

PALISADES INTERSTATE PARK COMMISSION

Boat Basin Regulations

1. Tenants of the boat basin and their guests agree to abide by the Boat Basin Regulations, Administrative Polices, and the Rules and Regulations and of the Palisades Interstate Park Commissions.
2. The boat basin season starts on May 1 and runs through October 31st. Any boat occupying a slip before or after said season must notify and receive permission from the Superintendent's office for any off-season use. A daily fee of \$20 will apply.
3. Slips are leased to the owner of a particular boat and are not transferable. No other boat, including others owned by the same person, may occupy the slip unless the tenant makes written request to, and receives written consent from, the Commission.
4. Current boat registration numbers must be clearly marked on vessels in accordance with applicable regulations and must match the registration number on file in the Superintendent's office.
5. No exchanges of slips between tenants are permitted except by consent of the Commission. All requests for changes must be made in writing.
6. Boats must be secured in their assigned slips and may not interfere or obstruct another tenant's access to their slip.
7. Tenants should advise the steward of absences from the basin in excess of 48 hours. The Commission may rent out any slip not occupied by its particular tenant on a day-to-day basis. Any such slip will be available for its regular tenant within 24 hours after the steward receives notice of intent to occupy.
8. Over a period of 2 years, any slip not occupied by the particular boat for which it was leased will be reassigned.
9. Any damage to slips, decks, walkways, etc., incurred through the fault of the tenant, shall be repaired at the tenant's expense.
10. Any condition on board or around a boat that is declared unsafe or hazardous by a representative of the Commission must be corrected by the owner to the satisfaction of the Commission. All charges incurred in correcting said conditions are the responsibility of the boat owner.
11. The Commission may, at its discretion, arrange for the removal and hauling out of any boat which it determines to be in an unsafe or sinking condition, provided the owner is unavailable or fails to respond to notification of said unsafe condition. The Commission will make every effort to contact the owner at the phone numbers provided on the rental application. All charges for removal, hauling out and spill containment are the responsibility of the owner.
12. Catwalks, decks and walkways must be kept free of all equipment and obstructions at all times.
13. No additions or alterations may be made to any slip, catwalk, handrail or deck without written approval from the Superintendent's office. Tenants shall submit a detailed sketch of the desired improvements, for approval, including information regarding materials, dimensions and construction methods.
14. Alpine Boat Basin has a fixed dock system requiring slideboards and dock lines to keep boats properly secured in their slips.
 - a. At least four sideboards, measuring no less that 2"x6", are required to prevent boats from getting caught under the docks and walkways. Slideboards shall not be excessively long or poorly secured as to present a hazard to other boats, boaters or park personnel.
 - b. Boats require at least six ½" lines to be properly secured in the slips and to allow for the rise and fall of the tide. Lines must be secured directly to piles or to the docks stringers with **through-bolted** eyebolts or cleats. Lines may **not** be secured to the handrails, handrail uprights, electrical posts, or any other structure not sufficient to carry the load.
15. Dinghies may not be more than 10 ft. in length and must be kept within the confines of the tenant's slip, not on the deck, walkways or gas dock.
16. Trash must be placed in the proper receptacles, with glass and aluminum separated for recycling. Marine batteries, coolant and other waste or boating by-products must be disposed of in a legal and lawful manner.
17. Waste oil may be discarded in the two containers located on the main bulkhead. Oil must be poured into barrels. Filters and containers must be drained and proposal discarded.
18. Releasing of gray water or sewage into the basin is prohibited.
19. Fishing or crabbing from any portion of the basin is prohibited.
20. Open fires and gas grills are prohibited on board a boat, while in the boat basin, or on any catwalk or deck.

21. No electrical equipment or appliances may be stored on or operated from the docks, or connected directly to the marina power posts. Any such equipment must be stored on and operated from the boat, and connected to the boats power supply system.
22. Fuel tanks may be filled at the gas dock only, and fueling must be done in accordance with the Commissions fueling procedures. Draining, cleaning and/or removal of fuel tanks and the use of gasoline, or other flammable solvents, as cleaning agents are prohibited within the basin. Fueling boats from cans, drums or portable fuel tanks is strictly prohibited.
23. Boats stewards shall fuel boats in accordance with the posted fueling procedures and queuing protocol.
24. Smoking is prohibited at the gas dock, in the boathouse and on the porch around the boathouse.
25. The gas dock is primarily for the sale of marine fuel. Discharge and pick-up of passengers should be kept to a minimum. The Commission has final say on the use of the gas dock.
26. The gas dock shall not be used for overnight dockage under any circumstances. Boats may not be left unattended at the gas dock and vessels needing mechanical service shall be secured in a vacant transient slip.
27. No major boat alterations or repairs may be undertaken while in the basin, including sanding, scraping, painting, engine overhauls, etc. All materials used for cleaning exterior surfaces must be biodegradable.
28. Boat owners shall notify the Administrative Office if they will be having any work done on their boat by an outside vendor. Contractors and repairpersons must report to the boat house and sign in with the steward before beginning work.
29. Tenants shall furnish and install their own slideboards and shall remove them at the end of the season. Slideboards may be stored for the offseason at the boat basin in one of the racks provided for this purpose. Slideboards must be marked with the tenant's name or slip number and secured to the rack at both ends. Slide boards may not be left on any dock, walkway or catwalk. Slideboards not removed shall become property of the Commission and tenants shall be assessed a fee of \$50/board for their removal.
30. All personal property, lines, water hoses, electric lines, dock boxes and gear must be removed from the basin by the end of the season. Any equipment not removed will be removed and disposed by the Commission, and the tenant shall be assessed a fee of \$50 for each item removed.
31. The speed limit inside of the basin is 5 MPH and the entire basin and the mouth is a "No Wake Zone."
32. Car decals, one per slip, are sent out with the assignment papers and are non-transferable. The decals must be displayed in the rear most, driver's side window, and must be visible at all times. Vehicles without decals must pay the established parking fee. Receipts, old decals, yacht club stickers/ID Cards and Guest ID forms will not be accepted in lieu of a current decal. Vehicles displaying duplicate decals or decals that have been reported missing or stolen may receive summonses from the park police.
33. Guest vehicles must use Guest ID forms when they are staying after hours to alert the police that the vehicle belongs to a guest of the boat owner. Guest ID is to be placed on the driver's side dashboard. The Guest ID does not entitle the bearer to free parking and therefore the guest must pay the appropriate parking fee for the duration of their stay. Vehicles without a properly displayed Guest ID are subject to summonses.
34. The Superintendent must approve commercial use of boats in writing.
35. Palisades Interstate Park Commission reserves the right to utilize, assign, reassign or cancel any slip assignment.
36. Pets must be on a leash at all times and owners must pick up after their pet.
37. Signature of tenant on the contract constitutes agreement to abide by basin, Commission, State of New Jersey and federal regulations. Failure to comply with said regulations and laws will be cause for cancellation of contract, forfeiture of all fees and removal of boat from the basin.
38. Boaters will be charged for any materials such as absorbent pads and floating booms used to contain fuel or chemical spills from their vessel or any boating related equipment.
39. In accordance with section 2 of P.L.1987, c.453 (C.12:7-61), all persons shall complete a mandatory boat safety course, before operating a power vessel, including a personal watercraft, on the waterways of this State.
40. Vehicular access to and parking on the bulkhead area between the north and south basins is prohibited.