

# **Tonawanda Island Launch Club - Dock Rules**

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## **Priority and waiting lists**

- A. Slips will be rented only to active members in good standing. Slip preference will be according to rank on the priority list and waiting list.
- B. The priority list shall consist of the members of the TILC who currently hold docks and shall be ranked by chronological order as to the date their \$50.00 deposit was received.
- C. The waiting list shall consist of members in good standing who have requested a slip and paid their \$50.00 deposit to the club. The club will hold the deposit until a slip is available. Rank will be established in chronological order, according to the date that the deposit is received. As a slip becomes available, the next eligible member shall have only three immediate options:
  1. Accept the slip and pay the appropriate fee as described in the club rules.
  2. Pass on the slip and/or any other opportunity for a slip during that boating season.
  3. Forfeit the deposit and be removed from the waiting list.
- D. Members selecting option two retain their position on the waiting list for the following season, but the person accepting the slip on first request permanently passes them on both the waiting list and priority list. Members may use option two for one boating season only.
- E. Members who request and are granted a leave of absence from the TILC by the board shall automatically be refunded their \$50.00 deposit and their name shall be removed from the waiting list.
- F. A member may request a refund of his \$50.00 and removal from the waiting list with a 30-day notice filed in writing with the TILC.

## **Permanent slips**

- A. Slips on Docks A, B, & C (slips#1-9) and Dock D (slips# 1-8) are rental only and are not to be used by anyone other than the membership assigned the slip and only with a vessel registered to such membership; but if the assignees boat is not present, these slips may be assigned Transient Status by the Dock Master, Assistant Dock Master, Commodore, or Vice Commodore. Slips may be rented at the current transient rate; up to, but not exceeding the current annual rental fee. All other slips shall be considered transient and open to all members in compliance with the Dock Rules. Temporary occupants of permanent slips shall be given one week notice by the Dock Master if the permanent slip holder wishes to re-occupy their slip.
- B. The annual mooring fee is \$450.00. The fee may be paid in two installments—\$200 must be paid by January 15 with the balance due when the boat goes in the water or at the May general meeting, whichever comes first. This provision, "B", shall be waived for the elected Commodore during his/her year of office.

- C. If payments are not received on or before the above dates the slip will be forfeited by the member, after board review and approval, and offered to the next available candidate.
- D. If a slip becomes available for rent within the club rules, the option of moving shall be offered to members on the priority list by order of rank. For each subsequent opening left by this choice, the entire priority list will be considered for the newly created opening, including members who have already moved as a result of this opening. Only when all members in the rented slips have made their choice, based on the priority listings, will a slip be made available to the first member on the waiting list. The Dockmaster will make a reasonable effort to contact members using the Contact Information supplied by the member. If the dockmaster is unable to make contact using the information supplied he will move to the next person in order of rank.
- E. Available slips may be rented at the Dockmaster's discretion at the current transient rate. In the event that the Dockmaster becomes aware that a slip will be vacant for part of or all of the boating season, the Dockmaster may arrange for another member to occupy the slip. The Dock Waiting list will be canvassed, in order of rank, to determine who will receive temporary use of the vacant slip.
- F. A member assigned a slip cannot be removed from the slip against his/her will unless it is in the general interest of the club, recommended by the Board, and approved by a 2/3 majority at a membership meeting.
- G. Members that are assigned rental slips shall not inconvenience other members by docking in an area other than their assigned slip. No lockers are allowed on the docks.
- H.
- I. The Dockmaster, Docks Chairperson, & Commodore must approve any modifications to slips).
- J. Permanent slips are limited to boats of 30' or less as proved by the boat registration.
- K. Any slip holder who leaves a permanent slip vacant for two (2) successive years will be subject to a board review and may forfeit the slip in order to allow another member an opportunity to rent a slip. At the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> year the Commodore shall notify, in writing, the slip holder advising him/her that the slip was vacant for the past year and that if it remains vacant for the following year the slip may be subject to forfeiture.

### **Transient slips**

- A. Members may use transient slips, at no cost between the hours of Sunup and 10pm.
- B. The Daily Rate for Transient Slip rental will be \$6.00 per day. A boat left in a transient slip, attended or unattended, past 10pm shall be deemed to be an overnight stay and the boat owner shall pay the current transient rate to the TILC per overnight. This provision shall be waived for the elected Commodore during his/her year of office. Members launching or retrieving their boats are exempt as are members stopping to pick up or drop off passengers. During

official club events, the 10pm rule will be waived for participants unless the boat is left overnight.

