



Statement of Alcohol and Drug Policy

The Singapore Yacht Club is a family-oriented organization dedicated to the enjoyment and fellowship amongst members who have a common interest in water sports, boating and related activities. It is recognized that the use of alcohol sometimes is consistent with those activities.

However, the excessive use of alcohol is not consistent with such activities and can be both dangerous to the individuals excessively consuming and to those who may come in contact with such a person.

It is the policy of the Singapore Yacht Club that the excessive use of alcohol shall not be permitted at any time or place, including during any function, activity, gathering, or upon the grounds, docks, and other areas connected with the Singapore Yacht Club.

The use of designated drivers for boating or waterfront activities as well as the operation of other machinery and automobiles is to be encouraged by all members. Each member, guest, and visitor shall refrain from the excessive use of alcohol, and no illegal or non prescribed drugs are permitted at any time or place.

Ground Rules

Your Board of Directors feel that the Club and marina should operate for the fun and enjoyment of its members with the minimum of rules and regulations, but to promote harmony it is necessary to regulate the use of facilities to benefit the majority.

Please remember, you, as owner, assume full responsibility for damage, theft, vandalism, etc. Secure your dingy to weather severe storms and rainfall. Fuel tanks and hoses must be in good operating condition and must meet all applicable Coast Guard regulations.

1. Annual slip rentals will be made only to members of the Club. The club marina reserves the right to rent the slip to transient boaters whenever the slipholder is away for an extended period.
2. When a boat has more than one owner, all owners must be regular members of the SYC in order to be a slipholder.
3. When a member receives his first slip assignment, the assignment will be probationary for the first year. A regular assignment will be made upon renewal request with the Board's approval when necessary. The Club will reserve the right to make slip assignment changes upon making this regular assignment.
4. Rental of slip includes water, electricity and refuse service. No water will be used for cooling or heating systems on any craft occupying a slip.
5. Slipholders are expected to notify the Dockmaster when they will be away for more than two (2) nights. They should also notify the Dockmaster as to when they will return. If plans are changed, you are required to notify the Dockmaster. In event of change, management will require a minimum of twenty four (24) hours to clear the slip.



6. Any member entrusting their boat keys to the Dock help will assume all liability and hold the Club harmless.
7. No slipholder shall rent his boat out. Incidental charters will require owner to be present. Incidental is not to be interpreted as condoning business use.
8. All hoses will be neatly coiled on hose racks provided on electrical post when not in use and will be equipped with automatic shutoff nozzles.
9. Rafting off slip ends will not be permitted. However, more than one boat such as transients may be tied in a slip with the approval of slipholder or Dockmaster, providing adjacent slips are not blocked and transient fees are paid.
10. Dockmaster and helpers are hired to take care of Club properties and to help Club members, such as handling lines, etc., when docking or undocking, but they are not personal employees of any member, and should not be asked to render personal services without being reimbursed and then only when they are off duty from the Club.
11. Alcoholic beverages are not to be served to Dock help while they are on duty. At all other times, the laws of the State of Michigan must be respected.
12. No member shall in any manner give permission to Dock help to use their boat at any time, whether on or off duty.
13. Club members not docked at SYC Club are entitled to dockage at SYC, when reserved in advance providing a slip is available and payment is made in advance (nonrefundable). Club members not docked at SYC are free to tie up during the day for an hour or two provided a slip is available and cleared with the Dockmaster or slipholder.
14. The parking lot is for the limited use of the Club members and invited guests for Club related activities. Your access code to the parking lot is confidential and subject to change by the Club manager as directed by the Vice Commodore. Notice of any change will be provided by email.
 - Each slip holder shall be assigned one reserved and numbered parking space that must be occupied first. Any vehicle parked in a slip holder's reserved space without a permit issued by the Club Manager will be towed away at the owner's expense.
 - Members and slip holder's are required to park their vehicle in the Club parking lot, not the street end behind The Butler. However, unloading a vehicle at the end of Butler Street, on a temporary basis, will be permitted, subject to city ordinances.
 - Slip holding members, after occupying the assigned numbered parking space, have an opportunity to make use of one additional unreserved, without number, parking space on a first come first available basis. You are not guaranteed any additional parking space. You may not have any more than two vehicles in the lot on any Holiday or weekend, Friday through Sunday.
 - Social members have an opportunity to make use of one unreserved, without number, parking space along the fence on a first come first available basis. You are not guaranteed a parking space. You may not have any more than one vehicle in the lot on any Holiday or weekend, Friday through Sunday.
 - Limited additional parking will be made available fort weekdays, Monday through Thursday, excluding holidays, on a first come first available basis, at the discretion of the Club Manager. A parking pass, obtained from the Club Manager, must be displayed on the vehicle dash. The Club Manager has immediate authority to limit or deny additional parking. Failure to display the parking pass or to remove the vehicle upon expiration of the parking pass will result in towing at the owner's expense.



