



Town of Yarmouth
Office of the Harbor Master
200 Main Street
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Rules for Shared Dinghy Use

1. Must sign a waiver annually before participating in program.
2. Must be 18 years-of-age or older; no passengers allowed. Minors are not allowed in dinghies.
3. Must carry / wear a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) in accordance with State Law.
The Town does not provide PFDs or other safety equipment.
4. There is a 30-minute time limit per dinghy.
5. Must ensure that the dinghy is returned to the assigned float, emptied of personal property, and is properly tied.
6. Must not leave dinghy on a mooring.
7. Must immediately report any damage to a dinghy to the Harbor Master or police department.
8. Must not affix any mechanical propulsion device to a Town-owned dinghy.
9. Dinghies are exclusively for the accessing of boats on moorings and are not to be used for any other purpose.
10. Please report any damage or missing equipment to the Harbor Master at (207) 846-2412

Any violation of the above rules by you, your family, or your guests may result in the revocation of your permission to use a Town-owned dinghy.

Per Order of the Harbor Master

Will Owen



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Shared Dinghy Release Form

Mooring # _____

In consideration, and as a condition, of my use of the Town of Yarmouth's shared dinghy / dinghies made available to permitted mooring holders at the Town of Yarmouth Madeleine Point waterfront facility, I hereby acknowledge and agree as follows:

1. My use of the Shared Dinghy to access a Town of Yarmouth permitted mooring is voluntary and is not being done at the direction of any Town of Yarmouth officer or employee.
2. I am aware of the risks associated with the recreational use of vessels in coastal waters including, but not limited to, the risk of injury from adverse weather conditions, collision, capsizing, falling overboard, being trapped under the vessel after capsizing, and the impact with equipment.
3. I understand that the Town of Yarmouth urges all Shared Dinghy users to wear a life preserver and that it is my responsibility to provide, and utilize, a life preserver or other approved flotation device in the manner prescribed by the manufacturer of such safety equipment.
4. To my knowledge, I have no physical or medical condition that would endanger me or others if I utilize the Shared Dinghy.
5. I have read and will comply with the Rules of the Town of Yarmouth Shared Dinghy Usage.
6. I assume the risk and complete responsibility for my use of the Shared Dinghy including, without limitation, the responsibility for knowing how to use the boat, for checking its proper functioning before each use, and for utilizing the recommended safety equipment. I further understand that no responsibility is assumed by the Town of Yarmouth, its Town Council, Town Councilors, Committees, agents or employees and professional capacities (individually and collectively "Releases").
7. I acknowledge that any instruction in the use of the Shared Dinghy or in proper boating techniques provided by anyone on behalf of the Town of Yarmouth is being provided without charge to me and carries with it no guarantee of correctness.
8. I recognize that, despite all precautions on my part and on the part of the Releases, there are risks of physical injury which can occur because of my use of the Shared Dinghy in coastal waters, and I EXPRESSLY ASSUME SUCH RISKS AND HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, HOLD HARMLESS AND PROMISE TO INDEMNIFY THE RELEASEES, THEIR REPRESENTATIVES, SUCCESSORS, HEIRS, AND ASSIGNS, FROM AND AGAINST ALL RIGHTS AND CLAIMS, INCLUDING CLAIMS ARISING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY FROM THE RELEASEES' OWN NEGLIGENCE, WHICH I HAVE OR WHICH MAY HEREAFTER ACRUE TO ME, AND ANY AND ALL DAMAGES THAT MAY BE SUSTAINED BY ME DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN CONNECTION WITH, OR ARISING OUT OF, MY USE OF THE SHARED DINGHY.

CAUTION: READ BEFORE SIGNING

Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____ Date: _____