



THE DARIEN BOAT CLUB

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New Rules and Procedures to Mitigate Covid-19

Attn. DBC Members:

As the club prepares to open the facility and services for use this summer the Board has created several new rules and procedures to mitigate the spread of Covid-19 and keep the membership as safe as possible. The following rules and procedures go into effect immediately.

New Covid-19 Rules

- All members and guests are required to follow state and local safety guidelines while at the Club.
- Physical distancing will be strictly enforced, maintain a distance of 6 feet between individuals.
- Members are responsible for their own sanitization procedures. The Club will clean hand rails and other common touch points but the Club cannot guarantee that they will be sanitized between individual uses.
- Consistent with current government regulations, members, staff and guests should wear face masks when on Club premises when Social Distancing is not possible.
- The restrooms are NOT open to members, so please plan your Club visit appropriately.
- Per DEEP rules no more than 5 people per boat, and they should only be from the same household
- There is no rafting of boats. This will be enforced by the Darien Police Marine Division.

Use of Deck

- The deck will remain closed until further notice. There will be no furniture on the deck and we ask that all social distancing rules are followed.
- No eating, drinking, grilling, gathering, etc. at DBC until officially opened by the DBC Board.
- No use of personal deck chairs on deck until officially opened by the DBC Board.

Launch Operation

- The Launch will only take 1 passenger to a single boat for each round-trip. I.e. the Launch will need to return to the dock after each drop off/pick up to take on new passengers. In addition, there is only 1 person permitted on the launch for any trip to maintain social distancing.
- Boat operators will need to return to the dock to pick up passengers before departing.
- The Launch operator will wear gloves.
- The Launch operator will wipe down surfaces with disinfectant prior to each launch ride. Please keep in mind some of these cleaners may contain bleach and could damage clothing.

Use of Docks

- DBC policy is to not “hang out” on your boat while it sits in the boat slip. It is permitted to have one person on the boat while moored to work on the boat. It is the expectation that once you get on your boat you will go out into the sound.
- Water hoses for cleaning boats are shared. It is expected you wear gloves to protect your fellow members.
- When walking on the docks, please respect fellow members and allow adequate space for social distancing particularly when passing.

Fueling Procedures

- DBC Members will still pump their own gas, but must have gloves. Gloves are the responsibility of the member to provide.
- Gas is only available to DBC membership.
- Due to a higher level of traffic at the gas dock (fuel and launch drop off/pick up), there will be no washing of boats permitted on the gas docks.
- Also keep in mind with the higher level of traffic at the gas dock we need people to be patient as we learn new best practices.

The board is imposing these rules to facilitate a safer Darien Boat Club where all members feel safe using the club. We consider these rules a new requirement to continue to operate the club. Any members or their guest that do not follow these rules are subject to fines and potential loss of membership.

The Darien Boat Club Board