

BOAT LAUNCH FACILITY

There are fees required for use of the Town of Yarmouth boat launch facility located off Old Shipyard Road. That schedule is as follows:

LAUNCH & PARKING FEES

Unless otherwise noted, fees include parking.

Non-Commercial (residents and non-residents)

Seasonal Launch - Boat:	\$ 200
Seasonal Launch - Canoe/Kayak:	100
Seasonal Daily Daytime Parking Permit (<u>no launches</u>):	100
Seasonal Licensed Commercial Clam Harvester:	150
Daily Parking Permit (<u>no launches</u>):	10
Daily Launch - Boat:	20
Daily Launch - Canoe & Kayak:	10
Book of 10 Boat Launches:	200
Per Each Overnight Parking w/ Harbormaster Permission:	10

Commercial Haulers (private and boatyards)

Seasonal Registration - <u>Per Each Hauling Vehicle</u> (no ramp fee)	\$ 600
Daily Ramp Use Fee Without Season Pass (limit 2 per season)	100

Commercial use of the Town Landing Ramp is restricted to non-holiday weekdays from June 15 to Oct 1 except with permission of the Harbor Master 48 hours in advance.

MOORING FEES

Royal River Mooring Area

Royal River – Resident / Non-Resident Marina	\$ 200
Resident / Non-Resident Senior Citizen	500
Commercial Fishermen	100
	150

All Other Waters of Yarmouth

Resident-Mooring (Defined as an individual or individuals whose primary residence is located in Yarmouth or who are property taxpayers in the Town of Yarmouth.)	\$ 200
Non-resident Mooring Marina	\$ 300
Resident-Senior Citizen	500
Non-Resident Senior Citizen	100
Resident Commercial Fishermen	200
Non-Resident Commercial Fishermen	150
	250

Our collective goal is to provide a safe and enjoyable Harbor and Waterfront for all our residents and visitors. We encourage boaters to take advantage of the many safe boating courses and navigation courses offered in the area. Always check the weather conditions and leave a trip plan with someone ashore.

When using the launch facility, please use the designated make-ready area prior to launching. Power loading is prohibited.

Tie up time on any Town of Yarmouth wharf, float, dock, or pier is for no more than 30 minutes, except with special permission of the Harbor Master.

For any assistance, please call the Yarmouth Police Department at (207) 846-2412, in cases of emergency dial 9-1-1. For any additional information, please visit the Town's website. www.yarmouth.me.us

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Enjoy the season safely & responsibly.

Town of Yarmouth, Maine Harbor Rules and Regulations



All Yarmouth waters, including the harbor, all public shore facilities and public access points come under the direction of the Yarmouth Harbor Master as authorized by the Town of Yarmouth and the State of Maine.

Duties of the Harbor Master include, but are not limited to, enforcing Town of Yarmouth ordinances, Maine and Federal laws, and the rules regulating moorings, boating safety, operation and public conduct within the harbor area, and other waters of the Town.

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MOORING REGULATIONS

The mooring and anchoring of all boats in the tidal waters of the Town of Yarmouth shall be governed, regulated and controlled by the Town and no person or persons shall moor or cause to be moored therein boats of any description except in conformity with the rules and regulations established therefore by the Municipal Officers.

All mooring applications for existing moorings must be received **complete on or before April 15th** for processing through the Yarmouth Police Department at 178 North Road. A \$50 late fee per mooring will be assessed after April 15th. Moorings expire on May 15th and may be reissued after that date. Separate applications for each mooring must be accompanied by a copy of the boat registration or documentation certificate for the current season. Multiple moorings in the same area must list different boats. Application is accessible through **onlinemooring.com** or by link at the Town of Yarmouth Police Department website.

The Harbor Master will make all mooring assignments in *ALL YARMOUTH WATERS* for which a mooring plan has been established, except areas within the Federal Navigational Project, on a “first come, first served” basis in accordance with the following priorities: (The annual application for mooring renewal shall specify the person’s category.)

- * Property owners with real estate abutting the waters immediately adjacent to the proposed mooring location pursuant to Title 38 Chapter 1.
- * Resident commercial fishermen
- * Resident non-commercial
- * Non-resident commercial fishermen
- * Non-resident seasonal property owner
- * Other non-resident non-taxpayer

WAIT LIST APPLICATIONS must be renewed annually by April 15th. All notifications that fees are due as well as any information will be by email. Failure to remit the appropriate fee will result in the applicant being removed from the Wait List.

Previously dropped re-applicants will be placed at the bottom of the list.

Moorings tenders/dinghies must have owner’s name and mooring number on transom. Recreational dinghies must not exceed 10’ overall length. Commercial dinghies must not exceed 14’ overall length. Unlabeled dinghies will be removed.

All moorings shall be inspected every two years, either by the mooring owner or by a mooring service company. All moorings shall be in safe condition before being placed in any Yarmouth anchorage. A list of recommended mooring tackle specifications is available upon request.

Each mooring will be assigned an identification number which must be marked legibly on the mooring buoy by using numerals at least 3” in height. All mooring buoys shall be white and have a blue horizontal stripe. They must be of sufficient size and buoyancy to remain afloat when not attached to the vessel. Log moorings will be allowed **ONLY between October 1st and June 1st.**

Neglected, abandoned, unauthorized or deficient moorings (including, but not limited to, unpaid fees, incorrectly placed or unassigned locations) shall be moved or removed by, or under the direction of, the Harbormaster. Any expense incurred will be borne by the owner.

All mooring assignments shall be used exclusively for the personal use of the applicant who must be the registered boat owner and solely for the boat listed on the application. No guest moorings, leasing, subleasing, or assignment of moorings or mooring numbers is allowed. A mooring assigned and not set for a period of one season, as determined by the Harbor Master, shall be deemed abandoned.

OPERATION OF VESSELS

Speed and Wake

No person shall drive or operate any boat or vessel in the mooring areas of Yarmouth, for which a mooring plan has been established, in such a manner as to cause a wash, wake or wakes that disturb or damage any wharf, float, anchored or moored dock, boat or vessel or at a speed that endangers any person or property. **Boaters are always responsible for any damage or injury caused by their wake.**

Water Skiing

No person shall operate a boat towing a surfboard, water skis, ***inflated inner tube***, or similar device within a mooring area. Towed person(s) must wear a personal flotation device.

Alcohol

It is against Maine law to consume intoxicating liquor in any public place. This pertains to all facilities belonging to the Town of Yarmouth, including but not limited to, all properties, docks, floats, and picnic areas.

Title 38 section 284. Operation Under the Influence of Drugs or Liquor: *Whomever operates any watercraft, vessel, water skis, surfboard, similar device or motorboat, however propelled, upon the tidewaters of any municipality or upon any of the offshore waters within the jurisdiction of the State while intoxicated or under the influence of any narcotic, shall be guilty of a class E crime.*

**Compliance is Mandatory,
Per Order of Will Owen, Harbor Master**