



## Sparrows Point Country Club Marina Rules and Regulations

The following rules and regulations have been adopted in order to provide a safe and inviting marina for members and their guests. All members assigned a slip, their families, contractors, and guests expressly agree to comply with these Rules and Regulations at all times. Sparrows Point Country Club (SPCC) reserves the right from time to time to change or add rules and regulations for the safety, care, and cleanliness of the marina for the preservation of good order and upon posting such changes/amendments on the bulletin board at the Bath House and by sending them to the member slip holders via email, shall become part of the Rules and Regulations and supersede all previous versions.

1. **Docking or Securing Any Vessel** in the marina or any portion of the docks is permitted only with the written authorization of SPCC by means of an executed Membership Agreement and payment of required slip fees. All registered boat owners must be SPCC members in good standing in order to be assigned (and maintain) a boat slip. Slip fees are based on the length of the boat set forth by the SPCC Board of Governors. Fees are based annually, but will be billed to slip holders on a monthly basis to the member's club account number.
2. **Proof of Ownership and Insurance**. Each member desiring a slip assignment must complete and submit an application which includes proof of ownership, registration (State and/or Coast Guard Documentation), and boat insurance. SPCC will not be held liable for any loss on account of fire, flood, theft, vandalism, hurricane, tornado or other acts of God, any maintenance deemed necessary by management or any cause beyond our control and does not carry insurance to cover the same. The SPCC management, Board of Governors, and/or Pier Committee cannot assume any responsibility concerning the care, attention, servicing, or risk of any vessel, accessories, equipment, property, or in the safety of crew, passengers or guests on said vessels. All boats are operated at the owners' risks.
3. **Guest boats** must have advanced approval of the SPCC Pier Committee or the Club Manager who will assign a transient slip (if available). The prevailing guest docking fees will be applied to the sponsoring SPCC club member's account.
4. **Dress Code**: SPCC members and their guests must adhere to the SPCC dress code when leaving the pier.
5. **Boat Usage**. Each slip holder must get their boat underway, under its own power, away from the Marina a minimum of six (6) times from April 1 through November 1. This is to prevent a slip from being occupied by a derelict or unused boat and thereby preventing another member or potential member from being assigned a slip. Failure to use your boat as described above may result in the revocation of your slip assignment. Exceptions to this rule are subject to the discretion of the SPCC Pier Committee and should be posed to the Committee Chair Person in writing, in advance of any deviation from this rule (e.g. medical problems, extended business travel, etc.). A slip holder in violation of this rule by the SPCC Pier Committee will be warned in writing that slip revocation is being considered. If the slip holder takes no action to comply, actions prescribed in Articles 29 and 30 of this document will apply.
6. **Rules of the Road** and navigation laws of the United States and the State of Maryland apply to all boats in, approaching, or leaving the Marina. Boat Owners are responsible for damages or injuries caused by their boat's wake.
7. **All Vessels Require Examination and Approval** by the SPCC Pier Committee prior to the execution of a Slip Assignment. The SPCC Pier Committee (with the approval of the Board of Governors) has the right to set standards of acceptability as to the appearance, safety, and general condition of vessels docked in the SPCC Marina. Vessels are to be maintained in good mechanical and aesthetic condition at all times. Vessels not in good condition, as determined by the SPCC Pier Committee (with the approval of the Board of Governors), will not be admitted to or permitted to remain in the Marina. A marine survey, conducted by a qualified marine surveyor, may be required by the SPCC Pier Committee (with the approval of the Board of Governors), at the boat owner's expense, any time prior to arrival or while the vessel is in the marina to ensure the safety of the members, their families/guests, the other boats in the Marina and the Marina itself.

