

WBYC Dutch Harbor and Bristol Harbor Moorings

Contact one of the WBYC board members for the mooring number and GPS coordinates

Dutch Harbor Mooring Rules (as adopted November 2010 and amended June 2018 for the Bristol mooring)

1. The mooring may only be used by West Bay Yacht Club members in good standing. Non-member guest boats are not permitted.
2. While using the club mooring, members must fly the club burgee, must carry an up-to-date membership card, and should carry a copy of these rules.
FYI: In the event you find a non-member boat occupying the mooring and refusing to vacate, you can call the local Harbormaster to help resolve the issue. You should also document the boat name and type as well as take a picture of the boat showing the name and port.
3. Mooring use is first come-first served, when in compliance with all other Rules herein.
4. If you pick up the mooring, you agree to allow other member boats to raft with you.
If you do not agree, please be prepared to vacate the mooring immediately upon arrival of any WBYC member boat who is willing to raft with others. If rafting room is available but you are not willing to raft with the boats already on the mooring, then you have no cause for complaint.
5. Rafting is encouraged, but allowed only in calm-to-moderate conditions. Three boats may raft on the mooring when conditions permit, however the sum of overall lengths may not exceed 100'.
6. All rafts should break up when stronger winds (12 kts and higher) and rough seas arise that can cause damage to boats and/or ground tackle, and drag the mooring. When conditions change for the worse, the skipper of the boat who will be remaining on the mooring has the final say in asking others to leave the raft. Claim to the mooring is per Rule 3 unless Rule 8 applies.
7. Unattended boats may be rafted to when conditions permit and where the arriving boat has adequate crew and equipment to safely perform the rafting operation without the assistance of the other's absent crew.

FYI: While it is legal to leave a single boat on the mooring unattended, it is illegal in both Jamestown and Bristol waters to leave a raft unattended (for example, everyone going ashore).

8. Except when there is no other demand, mooring use is limited to one twenty-four hour period per boat per weekend. Please observe these Courtesy Protocols:
 - Upon arrival, always announce your presence & desires to boats on the mooring.
 - Boats waiting to use the mooring should be served in order of their arrival.
 - Next boat up should be given notice when a departing boat leaves the mooring or raft.
9. Use Good Seamanship: Affix the mooring pennant eye to your cleat with a tie-down. If you need a longer pennant, DO NOT simply run a line through the pennant eye loop. Instead, tie your extra line to the eye so it cannot run freely and cause chafe damage to the eye.
10. Grievances: Where one member's disregard for these rules results in unfair denial of another member's rights of use, or where mooring equipment abuse is seen to occur, a good-faith attempt to resolve the issue between parties must be made on the water at the time of the incident. Unresolved complaints should be filed in writing with the Cruise Committee chair or with a Member-at-Large by the aggrieved party. Any member(s) found to have acted contrary to these rules may, by process of a grievance resolution hearing, be subject to disciplinary action by the Board of Governors.