



Membership Committee Recommendations: 2015

1. The purpose of an initiation fee is joining a community.
2. Each membership consists of a member and family members. Family members are immediate family, meaning spouse or children who live together or are dependent.
3. Membership is not transferrable, except between spouses. This means that a member cannot sell his or her boat in a manner that effectively transfers the club membership with the boat. It also means that once grown children no longer meet the definition of “family”, their independent (ie, non-guest) use of the club, would require that they pay a one-third initiation fee (currently that would be \$500).
4. The initiation fee for a boat/mooring that belongs to an individual or a family will be referred to as a base amount initiation fee. (Currently, this is \$1500)
5. Each mooring can have at most three memberships associated with it.
6. Each additional membership associated with a mooring requires a minimum additional initiation fee of \$500. This means that people who do not come within the description of “family” may become consortium members of the club, and associated with a particular boat/mooring, by paying $\frac{1}{3}$ of the amount of a full initiation fee. Currently, this would be \$500. This means that if there are two memberships associated with a mooring, there would have to be \$2000 in initiation fees paid in total. If there are three memberships associated with a mooring, there would have to be \$2500 in initiation fees paid in total.
7. When there are changes in the memberships associated with a boat/mooring, the paid-up value of initiation fees must always equal at least the base amount plus any additional consortium initiation fees as described in point #6. This means that if one person joins the club as an individual, and later adds two friends who each pay \$500, and the original person drops out, the two friends are collectively responsible to top the initiation fee up to \$2000.
8. Initiation fees are always credited to whomever paid them. By way of example under the current amounts, this means that if a person joins as a consortium member for \$500 and subsequently wishes to leave that consortium and bring his or her own boat into the club on a new mooring, he or she would only owe an additional \$1000.
9. The work hours for a boat/mooring that belongs to an individual or a family will be referred to as a base number of work hours. Currently this is 30 hours.

10. Each additional membership associated with a mooring will require an additional number of work hours, which is $\frac{1}{3}$ the base number of work hours. Under the current scheme for work hours, this means that each additional membership associated with a boat/mooring will add 10 hours ($\frac{1}{3}$ of 30) to the total number of work hours owed by that boat/mooring.
11. These rules for work hours will apply to all boats/moorings going forward. However, the rules for initiation fees will only apply to new memberships. Existing memberships will be addressed on a case by case basis with regard to their history with the club.
12. Any person who feels that the application of these rules results in unfairness or hardship can apply to the Board for exemption, and any person or member who takes issue with the Board's decision can seek to have the issue reviewed by the membership at large.

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