

Town of Clayton
TRANSIENT DOCK RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. WATER LINES. Water lines, cable or power lines shall not cross main head walk. Water accessories must be approved by the Dock Master. If not stored aboard owner's boat, water hoses may be coiled and placed on the hook provided on the electrical pedestal. Hoses must be disconnected from the dockside connection and the vessel at all times when not actively being used. Automatic shut off nozzles must be attached to hoses in order to conserve water. Water may not be available during early or late season at the discretion of the Dock Master, as weather conditions and temperatures dictate.

2. FISHING/ SWIMMING. Fishing and swimming from docks shall not be permitted.

3. BICYCLES/SKATES, ETC. No person shall roller skate, roller blade, skateboard, ride bicycles, motor scooters or such on docks or gangways.

4. PROJECTIONS BEYOND END OF BERTH. The maximum distance by which any boat (including aft extensions such as swim steps, engine parts, swim platforms, transom extensions, bow sprits, booms, or yardarms, etc.) may project beyond the end of the berth into the waterway, unless otherwise authorized by the Dock Master in writing, shall be 3 feet. No part of the boat shall extend over the main head walk.

5. ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS. All connections made to Dock receptacles shall be U.L. approved weatherproof, three wires, grounded type. Wiring must be of adequate size for the power provided and connected to an onboard power distribution panel with breakers and/or fuses in good working order. Cords must not be affixed to the docks and moved to the edge of walkways. Heaters are strictly prohibited for use while unattended. All electrical cords or panels found in violation will be unplugged or cut by the Dock Master and removed with no compensation given for any damaged cords. Modification of dock electric equipment and supply is prohibited. No non-boat loads are permitted without a suitable adapter cord with GFCI and 15A breaker. Multiple power connections may be permitted by the Dock Master as outlets are available.

5A. **WATER CONNECTIONS.** Dock-side water service is delivered through a 5/8" thread-on connection. Water shall be used efficiently as needed and not wasted.

5B. **SEWER CONNECTIONS.** Pump out facilities are provided only on the wave attenuator platform for a small fee. Owners shall operate all equipment and return equipment to original locations when complete.

6. CHILDREN. Children under 12 years are not permitted on docks without the immediate presence of their parents, or other responsible adults. Children under 12 years are required to wear a life jacket when on the docks. Children under 18 must have adult supervision while on the docks. Minors, under 18 years of age, are not eligible to rent dock space.

7. NOTIFICATION OF UNSAFE CONDITIONS. Tenants shall promptly notify Dock Master of any unsafe or hazardous conditions that comes to their attention.

8. HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES.

8A. BARBECUES. All high-risk fire hazards, i.e., refueling boats at dock side, strong flammable materials on decks, etc. is strictly prohibited. Barbecues or any open flames for cooking are strictly prohibited on all the dock areas. Use of charcoal barbecues is not allowed on boats. Any condition

aboard or around the boat that is deemed a fire hazard in the opinion of the Dock Master, shall be removed immediately.

8B. ALCOHOL. The consumption of alcoholic beverages on docks is not allowed.

9. DISCHARGES FROM BOATS/DISPOSAL OF LIQUIDS. No tenant shall throw, discharge or deposit from any boat any solid refuse, oil, spirits, flammable liquids, oily bilges, gray water, or septic tank contents into the water. Boats with automatic bilge pumps shall be maintained in such a manner as to prevent the discharge of contaminants overboard. In the event of a spill, the boat owner is required to clean it immediately, and if necessary, retain the services of a professional pollution response company.

10. LAUNDRY. There shall be no laundering or drying of wearing apparel or towels on dock or rigging at the docks. Washer and dryer are available at the restroom facilities near the Dock Master's office. The boater shall supply any commercially-available soap needed for laundry.

11. NOISE AND CONDUCT. Owner shall not make or allow any disturbing noises on the docks or anywhere on the premises, including excessive noise from radios, sirens, noisemakers, musical instruments, fireworks or otherwise, with particular emphasis between the hours of 10:00pm and 7:00am, either by owner or his/her family or guests, nor shall owner permit such persons to engage in any conduct which interfere with the rights, comforts or convenience of others. The activities and conduct of the owner and/or owner's family while on dock property must be reasonable at all times. Owner assumes full responsibility for his/her guests' conduct and agrees to be held jointly and severally liable for all consequences of his/her guests actions or misconduct. Amplification of music is not permitted.

12. ENGINE OPERATION. Engines may not be in gear while boats are secured to dock. Unnecessary operation of engines in the slip shall not be permitted.

13. SPEED LIMIT. The speed limit within the dock system is limited to steerageway only, with no wakes and not greater than 5 knots.