8. **Maintenance in the Marina.** All boats occupying slips in the Marina will be maintained in a safe condition and shall not constitute a fire or other hazard. Maintenance, whether by boat owner or commercial contractor, shall be limited to normal preventative maintenance and repairs necessary to make the boat seaworthy to be able to get underway under its own power. These procedures include changing batteries, fluids, expendable parts (e.g. belts, filters, etc.). Extensive repairs may require, at the recommendation of the SPCC Pier Committee (and if approved by the Board of Governors), that the vessel be removed from the marina prior to the work being done. In the event of an emergency during the member's/boat owner's absence (e.g., breakdown of the bilge pump, leak, bad dock lines, etc.), the SPCC Pier Committee (when approved by the SPCC Board of Governors) is authorized to make necessary repairs as economically as possible, which will be charged to the member/boat owner's SPCC account. Boat washing is permitted at the Marina. To the extent feasible, biodegradable soaps and cleaners should be used.
9. **Swimming** is expressly forbidden in and around the Marina. However, in-water bottom cleaning or repairs are allowed.
10. **Pets**. All pets must be under the control of their owners at all times. Owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pets and disposing of it properly.
11. **Authorization to Board and Move.** If the /member/owner of a boat which is liable to suffer damage or cause damage to other boats or property is not present and cannot be located in time to prevent the damage from occurring, such boat may be boarded by a member of the SPCC Pier Committee or SPCC Board of Governors in order to take appropriate remedial action as any reasonable person might under the circumstances. This person will not be held liable for such reasonable and prudent preventative actions that they may take.
12. **Main Piers and Finger Piers** shall be kept clear at all times. Permanently installed wooden or fiberglass boarding steps or ladders are subject to acceptance by the SPCC Pier Committee and approval by the Board of Governors. No additions or alterations shall be made to the pier, catwalks, pilings, electrical equipment or other SPCC property without recommendations by the SPCC Pier Committee and approval by the SPCC Board of Governors.
13. **Dock Carts.** For the convenience of others, dock carts must be returned to the brick pad area adjacent to the bath house immediately after use.
14. **"For Sale" Signs** and any other forms of advertising or solicitation are not allowed from the bow, bow life rails/lines, bow pulpit, or bow sprits. For Sale signs may only be placed on the stern/transom and be of a reasonable size.
15. **Bath Houses.** The bath houses are maintained for the comfort and convenience of the members and their guests. Everyone is responsible for cleaning up after themselves and leaving the showers and sinks in the same conditions as they were in when you entered. The bath houses will be winterized and locked approximately the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in November. It will be recommissioned around the 1<sup>st</sup> week of April (as soon as the water on the pier has been reconnected - dependent on the weather). Smoking is not allowed in the bath houses.
16. **Laundry** shall NOT be hung on the exterior of boats or on the docks.
17. **Charcoal and Gas Cooking** is not permitted on the docks or on the exterior of any vessel in or attached to the Marina. Electric grills are permitted for use in the Marina.
18. **Fireworks** are not permitted in the Marina, on the docks, or on any vessel in or attached to the Marina.
19. **Trash and Garbage** must be disposed of in the dumpster located in the parking lot. Garbage is not to be staged on boat decks or the piers overnight. Do not dispose of shrink wrap in the Marina dumpster. Contact the Pier Committee for recommendations on disposing/recycling of shrink wrap.
20. **Used Motor Oil, Antifreeze, Fuel, and Batteries.** Contact the SPCC Pier Committee to discuss disposal.
21. **Utility Connections** from the boat to the marina are to be maintained in a serviceable condition as determined by the SPCC Pier Committee. All utility connections determined by the SPCC Pier Committee to be unsafe are immediately subject to disconnection with or without prior notification of the boat owner. Under no circumstances may a boat owner plug into any other electrical outlet than the one assigned to that slip, without prior written consent of the SPCC Pier Committee. If there is a problem with the utility connection at the pier or an emergency, contact either the Pier Committee or the SPCC Main Office. NO MORE THAN ONE VESSEL IS TO BE CONNECTED TO A SINGLE SHORE POWER OUTLET/PEDESTAL.

22. **Sub-leasing of slips** to other members or non-members is strictly forbidden.
23. **Loud Noise** such as hailers, loud music, or unnecessarily loud revving of engines will not be permitted. Dock parties must conclude by 11:00pm Sunday-Thursday, and by Midnight Friday and Saturday. Any noise which can be heard further than two slips from the boat creating the noise will be considered too loud.
24. **Space Heaters are NOT to be Operated Unattended at Any Time.** Certain certified "boat safe" engine compartment heaters may be used with prior written approval from the SPCC Pier Committee. Vessels found operating unattended space heaters or other unsafe heating devices will be immediately disconnected from shore power. At no time are kerosene or propane space heaters to be operated on boats in the Marina.
25. **Discharges.** No untreated waste may be pumped overboard while in the Marina. Bilges must be kept free of any contaminants (e.g. oil, fuel, antifreeze, etc.). A discharge is defined as any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, or dumping as per US Code Title 33 Navigation and Navigable Waters. "Y" valves must be in the "closed" position and locked at all times while boating in inland waters.
26. **Year-Round Liveaboards.** No boat in the Marina may be occupied on a full-time basis before the last week in March or after the second week in November.
27. **In-Water Winter Storage.** All boats being kept at the SPCC Marina for in-water winter storage must be paid for and moved to the assigned land-side slips (designated by the SPCC Pier Committee) prior to the third week in November. (See Article 24 for additional compliance)
28. **Contractors and Agents.** All contractors retained by boat owners must sign in at the SPCC Main Office and show proof of liability and worker's compensation insurance prior to commencing work.
29. **Infractions.** Any member/boat owner in violation of these Rules and Regulations may have their slip assignment terminated. If the member/boat owner does not remove his/her boat within thirty (30) days from the date of notification of the termination of slip assignment, the SPCC Pier Committee will arrange to have the boat removed and relocated, at the owner's expense and risk. The SPCC Pier Committee will contract to have the boat removed to a commercial boat yard and the owner will be responsible for any cost and liability associated with such relocation. Any member/boat owner in violation of these Rules and Regulations shall be notified in writing of the violation, via Certified Mail, and provided 30 days to come into compliance with the violated Rule or Regulation. If the member/boat owner refused to accept the Certified Letter, they shall be notified in person (by phone and/or by regular mail). If the offending party remains in non-compliance after 30 days of being notified, the member may be considered for expulsion from SPCC.
30. **Appeals.** If a member/boat owner objects to an action of the SPCC Pier Committee in the implementation of these Rules and Regulations, the member/boat owner may lodge a formal protest, in writing to the SPCC Pier Committee. Such protests will be considered and forwarded to the SPCC Board of Governors within 30 days of receipt and the protesting member/boat owner given an opportunity to present their situation in person before the Board for adjudication and resolution. The decision of the Board will be final.

I have read, understand, and will comply with the aforementioned Sparrows Point Country Club Marina Rules and Regulations.

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Member/Boat Owner Printed Name

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Member/Boat Owner Signature

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Date