

New Rules for Union Wharf Lobster Basin Slips

Adopted by a vote of the Board of Selectmen

On May 12, 2014

1. People having slips may only have a person with another slip at the Union Wharf Lobster Basin use their slip if they are not using their slip with the approval of the Harbormaster. Approval must be obtained before any use.
2. Slip holders cannot sub-lease their slips.
3. Slip holders must register a primary vessel to their slip. If they own a second vessel they may place that vessel in that slip if approved by the Harbormaster. Approval must be obtained before a second vessel is put in place.
4. Vessel to be approved must be registered to the slip owner. Actively fishing and have proof of pollution and liability insurance at the proper levels and show proof thereof to the Harbormaster.
5. If a slip holder wishes to use another vessel for a short period due to maintenance issues and or workability issues they may only do so with the approval of the Harbormaster. All approved vessels must have pollution and liability insurance at proper levels. Proof thereof must be shown to the Harbormaster. All Approved vessels must be used by the slip owner requesting use of their slip and not another person. This period of approval will be in 14 day increments. Any extension of that period is subject to approval of the Harbormaster. Proof of need must be provided by the requesting party.
6. All requests for approval must be submitted to the Harbormaster at a minimum of 24hrs. before the event not counting weekends.
7. All vessels using the Union Wharf Lobster Basin **South** facing slips must dock stern in. The stern must be able to back in to a distance no greater than 2 feet from the dock at the stern.
8. All vessels must dock in their assigned slips in such a manner as the vessel will not interfere with the operation of other vessels using Union Wharf Lobster Basin slips. This include town owned vessels using the finger docks at Union Wharf.
9. All vessels that are to be docked at the Union Wharf Lobster Basin slips must be approved by the Harbormaster without exception. The Harbormaster shall consider the rules and regulations as established for the Union Wharf Lobster Basin. However in addition to the rules and regulation the Harbormaster must consider the effect of the vessel on the daily operation of other vessels using Union Wharf Lobster Basin slips including town owned vessels using the docks. This includes beam of the vessel the draft of the vessel regardless of its length. In addition the Harbormaster must assess the wear tear effect on the slip in regards to size of the vessel and the size of the slip being used. The ability of the vessel to properly utilize the slip in regards to its ability to properly

dock in the slip in regard to overhang past the dock is a major factor. If the Harbormaster determines that the vessel is detrimental to the dock site and or the daily operation in the Union Wharf lobster Basin he/she may not allow the vessel to use the slip. This is a subjective evaluation by the Harbormaster and if the vessel is denied use of the slip the Harbormaster must explain in writing the reason(s) why it was denied.

10. Length limits are determined by the overall length and not at the waterline. If there is a question of length the Harbormaster and or his agents must be allowed to go aboard to measure the overall length of the vessel.