- Service providers must use an unreserved, without number, parking space along the fence on a first come first serve basis. They are not guaranteed a parking spot. Parking for service providers is available Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. There is no weekend or midweek holiday parking privileges allowed.
 - See the Club Manager for any parking lot exceptions. (Updated 9/8/18)
15. The parking lot will be used for parking automobiles only. Motor homes, house trailers, living quarters of any kind, boat and boat trailers are specifically prohibited.
 16. Cars or other vehicles are not to be driven over the lawn area. Support vehicles for social events must have prior approval.
 17. Club room is for the use of all members of the SYC. Posted rules are to be observed.
 18. Picnic tables are the property of the Club and are for use of all Club members. Personal barbecue grills will be stored on the boardwalk next to the dock boxes. Charcoal Grills are not to be used on the boardwalk or finger piers. Slipholders are allowed one dock box only as provided by the Club. (updated 12/02/06)
 19. The swimming pool is maintained for the use of all Club members and will be operated in compliance with state regulations along with additional regulations approved by Management Committee. Please observe posted rules.
 20. All pets must be on a leash, as the city has an ordinance to this effect. Violation of the ordinance is subject to a misdemeanor fine of \$100.00. Club rules provide for a leash not to exceed 6 feet. Having a pet is a privilege. All owners of pets must immediately clean up after their pet. Failure will result in a request to remove your pet from the premises.
 21. Any complaint must be directed to the attention of the Vice Commodore, Chairman of the House and Grounds committee, in writing. (Updated 9/8/18)
 22. Any member wishing variance because of special circumstances must direct the request to the attention of the Vice Commodore, Chairman of the House and Grounds committee, in writing. (Updated 9/8/18)
 23. Any changes for slip assignment or maintenance requests etc., must be directed to the attention of the Vice Commodore, Chairman of the House and Grounds committee, in writing. (Updated 9/8/18). Maintenance requests should be directed to the Vice Commodore.
 24. All Club properties will be used under the direction of the Board of Directors; administered by the Commodore through the House and Grounds Committee and the Dockmaster. All Club property, to include dock boxes, electrical and water posts, lights, picnic tables, pool furniture, etc., will not be altered in any way without prior board approval.
 25. House and Grounds rules are based upon the decision of the Bridge and Board of Directors. Interpretation and application are the sole prerogative of the Bridge and the Board of Directors.
 26. The \$500 slip fee due by September first is nonrefundable unless an exception is authorized by the Board of Directors. After April fifteenth or if the slip holder has taken possession of his slip, the \$500.00 slip fee is no longer refundable under any circumstance, however the remainder of the slip rental fee is prorated over twenty six weeks, (April fifteenth to October fifteenth), and upon written request a refund will be made starting the day after the boat is out of the slip, thereby available to our Dockmaster for transient rental. No refund will be granted if the request is made after August first or if the boat is still in the slip on August first. If slip fee payments are not current, no refund will be made. If any refund is made and accepted, the slip holder is no longer entitled to that or any other slip the following year,



however upon request, will be added to the bottom of the Wait List for slips and will not be required to pay the initial nonrefundable slip deposit of \$500.00 required of all members requesting a slip. (Updated 9/06/03)

