

## FLATS & BEACHES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

### **ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES**

1. All mooring holders must complete an online application identifying the area in which they would like to have a mooring. This includes the North Cove flats and river areas as well as moorings in the beach communities. Applications must be renewed annually.
2. A copy of the owner's current CT registration or CT certificate of decal or USCG Vessel License **in the name of the mooring holder** is required and must be submitted with the mooring application.
3. The Harbor Master shall approve mooring permits and inspect mooring gear. If the mooring is in the water it must be pulled for inspection.
4. Once a mooring has been inspected and approved you or your designee may place it for the season.
5. Mooring should have adequate ground tackle, two pendants, chafing gear and scope for the area and conditions expected. A vessel riding on its mooring must not infringe on other moorings. Moorings, by action of the wind or current, shall not encroach upon navigation channels maintained by the Corp of Engineers, or interfere with established fairways, wharves, docks or floats.
6. All vessels moored in Old Saybrook waters shall be registered, identified, marked, equipped, and maintained as required by law and safe practice.
7. Mooring buoys must be white and carry the last name of the vessel's owner and the mushroom weight including the "#" or "lb.
8. All mooring privileges cease on November 1, and all vessels subject to these policies and procedures must be off their mooring by this date, or by such other date as the **HMC** may designate.
9. Mooring rights are not transferable by anyone except the **HMC**.
10. The reassignment of a mooring by the owner to an individual, group or yacht club for distribution to transient renters or anyone else is prohibited.
11. It is the mooring holder's responsibility to provide general liability insurance with a minimum coverage limit of \$300,000 for his or her vessel. Failure to maintain insurance coverage will be grounds for loss of mooring privileges.

### **SHEFFIELD STREET DOCK**

12. No vessel shall remain at the dock for more than twenty minutes while another vessel is waiting to use the dock and no vessels are to be left unattended.
13. Dinghies stored on Town property shall be identified with the owner's name clearly and indelibly printed in some conspicuous place on the hull. A DEEP "If Found" sticker mounted on the inside of the dinghy is strongly encouraged. They can be obtained at the Town Hall in the Selectman's Office or by emailing [deep.boating@ct.gov](mailto:deep.boating@ct.gov).
14. All garbage and refuse must be placed in receptacles provided by the Town of Old Saybrook.
15. The General Statutes of Connecticut prohibit discharge of any rubbish, waste material, or refuse material of any kind or description into waters of any river, stream, pond or tidal waters.

### **ENFORCEMENT**

16. Any infraction of these policies and procedures of the Town of Old Saybrook by mooring holders may result in cancellation of the mooring contract, or removal from the mooring list.

### **HOLD HARMLESS**

17. The Town of Old Saybrook, the Harbor Master, the Deputy Harbor Master or any of its agencies assume no responsibility for the safety of any vessel in Old Saybrook waters and will not be liable for fire, theft, or damage to such vessel, its equipment, or any property in or on said vessel, however arising.

### **QUESTIONS:**

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