

West River Yacht Club

4111 Cadle Creek Road
Edgewater, MD 21037

Provisional Membership Rules and Regulations

Rights and Responsibilities

1. Member may berth a boat at the club, and will be guaranteed a slip during the year- however the slip location is subject to change.
2. Member must maintain adequate insurance for his boat and provide proof of insurance to the Dock Chairman.
3. Member may use all club facilities.
4. Dues are non refundable, paid annually, and are due upon acceptance of application by the West River Yacht Club Board of Governors.
5. Provisional membership shall last no longer than twenty-four months. The provisional membership period runs on the calendar year (January thru December). Dues for provisional membership shall be assessed on a full calendar year but prorated by month should the provisional members' first calendar year be partial. Upon December 1st of the first calendar year, a provisional member must apply via letter to the membership chairman to renew for the second year. The Board of Governors may accept or decline the request. If accepted the provisional member must apply for Active membership prior to October 1st of the second calendar year. Application for Active membership requires the following:
 - a. Acquire one sponsor from active membership who has known the provisional member at least one year and one co-sponsor from active membership who has known the provisional member at least six months.
 - b. Complete the Active membership application and return to the membership chairman with:
 - i. Check for \$1000 initiation fee (refundable if application is rejected)
 - ii. Letter from applicant stating why they wish to join.
 - iii. Letter of support from both the sponsor and co-sponsor.

The provisional member is required to remove their boat from the marina by December 31st if renewal of provisional membership or acceptance of Active membership is not granted.

6. Member must conduct himself, and be responsible for his guests, conducting themselves, in a manner that is not injurious to the welfare of the Club, its members or assets. Should the member be implicated in any such occurrence the Club may terminate the provisional membership and will distribute a prorated refund.
7. Guests of provisional members are permitted on the grounds only if provisional member is present.

Dock Regulations

1. Trash and garbage shall not be thrown overboard from boats or docks. Place all trash and garbage in the proper receptacles provided therefore.
2. Gear shall not be piled upon the piers, nor shall gearboxes be installed in a manner as to constitute a hazard to persons using the pier, or to obstruct free passage.
3. Individual metered electrical outlets are provided on the piers for use of slip holders. Adequate ship-to-shore cords must be used to minimize the danger of overheated cords and fire endangering other boats and dock facilities.
4. Electrical outlets on light poles are reserved for emergency and guest use. Such use must not be abused.
5. Installed dock lights, and lights on steps and ramps are SAFETY DEVICES. No one will disconnect lights. Non-operative lights are to be reported to a member of the Dock Committee for immediate remedial action.
6. Any change of wiring, outlets or other associated electrical equipment must be reviewed and approved by the Dock Committee prior to change.
7. The Dock Committee has adopted a series of standards to maintain uniformity and pleasant appearance. Prior to any change to the dock facilities, such change must be reviewed and approved by the Dock Committee, this includes but is not limited to any attachments to dock pilings (including nails, hooks, "separating lines," fender materials etc...) or modifications to dock boards (including cleats, carpet, paint, fender material)
8. Water is provided on the pier. However, members are cautioned that the capacity of the water system is limited and are urged to be moderate in their use of the water. Use of dockside water for washing down boats is permitted but shall not be abused. Restrictions will be placed on water use if it becomes necessary.
9. Size and location of dock boxes shall be reviewed and approved by the Dock committee. Optional sizes are 2x2x3 or 2x2x4 feet. All dock boxes shall be painted white.
10. Boats belonging to club members or to guests of Club members will be allowed guest privileges at the guest dock or other available berthing areas determined by the Dock Committee. Advance requests for dockage should be made to the Dock Chairman for special occasions or party dates at the Club.
11. Boats of member-invited guests will be charged \$10.00 per day.
12. When a slip holder expects to be "out of town" for any extended length of time he should make arrangements for the care of his boat. Also, he should make available to the Dock Chairman the name address and phone number of someone to be notified in case of accident, serious leakage or other damage to his boat.
13. In the event of a contemplated absence of 10 or more days, a slip holder must notify the Dock Chairman of such absence.
14. Assigned slips, when not occupied by the members boat may be temporarily assigned to a sub-occupant by the Dock Committee during the members' absence from the slip.
15. Rental resulting from such a temporary sub-occupancy assignment shall accrue to the club and shall not operate to reduce the permanent rental of the member.

16. Slip holders must notify the dock Chairman upon the sale of a boat berthed at West River Yacht club. Said boat must be removed from the Club property effective within twenty (20) days of date of sale.
17. Parents shall be responsible to ensure that their children, or children of their guests, observe the following in the dock area:
 - a. No running.
 - b. No playing on the bulkhead.
 - c. No playing on escape ladders
 - d. No playing on floats or small boats.
 - e. Those under 10 years of age, or non-swimmers, must wear personal flotation devices when not accompanied by an adult.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the Provisional Membership Rules and Regulations.

Signed _____

Date _____

Printed Name: _____