27. Fireworks are not allowed on Club grounds and are not to be thrown from Club property onto adjacent properties.
28. The fueling of boats at Singapore slips and piers will not be permitted.
29. No piling is to be moved, replaced or installed except by submitting written request to the Vice Commodore for approval by the Board and Butler Enterprises. The Club will not be responsible for any expense incurred unless it has done so in writing prior to the work being done.
30. Boat stairs are to be constructed of wolmanized lumber, unpainted, and the design approved by the SYC Board.
31. In the event that an assigned slipholder fails to utilize the slip for two continuous slip contract periods, the Vice Commodore shall reassign that slip to the next eligible slipholder applicant. (Adopted 2000, updated 2017))
32. The renewal of slip assignments shall be contingent on the slip holder's level of participation in Club activities. "Participation" is defined as involved in formal or informal events, and/or serving as a member on one or more of the club's committees. Also does the member bring a healthy attitude & uphold the integrity, standards, respect & support for SYC. An annual review of each slip holder, and each member on the wait list, shall be performed by the Board of Directors. A decision to renew or cancel individual slip assignments, or to rescind a wait list assignment shall be determined during that review. (Adopted 2020)
33. Additional Boats

(A): Second boats, when used as dinghies or tenders, are permitted in slips provided they:

1. Are owned by the slipholder
2. Are tied off in at least three points
3. Are totally contained within the slip and not encroaching on either neighboring slip
4. Are removed if the owner's vessel is away for more than 24 hours
5. Are moored in the slip with the permission of both neighboring slipholders

(B): Dinghies may be tied under docks or between the end of the dock and a springpiling provided that they:

1. Are owned by the slipholding member
2. Are tied with the permission of the slipholder sharing the finger pier
3. Are not encroaching into the neighboring slip
4. Are removed if the owner's vessel is away for more than 72 hours

(C): A member in good standing will only be eligible for one slip assignment, subject to availability. This will promote the intentions of the Club to allow as many members as possible to have access to a slip, pursuant to the requirements outlined above and only when slip becomes available to member in good standing. (Adopted 2017)



Mooring of dinghies should never interfere with the club's ability to host transient boaters. All final decisions regarding "second boats" lie with the Board of Directors. Board decisions are to be implemented by the Dockmaster. (Adopted 2000, Updated 7/2002)

34. All boats docked at SYC on a transient or permanent basis, shall be maintained in a clean manner, and in such a way that it does not present a hazard to other boats or persons. Boats also must have a working motor and be able to navigate in and out of slip under its own power. No houseboats, inflatables, floating cottages, or pontoon boats will be allowed as primary vessel. (Adopted 2020)

35. No slipholder at Singapore Yacht Club, whose boat is for sale, may give permission for prospective buyers to tour the boat unless the owner or designated broker is present at the time of the showing.

36. Membership

(A): APPLICATION FOR/AND ELECTION TO MEMBERSHIP – All prospective members shall submit a completed Singapore Yacht Club membership application. The applicant shall be recommended by a regular member in good standing and shall support his application by two (2) references. (updated 9/12/2015) After the completed application has been submitted, each applicant must appear before the Membership Committee. The SYC Board of Directors then reviews the application and the report from the Membership Committee. The prospective member may now be elected for membership by the Board at a regular or special meeting by a two thirds (2/3) majority approval of the applicant.

(B): If a previous member in good standing, who has dropped his membership, wishes to reapply for membership, he/she shall make a formal application for membership and shall pay, in addition to their membership dues, and application fee of \$50.00 in lieu of an additional initiation fee. (Updated 4/30/05)

(C): Application and review of Honorary Members and Surviving Spouse will be reviewed by the Membership Committee and submitted to the SYC Board of Directors then reviews the report from the Membership Committee and makes a decision to accept or deny membership. (updated 9/6/2008)

37. This ground rule is to be used as a guideline for slip assignments.

(A) SLIP MOVE LIST

1. The member requesting to be on the move list and paying the applicable annual fee, must identify the location of the requested slips on the dock where the member desires to move. The first slip that becomes available meeting their



criteria will be offered to the member and if they should turn it down, they will be moved to the bottom of the move list and the slip will be offered to the next person on the move list. When the move list is exhausted, the wait list will be used.

