

**City of Gulfport Municipal Marina**  
Rules and Regulations

The City of Gulfport provides this Marina facility for the comfort, convenience, enjoyment, and peaceful rest and relaxation of its Marina tenants and for the safe berthing of their vessels. For the safety sake and standardization of Marina usage, all slip holders, their crew, and their guests are required to understand and abide by the following Rules and Regulations.

1. All boats must be registered (State of Mississippi and/or Federal Documentation) upon docking within the Marina.
2. All vessels berthed in the Marina must receive written assignment to a specific slip before docking.
3. All vessels docked within the Marina must fit fully into the slip and have sufficient room fore and aft to ensure lateral movement within the slip will not cause the vessel to (a) come into contact with the main dock or (b) to extend beyond the piles into the fairway.
4. If a vessel is too large for a given slip and cannot comply with the directives outlined in item 2 above, the owner will be asked to move it into the next largest and available slip and pay the rental rate in effect for the new slip. Boaters who fail to move to a larger slip within ten days of notification will face termination of their contract with the Marina.
5. Slip holders must maintain a current federal documentation and/or state registration for their vessel. Upon expiration, boat owners must provide a copy of the new (current) document to the Marina office for inclusion in their boat file.
6. Slip holders may not sublease their slips to anyone at any time.
7. Slip holders may not permit boats owned by others to occupy their slip without the expressed approval and knowledge of the Harbormaster.
8. In the event a vessel is sold or otherwise transferred to a new owner, the slip is not transferable to the new owner.
9. Slip holders may stay aboard their vessel for periods not to exceed five consecutive days, or a total of ten days in any 30-day period. Slip holders who exceed these limits are considered live aboards.
10. Living aboard – as defined above – is prohibited in the Marina.
11. Only slip holders, their family members, or their approved guests may stay on the vessel in accordance with item 9 above.
12. All vessels docked in the Marina must:
  - a. be operational and able to get underway under their own power at all times.
  - b. be consistently maintained in a clean, attractive, and ship shape fashion.
  - c. be seaworthy and able to maneuver under their own steerage.
  - d. Have on board – in the lowest part of the bilge – an operational and automatic bilge pump at all times.
  - e. Have their thru-hull fittings inspected and tested every month to ensure their ongoing integrity.
13. For the purpose of ensuring the safety, seaworthiness, and functional condition of vessels docked in the Marina, the Marina staff may, at the sole discretion and direction of the Harbormaster, board and inspect both topsides and below decks of any vessel at any time with or without owner permission.
14. Potable water is provided to each slip and must not be wasted under any circumstance. All slip holders shall furnish a suitable water hose and utilize a leak-free positive shut-off at the discharge end.
15. Slip holders may NOT – at any time – use the potable water supply for the purpose of providing cooling water to their onboard air conditioning systems.
16. All docks, walkways, finger piers, sidewalks, and deck areas must be kept clear of stored or excess materials at all times. Boaters are to use the provided dockboxes for the storage of excess materials.
17. Bicycles may neither be ridden nor stored on any dock, walkway, finger pier, sidewalk, or deck area within the confines of the Marina perimeter.
18. The Marina provides a dockbox for each slip and slip holders may therefore not install their own.
19. Slip holders may use only the dockbox assigned to their slip.

20. All water hoses, dock and tie lines, and power cords are to be coiled neatly, kept clean and serviceable, and stored in a manner where they do not encroach into the walkway of the main docks. Water hoses, tie lines, and power cords may not run across docks or walkways at any time.
21. Slip holders must use only serviceable, marine-grade, twist-lock shore power cords for connecting their vessel's electrical system to the provided shorepower stations.
22. Shorepower cords must be rated appropriately for either 30A (125V), 50A (120/240V), or 100A (240V) service and may not be altered for use in any other manner or to accommodate any other desired configurations. Approved "Y" adapters (two 30's to one 50) are permitted only if they are rated for the services identified above.
23. Household extension cords (below a rating of 30A) may never, under any circumstances, be plugged directly into any Marina-provided power center or pigtail converter. Boaters who need to use an extension cord may plug it only into their own vessel's power system to obtain power in that manner.
24. Charcoal or wood grills may not, under any circumstances, be utilized in any area – including onboard a vessel, on a deck, on the dock, on the sidewalks, or on the finger piers – within the confines of the Marina perimeter.
25. Liquid, gas vapor, propane, butane, or alcohol fueled cooking units are permitted only if properly secured to the vessel, properly vented, and are UL and marine approved.
26. The use of gas (propane) grills is permitted on the dock or deck areas ONLY with the expressed permission and knowledge of the Harbormaster. Grills of any sort may not be stored on the Marina's decks, docks, walkways, or finger piers.
27. When using grills of any sort as identified above, boaters must have within close proximity a minimum of a 2A10BC rated fire extinguisher with a current inspection tag.
28. The discharge of raw sewage and any other water contaminated by oil, fuel, or other regulated materials is prohibited. All permanently installed sewage systems and holding tanks must meet current federal and state regulations, or must be locked off while the vessel is docked. Port-O-Lets are not permitted to be dumped in the Marina restrooms.
29. Porta Potties or other similar devices may not be emptied into the Marina's waters or into any shoreside restroom within the confines of the Marina or Jones Park.
30. Holding tanks may not be pumped overboard. Boaters wishing to empty their holding tanks must use the pumpout services provided throughout the Marina on all docks and at the Fuel Dock.
31. Boaters may not place trash, (garbage, boxes, refuse, building debris, or other similar materials) on the docks but rather must carry all trash to the appropriate containers provided throughout the Marina and/or park area.
32. Repair, maintenance, or alteration of any and all dock facilities will be accomplished only by the Marina staff. Boaters wishing to make adjustments or additions to their docks, pilings, finger piers, or decking areas must first receive approval directly from the Harbormaster.
33. The extent of boat repairs and maintenance at dockside is at the discretion of the Harbormaster. Repair projects shall be limited to routine maintenance or minor repairs. Major repairs (complete engine overhauls, engine haul outs, mast removal/stepping, etc) are not permitted within the Marina at any time under any circumstance.
34. No fuel (gasoline or diesel) will be pumped aboard, transferred to, carried to, or poured into any vessel in the Marina except at the Fuel Dock using the approved dispensers located there.
35. Boats docked in the Marina shall conform to all federal and state regulations concerning boating safety devices and equipment.
36. Notices or signs are not permitted to be displayed on any vessels or Marina dock areas, buildings, or grounds without Harbormaster approval.
37. The feeding of birds from any boats or docks within the Marina is not permitted.
38. Boaters wishing to operate a commercial (charter, etc) operation may do so only from the approved commercial areas designated for the Marina.
39. Fishing is permitted only from a vessel – either docked or visiting the Marina – and is prohibited from all other areas within the Marina including docks, walkways, finger piers, decks, and sidewalks. The use of arrows, spear guns, firearms, and gaffs is prohibited at all times anywhere in the Marina, including from a docked or visiting vessel. Boaters who fish from their vessel may not interfere with or otherwise come in contact with neighboring boats tied nearby.

