic objectives in the assignment of slips are safety and equity. The Saugatuck Yacht Club is not a commercial marina. The slips are for the use of active members and their families. Assignment of slips shall be made according to the following rules:

A. All boats shall be assigned a slip based upon the length and draft of the boat and upon an established order of priority.

B. Slips will be assigned in a manner that matches slip size to boat size.

Larger boats will be assigned A & B slips. C, D & E slips will be reserved for smaller boats. Redefined as:

Boats must fit within the following maximum slip size cube. Note Maximum Length is measured bowsprit to raised prop, or whatever is maximum.

Slip	Maximum Length	Beam	Draft
A	40	13	8
B	27	11	6
C	23	8	5
D	18	6.5	4

C. The assignment of slips shall be made by the Commodore.

D. Approval of assignments shall be made each fall and reviewed by the Commodore together with the Board of Directors. Any changes in slip assignments must be approved by a vote of the Board.

E. If any proposed change in slip assignment is not approved by the Board, the Commodore will revise the plan and submit the revised plan to the Board within a reasonable period of time.

F. Assignment of slips shall be made with consideration of the following conditions:

1. The boat owner must be an adult club member in good standing for the previous calendar year.

2. The boat must be able to fit safely into the appropriate slip.

Boats that extend further than 10% of the length of their slip causing a safety hazard must be relocated or removed, unless an exception is granted by the Board of Directors

3. All assignments of slips shall be permanent under this plan. Any changes will be made by the Commodore and approved by the Board of Directors as described in this document.

4. If a member retires from the club or otherwise gives up his or her slip, the slip reverts to the Commodore's pool for reassignment. Slip assignment extends to but not beyond Joint Tenants in Common; only a surviving spouse retains a slip assignment.

5. A member in good standing cannot sublease their slip.

6. A member in good standing shall not let any one use their slip without the Commodore or Board's approval.

7. A member in good standing who is unable or does not intend to use their slip for Summer season shall advise the Commodore of that fact no later than January 1.

8. If a member in good standing pays for, but fails to use their slip for two consecutive Summer seasons, the slip assignment will be reviewed by the Commodore with the intention of putting the slip back into the pool of available slips.

9. If an assigned slip is unoccupied by July 1, the Commodore shall investigate and take necessary action to see that a member in good standing has use of the slip for the remainder of the season.

V. Slip Relocation

A. Boats may be relocated to another slip provided that length and draft of the boat is appropriate for the new slip and that the established order of priority has been followed.

B. Reassignment may be made by the Commodore with approval of the Board of Directors in accordance with these rules.

C. Any change in assignment may be accompanied by a reduction or increase in fee for the year.

VI. Priority Lists

There shall be two priority lists posted at all times in the Club: “Reassignment of Slips” and “Applications for Slips.” A. Members who already have an assigned slip but who want a different slip may apply for reassignment of slip by notifying the Commodore.

1. If no slip is available for reassignment, the member’s name will be entered on the “Reassignment of Slip” list. 2. If a slip is available for reassignment, the member whose name is at the top of the list will be notified of the availability.

3. If the member and his boat meet the qualifications, he will be assigned the slip according to these rules.

4. If the available slip is inappropriate for the member’s boat, the member must step aside for the next qualified member on the list. In such circumstances, the member will not lose his place on the priority list.

5. The Commodore must notify all members listed on the “Reassignment of Slip” list of any available openings, before notifying members whose names appear on the “Application for Slips” list.

B. Adult members in good standing for the previous year may apply for a slip by filling out the slip application form available on the Club website and delivering it to the Commodore.

1. If no slip is available, the member’s name will be entered on the slip wait list.

2. If a slip is available, the member whose name is at the top of the list will be notified of the availability.

3. If the member and his boat meet the qualifications, he or she will be assigned a slip according to these rules.

4. If the available slip is inappropriate for the member’s boat, the member must step aside for the next qualified member on the list. In such circumstances, the member will not lose his place on the priority list.

5. If the available slip is appropriate for the member’s boat, the member must accept assignment of the slip or lose his or her place on the priority list.

VII. Fees

A. Fees shall be established by the Board of Directors at the fall meeting preceding the season for which slips are assigned.

B. A deposit of 50% must be received prior to January 1, in order to retain the assigned slip for the following season. It is the responsibility of the member to make the deposit. Failure to submit the deposit on time could result in the member losing the slip assignment.

C. The balance of the slip fee must be paid by March 1. Failure to submit the balance due by March 1, will result in the member losing the slip assignment.

D. Cancellations will forfeit any fees paid.

B. A deposit of 50% of the annual slip fee must be received prior to January 1, in order to retain an assigned slip for the following season. It is the responsibility of the member to make the deposit. Failure to submit the deposit on time will result in the member losing the slip assignment.

C. The balance due will be billed in conjunction with the annual membership and shore storage fees. Failure to submit the balance due within 60 days of the invoice date will result in the member losing the slip assignment.

D. Cancellations will forfeit any fees paid.

VIII. Rules for Shore Storage

Shore storage facilities are for the use of active members in good standing of the Saugatuck Yacht Club and are solely for boats and their associated equipment. Shore storage must be approved by the SYC Dockmaster. Shore storage use and fees shall be according to the following rules:

A. All boats, trailers, and associated equipment must be identified with the member's full name. This identification shall be clearly legible and include the member's first and last name applied on the transom or stern of the boat and on clearly visible areas of other equipment.

B. Any trailer, cradle, boat or storage box without identification will be considered to be abandoned and will be disposed of according to the laws of the State of Michigan.

C. No motors may be stored indoors at any time.

D. SYC is not responsible for boats and boating equipment left on the

premises.

IX. Summer Shore Storage

Storage of trailers, cradles and other related boat equipment on Club property is reserved only for members using Club launch facilities from Memorial Day to Labor Day under the following provisions:

A. Members may use the Club facilities to launch trailerable boats for day use but, because of limited space, may not leave a trailer, either loaded or unloaded, on Club property overnight.

B. Members who use Club launch facilities for day use must store their trailers in the approved trailer storage areas adjacent to the north end of the tennis court, east side.

C. Members who use Club launch facilities shall not launch when students from the Saugatuck Yacht Club Sailing Program are launching or returning to the dinghy dock.

D. Summer shore storage fees for dinghies, kayaks, canoes and rowing skiffs shall be \$100 per boat for the period. Summer shore storage fees for stand---up paddleboards shall be \$50. Students with their own boats who are actively sailing with the Saugatuck Yacht Club Sailing Program shall not be assessed a fee for summer storage.

X. Winter Shore Storage

A. Winter shore storage fees from Labor Day to Memorial Day for loaded trailers and cradles shall be \$500 for the first 20 feet of overall boat length plus \$25 for each additional 5 feet or fraction thereof. Winter shore storage fees for stand---up paddleboards shall be \$250.

B. The Clubhouse is not available for the storage of member gear and equipment. No motors, engines, or fuel containers may be stored at any time.

C. Any trailer, cradle or boat without identification will be considered to be abandoned and will be disposed of according to the laws of the State of Michigan.

XI. Amendments to these Rules

Amendments to these rules may be made only by vote of the Board of Directors.