

# CITY OF GRAND HAVEN MUNICIPAL MARINA RULES AND REGULATIONS

The City of Grand Haven welcomes you to the Grand Haven Municipal Marina. We hope that you will enjoy your stay in Grand Haven and ask that you comply with the following rules and regulations while staying at the Municipal Marina.

These rules and regulations concerning berthing, maneuvering, servicing of boats, and conduct of boat owners have been prepared to set standards for safety, health and comfort for all persons using our facilities. As defined in these rules and regulations, the word "operator" shall indicate a person authorized by the City of Grand Haven to operate the Marina facility; and the word "tenant" shall indicate the owner of a boat legally within the Marina or any other person who is using the Marina facilities.

1. No boat slip may be occupied without a permit obtained from the operator of the Marina.
2. A permit is good for twenty-four (24) hours only. Check out time for leaving the Marina shall be 12:00 noon. Any boat, which remains in the slip beyond the check out time, must pay the fee for an additional twenty-four (24) hour period.
3. When slips are available, the operator may waive the fees for use of the Marina slips when a tenant wishes to dock a boat for a period not to exceed four (4) hours. In the event that a tenant remains for more than four (4) hours, he shall pay the fees exacted per twenty-four (24) hour period. Slip fees should not be waived pursuant to this subsection more than once within any twenty-four (24) hour period for any given tenant.
4. A permit issued by the operator shall apply only to the boat specified in the permit and therefore cannot be transferred to another vessel and/or boat owner.
5. No tenant shall be able to stay at the Marina for more than seven (7) consecutive days. A tenant may not berth at the Marina for two (2) days following a consecutive seven (7) day stay. In the event there are slips available boats may stay more than seven days provided the tenant departs when the facility reaches no vacancy, or when so ordered by the operator.
6. Permits are issued only to pleasure boats.
7. To obtain a permit, tenants must provide required information as requested by the operator.
8. It is prohibitive that owners leave the boat in the Marina and leave the City of Grand Haven for a period of more than twenty-four (24) hours where the boat is unoccupied. The Marina is a transient facility and is not intended for use as an interim storage area.
9. In an attempt to accommodate as many boats as possible, the operator is authorized to dock more than one boat per slip. In such circumstances, the operator may move (by hand) an unattended boat.
10. Charter boats are prohibited from boarding passengers while docked at the Municipal Marina. A boarding area is available at the Linear Park dock, which is located directly across from Chinook Pier.
11. When a boat enters the Marina during the hours of operation and during the open season, it shall immediately come under jurisdiction of the operator. Any boat entering the Marina shall be berthed or anchored only in such location and manner as described by the operator. There shall be no rafting of boats berthed in the Marina. All boats shall be moored in such a way that there shall be direct access to the dock.
12. All boats entering the Marina during an emergency shall report immediately to the operator.
13. Any boat, which is not marked or identified properly, shall not be permitted within the Marina.
14. No advertising or soliciting shall be permitted on any boat, on the grounds or on the property of the Marina. (Exception: Boats berthed in the Marina may display not more than one sign indicating that the boat is for sale. Any such sign may not be larger than twelve (12) inches and must be in or on that vessel). Special boat shows authorized by the City of Grand Haven are also exempted from this rule.
15. Boats must be seaworthy and may not constitute a hazard in the opinion of the operator. The tenant shall remove any boat that is a hazard from the Marina immediately upon order.
16. No refuse or excrement shall be thrown, pumped or discharged overboard. Garbage shall be placed in cans supplied for that purpose, and any other debris shall be placed as directed by the operator.
17. Tenants shall use discretion in operating motors, generators or bilge pumps to avoid creating any disturbance for other tenants in the Marina.
18. No swimming, diving or fishing is permitted within the Marina.
19. Tenants shall not store supplies, dock boxes, materials, accessories or debris upon any walkway, dock or Marina grounds; nor shall any tenant construct a locker, chest, cabinet, steps, ramps or other similar structures on walkways or docks.
20. The feeding of ducks at the Municipal Marina is prohibited for health reasons. A duck feeding area has been assigned to just East of the Miniature Golf facility at Chinook Pier, and ducks can be fed at this location only.
21. Disorderly conduct by a tenant or his visitors which might cause injury to a person, damage to a property or otherwise cause a nuisance, shall be cause for immediate eviction from the Marina upon order from the operator. No refund shall be made to those ordered to leave the Marina area by the operator.
22. Boat owners, their guests or any other party is in violation of Section 5-12 of the Grand Haven Code of Ordinances (CONSUMPTION IN PUBLIC PLACES) if they consume or have open containers of alcoholic beverages any place other than on boats or on the docks at the City Marina. Boat owners may not walk from one dock to another or from the dock to the restroom with an open container of alcoholic beverage.
23. Boat trailers may not be stored in the Municipal Marina parking lot. Marina or Boat Launch Ramp personnel can direct tenants with trailers to a designated lot.
24. Cleaning of fish and the discarding of fish remains shall be done at the Fish Cleaning Station located at the Chinook Pier facility. The cleaning of fish by non-charter boat personnel shall be prohibited between the hours of 12:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. During other hours of operation, individuals may clean fish themselves. Access to the facility may be obtained by contacting the Marina office or Marina personnel. The fish cleaning station shall be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.
25. Any bills, which are outstanding for a period of 30 or more days, shall be referred to a collection agency. The owner of any boat, which has an outstanding bill, shall not be permitted to use the Municipal Marina facilities.
26. In the event that berthing space is not available at the Marina, a waiting list will be started at 7:00 a.m. each morning. Boat owners or their representative must be present at the Dock Master's Office, and the vessel must be in the water and within the near vicinity of the Marina. A radio call will be given upon request. In the event that slip space is not obtained on a given day, the remaining names on the list will be carried over to the next day's list. However, the boat owner or his representative must be present to obtain slip space. (Please refer to "Waiting List Policy" on opposite page).
27. The Municipal Marina shall be open from April 1 to October 31. Daily hours will be posted at the Marina office. All boats must be removed from the Municipal Marina by 5:00pm on October 31.

Thank You,  
Management & Staff  
City of Grand Haven  
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