40. Fish cleaning is to be accomplished only at the provided fish cleaning stations. Carcasses may not be disposed of in the Marina's waters. All carcasses, regardless of species, are to be disposed of in the dumpster located near the boat launch.
41. Except for boaters who wish to clean the bottom of their boat within the slip, recreational swimming is prohibited in all waters of the Marina.
42. Small boats or dinghies are not permitted to be stored or operated under any Marina dock areas and may not co-occupy a slip without the knowledge and permission of the Harbormaster.
43. Dogs and cats are permitted only if they do not disturb others (barking, growling, spraying, wandering etc) and must be under leashed control at all times when on the docks, sidewalks, piers or any other area of the Marina.
44. Boat owners are expected to obtain and use their own lock for their assigned dockbox. To ensure the lids do not blow off, any dockbox found to be unlocked will be sealed with a Marina lock-tag.
45. Boaters are asked to keep all sliding gates providing access to the Marina's docks closed at all times.
46. Slip holders will be issued no more than two permanent Marina parking permits for available parking and must comply with the Marina's parking permit policy. The Marina reserves the right to limit and govern parking for special events, construction projects, and other similar circumstances. Boaters who have guests may obtain a nominal number of temporary parking passes from the Marina staff 24 hours a day. Vehicles that are not permitted – either permanent or temporary – may not use the areas reserved for the Marina's slip holders.
47. All vessels must be tied to the dock with line that is clean, rot-free, serviceable, and appropriate for the vessel size. In the event of differing opinions concerning any line issues, the Harbormaster will be the sole determiner and vessel owners will comply with his direction.
48. Vessel tie lines must have their "tag end" tied at the dock side and any "loop end" must be tied at the boat side. Doing so will enable the Marina staff to make adjustments from the dock in the event of storms and high winds, or in the event of excessively high or low water levels.
49. Vessel tie (dock) lines may only be tied to the round tie pilings or to the provided cleats. Lines may not be tied to the vertical 4" X 6" vertical fenders. Boaters are reminded that their main tie lines (bow and stern) are to be tied on the main wooden pilings and main cleats bolted to the concrete pilings. The cleats attached to the finger piers are intended ONLY as spring cleats for the purpose of controlling the vessel's movement forward and aft within the slip.
50. All paid contractors (divers, mechanics, detailers, electricians, A/C repair, etc) working on boats docked at the Marina must be licensed, properly insured, and must check in with the Marina office every time they enter the Marina's docks to perform work on any vessel docked in the Marina.
51. Boat owners may not provide access to private contractors who do not meet the requirements of item 50 above. However, unpaid friends, family members, or other unpaid individuals may perform work under the direct guidance and escort of the boat owner. These individuals do not need to check in at the Marina office when under the escort of the boat owner.
52. All vessels shall get underway – under their own power and own steerage – and depart their slip at least once per year.
53. Boat owners, their crew, and their guests are cautioned to be considerate of others. Behavior, conduct, noise, or other activities that may injure another party, cause damage to property, or disturb the peaceful rest and relaxation of other Marina boaters may lead to termination of the lease agreement.
54. All areas of the Marina – including the lager deck areas on Piers 1A, 1B, 1C, along the eastern periphery, and inside the railing along Pier 6 – is considered useable by all Marina tenants. Consequently, no slip holder may reserve, control, or otherwise take command of any given deck area at any given time without the expressed written permission of the Harbormaster.

By your signature below, you are providing your written agreement with the rules, procedures, and regulations outlined in paragraphs 1 through 54 herin.

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BOAT OWNER (Printed Name)

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BOAT OWNER (Signature)

Slip # \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_