2. Modifications needed to accommodate the boat at the new location will be paid for by the member moving, such as electrical connections, piling adjustments, etc.

3. Should a slip holder on the move list desire to move to slips 1 through 7, 18, and 43, the vessel must be at least 50 feet in overall length. No boat under 50 feet will be allowed in these slips. These slips are reserved for Large Boat Designated vessels.

4. A slip holder with a smaller boat may request a move to a large boat designated slip, to accommodate the future purchase of a larger boat. If a slip is available, it would be offered to the member on the basis that they must secure the larger boat to fill the new slip within 2 seasons. The member will be required to pay for the larger slip, but must occupy the current slip until the new boat is secured. If the member does not buy a 50 foot or larger boat within 2 seasons, the member will stay in his current smaller slip and may elect to go back on the bottom of the move list.

5. Slip holders are not allowed to make an agreement to trade slips. Slip assignments must be filled according to the rules established for assigning slips.

(B) SLIP WAIT LIST

1. The member requesting to be on the wait list and paying the applicable fee, shall be assigned on the basis of the date added to the wait list, slip size as indicated in the SYC Vice Commodore's records, and slip width requested by wait list member. Before offering a slip, Vice Commodore shall determine the member on the wait list whose boat specifications either meet or are close to meeting the criteria of the open slip, starting at the top of the list. The Vice Commodore will then inform the member which slip will be available and determine with the member if his boat will fit into the offered slip. If not, the Vice Commodore will continue down the list until all of the available slips are filled for that year. The Vice Commodore will personally contact the member and the member will be given 2 days to accept or decline the slip. If declined, the member will remain at the same position on the wait list and will be advised that they are only allowed to decline two times before being moved to the bottom of the wait list. (Updated 2017)

2. To qualify for a Large Boat designation, the vessel must be at least 50 feet in overall length. Members requesting this special designation will be assigned to Large Boat designated slips 1 through 7, 18, and 43 only. No boat under 50 feet



will be allowed in the slips. Owners may elect not to register as a Large Boat designation, if their vessel is 50 feet or more in overall length.

(C) TRANSIENT RENTAL – Between Memorial Day and Labor Day, a transient SYC member or non-member can occupy a slip no longer than 2 consecutive weeks at a time. They will be required to vacate the slip for a least a week before they can rent another SYC slip, if all slips are reserved.

(D) ADMINISTRATION – All ground rules governing the assignment of slips and the moving of slips are to be the sole responsibility of the Vice Commodore, in co-operation with the club manager. (adopted 9/9/06, updated 9/7/07, updated 2017)

38. In the event of the death of a member in good standing currently assigned a slip, the surviving spouse may retain that slip assignment. The surviving spouse must become a member of Singapore Yacht Club. Initiation and wait list fees will be waived. All Singapore Yacht Club By Laws and Ground Rules apply.

39. Email voting will be allowed by Bridge and Board of Directors only if not related to compensation of Bridge or Board of Directors or any special assessments to regular members of Singapore Yacht Club (Updated 9/16)

40. Singapore Yacht Club makes slips available on an as is basis and reserve the right to raise or lower finder piers, to repair or replace dock boards, steps and hand rails, to move, add, or remove pilings, to reposition dock boxes, to resize ore reshape slips, to repair or replace utility pedestals and to conduct any other maintenance work. Such work will be initiated in conjunction with The Butler's directive to the SYC Board of Directors and generally scheduled for completion before April 15, or initiated after October 15, unless a special urgency is defined and agreed upon by the BOD.