

## NFYC Policies and Procedure (Updated 4/12/2018)

### Article I: Membership

Divorced members may each continue their membership if they choose. They will decide between them which one will retain the current member seniority number, for example #9 and #10. Splitting a current member seniority number is a privilege provided by the club, this number can only be split once. In the event of any future divorce, divorced members may each continue their membership if they choose. They will decide between them which one will retain the current member seniority number; the other will receive the next available open member number, for example #9 and #138.  
(2/8/2018)

Membership cards will be issued to each member each year.  
(8/7/2006)

Applications for new members will be considered at the monthly board of directors meeting in the months of May, August, and November. (2014).

A copy of the club Statement of Purpose will be given to each new member. (02/07/2006)

Printed copy of the bylaws and club rules will be given to each new member (02/07/2006)

#### Honorary Members:

Neil Doten	(5/24/78)
Doug and Maurine Averill	(1986 membership list)
Steve and Sandy Sevener	(1986 membership list)
Cy Mendelsohn	(1976)
Harry E. Cheff	(1976)
Glen Kartheiser	(1976)
Cliff Schellinger	(1976)
Chuck and Carla Underwood	(1997)
Gene Jellison	(1997)
Don and Jessie Haring	(1998)
Steve Nichols	

Gunther Vople	(2006)
Kathy Mercord	(2007)
Tom and Sue Harding	(4/2008)
Gary and Erin Harding	(4/2008)
Jim Lekander	(5/2008)
Al Johnson	(2017)

A child of a member in good standing, in order to retain membership in the club, shall file an application and pay the full dues, fees and assessments as established by the board of directors, within 90 days of April 1<sup>st</sup> of the year following their marriage or 25<sup>th</sup> birthday, whichever comes first. The club is not required to notify the young adult of the deadline. (4/4/2006)

Junior membership dues will be \$150.00. All moneys collected from Junior Membership dues will be earmarked for exclusive use of the sailing education program. (6/1/2006)

Junior members under the age of 16 must have a parent or guardian in attendance at all times while at the club. Junior members age 16-18 shall have an adult member or parent/guardian present and directly responsible for them while at the club.

Guests of junior members shall be limited to immediate family members only.

Tiered Membership (7-6-2011)

Members can be accepted and choose to pay in installments as follows:

Year 1

Payment 1: \$1000

Payment 2: \$500

Year 2

Payment 1: \$500

Payment 2: \$750

All payments are due April 1<sup>st</sup> or October 1<sup>st</sup> depending on when the person joins.

There is a 10% surcharge for making payments.

If a payment is missed then subject to bylaws the tiered member is dropped from the club.

The member does not receive a membership number until they have paid in full.

Tiered members are allowed to have slips and must make all payments as required (by May 1<sup>st</sup>).

Tiered member is allowed mast up parking.

## Article II: Meetings

A \$75 donation will be billed with dues. This voluntary donation is asked in lieu of participation at the work parties. (8/7/2006)

## Article III: Order of Business

## Article IV: Officers and Directors

## Article V: Elections

## Article VI: Meetings of Directors

## Article VII: Duties of Officers

## Section III

On or about 12/1, the building will be winterized. On or about 4/1, the water will be turned back on.(12/11/1990) (April 2016)

## Section V

The club treasurer shall maintain the books of the club. An informal audit shall be performed each time the club treasurer changes, audit to be performed by 3 club members appointed by the commodore who are not members of the board. (12/05/2005)

## Article VIII: Committees

### Section 1:

Race Committee is responsible for trophies (9/6/78).

Women's races will be all-women crews. No exceptions! (5/14/80).

The position of club historian is established as a permanent office (1976).

A New Projects Committee was initiated (1/20/04)

A Handicapping Committee was established. The chairperson will represent NFYC to the Northern Rockies Sailing Association. (9/15/04).

## Article IX: Privileges

Pet Policy (3-18-2009):

Pets must be supervised and on leashes while on club property.

Owners are to pick up after their pets. Special concerns are:

- \*During busy times such as Regattas dogs are discouraged

- \*Barking or aggressive dogs are not welcome.

- \*Dogs may not be left unattended for extended periods.

Dogs may be temporarily off leash for swimming IF under voice control. Members are responsible for their own pets and those of their guests. Infractions will result in a \$25 fine. Third offense will result in banishment of pet. Complaints may be submitted to committee member using "pet compliant form".

First slip on C dock and the first slip on the south side of B dock will be reserved for the committee boats. (07/06/2006)

One campfire area only (1976).

Members may live on their boats provided they are exceptionally neat (4/1980).

Yacht club facilities will be available to Sea Scouts Program (2/4/82).

In exchange the Sea Scouts will help the club with clean-up projects (2/26/82).

Subletting slips will be controlled on a seniority basis (5/16/1985).

Members with boats must submit proof of insurance with their dues or lose boat access and privileges (1/20/2004)

The Junior Program participant's guardian must sign a waiver. An adult member must be present. Members and guests may participate in Junior Sailing. (5/15/04)

No camping allowed on club property by non-members unless they are here as participants in a club sanctioned event. (8/15/2005)

Trailers must be moved to the storage area the day the boat goes into its slip (8/15/2005).