14. IMPROPER VESSEL HANDLING. Improper or unsafe boat handling shall be just cause for immediate termination of stay.

15. USE OF DOCKS. The use of docks/fingers to store supplies, materials, accessories, kayaks, dinghies, water toys or gear (except boarding steps) of any kind shall not be permitted.

16. BOARDING STEPS. Anything left on docks or other areas on the dock property pose potential hazards to all on the premises. The safety of those on Dock property is a matter of paramount importance. Therefore, apart from approved boarding steps, nothing may be left on the docks or other places located on dock premises. Boat owners may not install additional rub rails, carpeting, patio furniture, rollers or in any way make alterations to the dock and fingers.

17. VESSEL REPAIR. Apart from work accomplished wholly below decks, no rebuilding, hull painting, sander use, spray gun use, overhauls or other refurbishment efforts are permitted.

18. DAMAGE TO DOCK PROPERTY. Each tenant will be held responsible for any damages to the dock premises and/or structures (including docks, ramps, electrical pedestals and/or utilities) caused by tenant, his guests, agents and/or employees.

19. REPAIR OF DAMAGES CAUSED BY OWNER. Such damages will be repaired or corrected solely by Town at the expense of the tenant.

20. OFFENSIVE OR HARMFUL CONDUCT. Disorder, depredations or indecorous conduct by tenant or his/her visitors that might injure a person, disturb other berth tenants, cause damage to the property or harm the reputation of the Dock shall be just cause for immediate termination of tenants stay at said Docks.

21. SOLICITATIONS. No posting or distributing of advertising matter or the oral advertising for sale of any merchandise, article, service, ware or other thing of value, or soliciting in connection with the sale of the same on dock. Advertising space is available near Dock Master Office.

22. POSTING OF SIGNS. Advertising signs, for sale signs or notices are prohibited aboard any boat at the Dock.

23. COMMERCIAL USE OF VESSELS. Commercial operations such as local boat tours, cruises and fishing charters is not permitted without prior written approval of the Dock Master. Commercial vessels will not be assigned a slip, they will be on a first-come-first-serve basis. The dockmaster shall fill and outside dock spaces last to preserve one slip for commercial day uses. Stays are limited to ten (10) minutes per hour. No business solicitations or domiciled businesses are permitted on premises. [*Build form – name/addresses, boat registration and expiration date, proof of insurance, proof of USCG commercial captain's license, fees if any*]

24. RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGES. The Town is not responsible for any losses on or damage to boats at the docks. Each tenant will be responsible for damages which his/her boat may cause to other boats or structures in the dock system.

25. SMALL BOAT STORAGE. With respect to all slips, inflatables, kayaks, canoes, dinghies and other auxiliary craft must remain secured to a deck of the carrying boat while docked.

26. DISPOSAL OF REFUSE. Separate garbage and recycling bins are provided at the Dock Master's office. Do not deposit into any garbage can or other receptacle located on dock property any of the following: (1) paint, varnish, thinner, non-edible oil or other flammable or hazardous materials; (2) boat parts, including but not limited to engine machinery parts, interior parts, fastenings or upholstery; (3) any item weighing in excess of 20 pounds.

27. PETS. Only pets that arrive aboard a boat shall be allowed on docks. Pet owners must provide a copy of a current rabies inoculation for pets on board. Pets must be attended to at all times, leashed and under owner's control at all times. Leash length is a maximum of 6 feet. Pet waste must be immediately cleaned up by owner – a pet cleanup station is provided near the Dock Master's office. Do not leave pets unattended aboard owner's boat for any extended period of time.

28. FISHING AND FISH CLEANING. Fishing is not allowed at the Dock under any circumstances from boats or dock. No fish cleaning or sale of fish is permitted on the docks or in the slips. No fish carcass may be returned to the water; instead fish carcass needs to be placed in plastic garbage bags and disposed of in garbage bins.

29. SEWAGE. Untreated sewage must never be discharged into the waters. Store sewage in holding tanks and dispose properly at pump out station.

30. HEADS AND SHOWERS. Heads and showers are available at the Dock Master's office. Please leave heads and showers in a clean and orderly fashion. Public urination on shore or directly into the water is prohibited.

31. RAFTING. Rafting (two boats using one slip) is not allowed at docks.

32. FUELING. No persons may fuel boats at docks. Portable containers are in violation of municipal fire code. A list of local marine fuel facilities is available at the dock master's office.

33. TRANSIT STAYS. Owner must be on boat daily. Boats may not stay unattended on transit dock.

34. VISITORS. Docks will be closed to all persons who are not registered with occupants there of between the hours of 10pm and 7am.

35. SWIMMING. Swimming is prohibited from any dock or boat berth.