- C. No Watercraft occupy a transient slip for more than 14 days in any 30-day period. This provision shall be waved for the elected Commodore during his/her year of office. In the event the Dockmaster rents an empty permanent slip for all or part of season this 14 day rule does not apply.
- D. The owner's name of a boat left overnight in transient slips will be entered on the transient boat register. The primary responsibility is for the boat owner to indicate the overnight stay on the register, but alternatively the Dock Master, Assistant Dock Master, Commodore or Vice-Commodore may indicate an overnight stay on the register. All register entries made by persons other than the boat owner shall be initialed by the person making the entry.
- E. The first two slips directly in front of the club are limited to boats with a beam of 9' or less.
- F. Members with more than one boat must move the added boat(s) to allow other members the use of the dock facility.
- G. Members with boats over 30' may tie up at the "T" or at the extension located in front of Taylor Devices. This rule shall be based on a first come, first served basis.
- H. All personal water craft (PWC) will be charged the current transient rate per overnight stay as defined in section B. If the PWC is tied off the back of a boat already slipped and there is no interference with another slip, there will be no charge
- I.

Boats from visiting clubs, who have a reciprocal agreement with the TILC, shall be extended one free night. Subsequent nights shall be charged at the current transient rate.

- J. Visiting boats attended by the boat owner and accompanied by the sponsoring member are welcome at the TILC under conditions of common sense and courtesy.
- K.

### **Launching Facilities**

Non-members may not use the launching facilities, except by approval of the Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Dock-master or Assistant Dock master.

Powering of water craft on or off of trailers is prohibited.

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### **Trailer lot**

- B. Trailer storage is available in the designated area for the following fees:  
Summer Storage (the period when the ice boom is out): \$50.00  
Winter Storage (the period when the ice boom is in place): \$50.00
- A. Only boats on trailers will be allowed to use the trailer lot.  
Summer Storage fees must be paid by the May general meeting.

- B.

- C. Winter Storage fees must be paid by the September general meeting.
- D. Members assigned Summer Storage will have preference for available winter storage.
- E. Members seeking trailer storage must apply to the trailer storage chairman to be placed on the waiting list.
- F. Trailer owner is responsible for maintaining area where trailer is stored.
- G. Only members who have paid trailer storage may use trailer storage lot.
- H. Paid members may only use assigned locations.
- I. Non-trailer lot members may not store trailers in the trailer lot under any conditions. A fine of \$10. per night will be assessed to members who violate this rule.
- J. All boats stored over the winter must be removed during periods of work, placing/removing the ice boom. Failure to comply will result in loss of storage rights in the following year, after review and approval by the board.

### **Main Parking Lot**

- A. Transient boat trailers may be left in the main parking lot between launch and retrieval at no charge to the boat owner. This temporary use is not intended to replace the trailer lot.
- B. Seasonal or long-term storage of boat/trailer combinations, boat trailers, or RV's is prohibited.
- C. The area from the playground West to the light standard is primarily designated for transient trailer use.

### **Supervision**

- A. The Commodore, Vice-commodore, or Dock master shall have authority over Permanent slips (excluding forfeiture), Transient slips, and Main Parking Lot matters and may make decisions which enforce or accommodate the intent of the rules for the benefit of the members of the club.
- B. Members may appeal to the Board on all matters pertaining to these decisions. Board decision will be final.

### **General Conduct**

- A. Quiet hours shall be: 11:00 P.M. to 7:00 A.M.
- B. Jumping off the bridge by any member or guest is prohibited.
- C. There shall be no cooking or fires of any kind on the club docks. All cooking is restricted to approved stoves/grills on board boats, the clubhouse galley, or outside grills.
- D. All children 8 years or under must wear approved life vests and be accompanied by an adult while on the docks or in ramp area.
- E. Any persons swimming in or around the launch ramp MUST exercise due caution and leave the area immediately during launch or retrieval operations. All

persons under the age of 14 (fourteen) MUST be supervised by a parent or guardian.

- F. Fueling of boats in club slips or docks is prohibited.
- G. All electric connections must be shut off at the breaker when not in use.
- H. All members must use and maintain a proper, safe power cord.

### **Dock Rules change**

All dock rules changes must be posted in the Shearpin prior to any vote of the membership