



BY-LAWS OF THE OUTBOARD BOATING CLUB

Updated: December 2020

A Club Official is defined as:

- a. A member of the current executive
- b. The Club CEO
- c. A duly authorised executive appointee

The facilities of our Club are for the full use and convenience of our large and growing membership and in order to ensure that the fullest and fairest use is made of them your Committee expects the co-operation of all members in carrying out the following instructions.

These By-Laws are made by the Executive Committee in accordance with clause 23 of the Constitution of the Club.

1. Application for Membership

A person wishing to join the OBC must attend a New Members Orientation. The application form must be completed and fees paid. A proposer and a seconder are required. These must be current members.

The new member must present their boat for a Safety Equipment Inspection within 60 days. Safety items required for the check are listed on the OBC website.

2. Recreational use only

The use of all the Club facilities shall be limited at all times to recreational boating and ancillary activities and all commercial or industrial uses or activities are prohibited.

3. Compulsory and Recommended Items of Equipment

The compulsory items of equipment to be carried at all times and the recommended items to be carried, on a member's vessel are set out in the various OBC Vessel Safety Inspection Forms.

Separate safety inspection forms have been compiled for different vessel types and are appended to these By-Laws.

Note: From time to time the OBC Executive Committee updates the various OBC Vessel Safety Inspection Forms. Members should refer to the latest version of the OBC Vessel Safety Inspection Form relevant to their vessel.

4. Code of Conduct

All members shall conform to the Code of Conduct as amended by the Executive Committee from time to time. Failure to adhere to the Code of Conduct may result in an enquiry into the conduct of a member or his/ her guests. The enquiry will follow the process set out in clause 22 of the Constitution.

5. Jet Ski

Jet skis at the OBC are subject to the following restrictions:

- a) Stand-up single person type jet skis are not allowed.
- b) Jet skis are only permitted to launch or retrieve from the Eastern Ramps.
- c) Registration number to be displayed on jet ski and trailer instead of name on boat and trailer



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6. Name of Member

Members shall state their name and address when called upon to do so by any Club Official who will identify themselves as such.

7. OBC Safety Equipment and Handling Checklist

All vessels operating from the OBC must comply with the relevant safety equipment and handling checklist.

8. Identification

No vessel or trailer may enter upon, or use the Marina, Ramps or Jetties unless they have the current identification stickers affixed as follows (unless this is a matter of safety):

- a) Boats: On the Port side of the front windscreen.
- b) Trailers: On the left-hand side of the drawbar.
- c) Car: On the left-hand side of the windscreen.
- d) Marina Parking holders must clearly display their Marina parking permit.

9. Gate

After entering or leaving the Club grounds during the hours of darkness all users must SHUT the gate to keep unauthorised persons out.

10. Dinghies

Ordinary members who are using the facilities for the launching of dinghies for the purpose of transporting personnel and stores to their launch are permitted to delegate this task to crew members for the above stated purpose.

11. Partners

Partners of Ordinary members have full usage rights of the Clubhouse.

12. Visitors

Members are responsible for the conduct of their visitors to ensure the Rules, By-Laws and Code of Conduct of the Club.

13. Access Control

The Key Cards remain the property of the OBC. Key Cards must be returned to OBC office if a member resigns from the Club.

Key cards must not be given to any non-member.

Under no circumstances will a boat/ trailer be permitted to leave the Club grounds unless the member's Key Card is used or, the member has notified OBC operations in writing beforehand giving authority.

14. Preparation of Trailer Boats

All trailer boats must be loaded and prepared for launching in designated areas prior of entering the ramp for launching.

15. Parking

Operational staff may allocate parking.

- a) Operations staff on the day will decide depending on congestion to restrict non-member parking
- b) Members take priority over visitors



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- c) Public Launching will take priority over visitors provided they have previously completed vessel inspection.
- d) Members who have a hardstand must always return their trailer to their designated hardstand.
- e) Designated parking areas are identified:
 - i. Yellow lines = allocated parking for hardstand occupiers only
 - ii. Blue lines = marina parking permits holders only
 - iii. White lines = day member boat/trailer parking

16. Vehicle Speed

For safety reasons the maximum vehicle speed in the Club grounds is 20 kph.

17. Mooring

No boat may be left on the above piers for a period of more than four days without the further authority of the Club CEO or OBC Operations.

Club Pier – directly in front of the Clubhouse. Must moor bow first.

A Pier – Reserve for smaller vessels. Outboards must not protrude into the waterway. This is a first in first come basis. Overnight only, unless approved by operations staff.

Pollard Pier – Public launching and general members short term mooring only.

18. Boat Speed and Channel Navigation

Boats must not create a wake inside the OBC waterway. All vessels arriving and departing OBC Marina must leave the yellow buoy to port.

19. Club Pennant

The Club Pennant must be flown at all times when a member's boat is at sea under the control of the Club Member during daylight hours.

20. Wash Bays

Please observe directional arrows and the bays must not be occupied for more than 5 minutes if others are waiting to use them. Fire hoses installed on the marina piers must not be used for hosing down boats.

Note, water restrictions may apply from time to time.

21. Re-Fuelling

The decanting of fuel for any purpose, whether refueling or for any other reason, is strictly prohibited in the following areas:

- a) The OBC Jetties and on all OBC Marinas.
- b) The basin area and channel adjacent to the Clubhouse.
- c) Anywhere in the Club grounds.

22. Storage

Dinghies may only be stored in the club dinghy rack. These are available to hire.

23. Dogs

All dogs, owned or in the charge of a member or the guests of a member shall while on the Club grounds or marina be led by a chain, lead, strap or similar efficient restraint.



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A member or guest of a member, in charge of any dog on the Club grounds, Marina or environs shall immediately clean up any excrement of that dog.

24. Children

For safety reasons parents must supervise children at all times.

25. Swimming & Fishing

No swimming, fishing or diving or engage in any other underwater activities within the Club complex.

Any diving in the marina must have prior approval from Operations Manager.

26. Public Walkway

The club is required to specifically designate a public walkway. This is clearly marked by green footprints from the main entry. Members of the public must keep within this designated walkway and are not permitted beyond the associated signage at the toilet block and far eastern ramp.

27. Noise Nuisance

A member shall ensure that all halyards, lines, rope, rigging and sheets on any boat using the Club complex and under control of the member are secured so that they do not create any noise.

A member shall ensure that any amplifiers do not create a nuisance to other members or neighboring residential areas.

28. Maintenance

Major boat maintenance, scraping of boat hulls and anti-fouling is not permitted on the Club grounds.

29. Alcohol

Consumption of alcoholic beverages is only permitted in the club house or on private vessels.

30. Smoking

The OBC is a smoke free site. This specifically includes the Clubhouse. The purpose of this By-Law is to ensure that OBC meets the requirements of the Smoke Free Environments Act (1990) in order to protect the health and safety of our staff and all visitors to the site.

31. Use of Club Machinery

No person shall operate any Club machinery unless they have received instruction on safe use from the Operations Manager.

Compliance with the Club's Health and Safety policy is mandatory.

No OBC equipment to be removed from premises.

32. Compliance

Members and guests must comply with all club rules, by laws and policies.