The club will purchase triangular dock boxes in quantity. Members may only install new dock boxes purchased from the club. (07/06/2006)

Triangular dock boxes which have previously been installed may be reinstalled provided they are in good repair. (07/06/2006)

Special Events: To be followed for non-club related use of the club's facilities; such as parties, weddings, meetings, etc. Club activities such as races, regattas take priority over all requests for extra-curricular activities. If alcohol is served, must be by a licensed caterer.

1. Application must be submitted to the board. Member must sign the application and be present during the function.
2. Sign a hold-harmless form.
3. Pay a Use Fee: \$50 for up to 25 people; \$100 for 25-75 people. This fee is to help defray the cost of utilities, propane used, clean up.

(5/5/2008)

Reciprocal privileges are granted to members South Flathead Sailing Association or slip holders at Dayton Yacht Harbor. (8/7/2006)

North Flathead Yacht Club welcomes any non-member sailor, who sails their sailboat to our club, to use our facilities for not more than three (3) consecutive days within a given month. They must notify a board member or the race steward of their presence at the time of arrival. Non-member sailors who wish to stay longer (up to a maximum of two weeks) must obtain written permission from the board of directors prior to arrival. This policy does not apply to any entrant of a club sponsored Regatta. (4/13/2017)

## Article X: Yachts

### Section 1:

If a boat is multi-owned, all owners must be members (6/7/76)

At least 1/2 inch line is required for dock lines on all boats. Dock line must be nylon; snubbers or springs are required. (8/15/2005)

The original buy-sell agreement of the property purchase stated the facility will be used for sailboats only (1976).

Use of the committee boat is limited to the steward, club officers and persons acting with their permission (2/17/83).

Any boat left at the yacht club that has not paid a slip fee will be billed for mast up parking summer and winter. A 30-day grace period will be extended to members selling their boats. These fees will be billed with next year's membership fees. (9/15/1994, modified 8/15/2005)

"For Sale" signs on boats will be allowed, no larger than 8.5" by 11", limit 2 on a boat. No member may have more than 1 boat for sale on club property. (8/15/2005)

A sponsorship policy for races will be developed in writing by the race committee (4/13/04)

The board will purchase 10 red dock lines and snubbers to be used to secure boats without snubbers, and the boat owners will be assessed a \$100 fee if they are used. (9/15/04)

Yachts or attached equipment may not extend into the main walkway (2/7/2006)

Power Boats, (non-sail boats) and personal watercraft are not allowed to launch, store or retrieve at the clubs boat launches. Violation of said rule is a fine of \$100. (7/7/2008)

Power Boats: Members may keep a power boat in a slip at the club if they also have a sail boat in a slip at the club. (7/11/2012)

All vessels are required to comply with current Montana State Regulations pertaining to Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS). Vessels transported from outside the Flathead River Basin shall document AIS inspection clearance prior to use of NFYC ramp and dock facilities and/or participating in NFYC sponsored races and events. Notice of this shall be clearly sated on the club website, bulletin board, and race documents. (5/11/2017)

Maximum boat length in any slip has to be at least 2 feet less than the dock, subject to Article 9 section 6 of the bylaws. Policy may be waived by board approval. (4/12/2018)

Any boat over 8000# displacement must have at least one spring line with a proper snubber to compensate for wave motion from the south. (4/12/2018)

#### Article XI: Flag

The club will purchase flags for each club officer and Fleet Captain. Each club officer and Fleet Captain will pass his/her flag on to his/her successor, except for the Past Commodore, who will be allowed to keep the flag permanently. Flags should be transferred at the annual meeting. (2/7/2006)

#### Article XII: Financial and Membership Commitment

Dues will not be accepted without proof of insurance. (10/5/2004)

Checks exceeding \$1000 will require the signature of 2 officers.  
(08/15/2005)

Initiation fees must be included with a new member application. The treasurer will bill for dues and fees after the member is accepted.  
(8/15/2005)

The board is responsible to approve an operational budget by 31 January each year. (10/05)

The fee for Mast-Up parking shall be \$200 for boats longer than 20 feet. (January 2016)

The fee for slips on the north side of A dock shall be \$900 per season (January 2016)

New members who take a small slip (26' slip) the first year of their membership shall receive a \$150 reduction in dock fee for that year only (January 2016)

If a member keeps a dingy (or other small boat) within the space of their paid boat slip and do not store it anywhere on the hard or the dock, then there is no charge for that dingy (or other small boat). If a member puts it in a rack or anywhere else on the grounds, then the member must pay for it (summer or winter). (October 2016)

Members cannot store dingy's, kayaks, SUPs, canoes, etc. in a slip unless they have paid for that slip. (October 2016)

Members can rent one dingy rack spot and store more than one kayak, dingy, SUP, canoe, etc. within that space, as long they reasonably fit within that space. (October 2016)

### Article XIII: Sailing Rules and Regulations

### Article XIV: Cash Reserve Fund



Paving the parking lot was proposed in 2011. A vote was taken by ballots at the annual meeting (11-16-2011) to do only general maintenance of the parking lot at work parties rather than paving or re-grading.

Article XV: Amendment of the By-Laws

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Minutes reviewed:

1975-April 2018